

Mom can't stop baby talking with grown son and girlfriend

DEAR ABBY: I'm 32 and have been dating my boyfriend, "Jerome," for five years. We both have successful careers and lives of our own. However, when we visit his family who live in the area, I'm subjected to "baby talk" from his mother. She's a wonderful woman who loves her family dearly, but she can't seem to converse with any of us without pitching her voice up an octave and talking in sentences as if we are 5 years old.

In addition, she insists on calling her son every day to ask how his day is going or check on him if he hasn't been feeling well, again with a baby voice. I am at my wit's end. Jerome has addressed the issue several times with her and his father, but it never gets better. His father says that's who she is, and it won't change.



DEAR ABBY

What would respect his privacy more: if I don't touch the film, or if I flip it over to hide the spine?

—SURPRISED GUEST

DEAR SURPRISED: Put the DVD in a drawer and make a note on your calendar to yourself to replace it where it was before your host returns from his trip.

DEAR ABBY: My daughter is on her third marriage to a pretty nice guy, but she's also in regular contact with her first husband by text, email and phone. And now, her present husband is also in contact with an ex-girlfriend (hanging out, having lunch, etc.). What part of this picture am I not getting?

—SUSPICIOUS MOM AND IN-LAW IN ARIZONA

DEAR SUSPICIOUS: I'd say your vision is 20/20 or better. If your daughter's track record holds, marriage No. 3 is in the ninth inning, and the "players" are about to strike out.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 28-year-old man with a serious drinking problem. I function normally at work, but I have no real life outside of work or drinking.

I tried AA, but didn't feel comfortable in an organization that emphasizes God as part of the path to sobriety. I am desperate to find a way to recover, but I feel helpless. Please point me in the right direction.

—ADDICTED IN KANSAS CITY, MO.

DEAR ADDICTED: Because for the reason you stated, Alcoholics Anonymous isn't for you, I'm glad to offer secular alternatives. The first is SMART Recovery, a four-point program that encourages motivation to abstain and provides help in coping with cravings, managing negative emotions and finding a healthy life balance.

SMART Recovery offers face-to-face support groups worldwide as well as online meetings. Its goal, like AA, is lifetime abstinence, and its meetings and help are also free. Unlike AA, lifetime attendance at meetings is not required. To find more information, visit smartrecovery.org.

Another resource is Secular Organizations for Sobriety (also known as Save Our Selves). You will find a list of meetings at sossobriety.org.

His parents now wonder why I seem so unhappy when I'm around them and think I don't like them. But I'm just tired of the disrespect, and I don't like that they expect me to accept the baby talk. Please help.

—ALL GROWN UP IN HOUSTON

DEAR ALL GROWN UP: I am inclined to agree with your boyfriend's father. This is the way his wife is.

Part of the problem may be that you are complaining to the wrong people about the way she talks to you. Because you seem unable to change the way you feel, and it's affecting how you behave toward your boyfriend's parents, tell HER as diplomatically as possible that you feel disrespected when she uses baby talk with you. It's better than sulking, which may be why they think you don't like them — and appears to be half-true.

DEAR ABBY: I have had an internship in a new city this summer. My dad's friend has kindly allowed me to stay in his home while he's away on a long vacation. He told me I can watch his movies, use his TV, and even have friends visit and sleep on the couch. I am very grateful for his generosity.

He left for his vacation in a rush, and at eye-level on the DVD shelf he has a pornographic movie. I have nothing morally against it, but I think it's something he would be uncomfortable with me seeing.

A friend is coming to visit me next week, and I don't know what to do about the DVD.

McCain to be buried near friend at Naval Academy

By Laurie Kellman
The Associated Press

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — It will be a fitting final resting place for a man who prized military service, cherished friendship and had little patience for formalities.

Sen. John McCain, the Arizona Republican who died Saturday of brain cancer, will be buried on a grassy hill at the U.S. Naval Academy Cemetery in Annapolis, right next to a lifelong friend, within earshot of the next generation of midshipmen and within view of the banks of Severn River.

The senator's choice was another that showed his trademark individuality. McCain, who died Saturday after battling brain cancer, selected the out-of-the-way spot over the grandeur and solemnity of Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia, where his father and grandfather — both admirals — are buried. Instead, the decorated Vietnam War veteran, former prisoner of war and six-term senator opted for a front-row position next to his friend Chuck Larson, himself an admiral and ally throughout McCain's remarkable life.

"Near, where our paths first crossed," McCain wrote in his memoir of the site.

McCain's office said on Sunday that Larson, who died in 2014, had reserved four plots at the site — for himself, McCain and their wives, both now widows.

From the grassy spot, the grunts and shouts of dozens of exercising midshipmen on Forrest Sherman Field float up to the grave site. Beyond that, crew teams row by and around the peninsula that since at least 1868 has served

as the Naval Academy's cemetery. Boats sail past, and occasional car horns from the nearby Baltimore Boulevard bridge interrupt the peace.

On Saturday, as McCain spent his final hours surrounded by family at his ranch in Arizona, his grave was already marked. "Sect 8 1704 McCain," read a handwritten sign on a wooden post, noting the section and grave number, adjacent to Larson's grave.

In between two wooden stakes sat an orange traffic cone, a sentry that might have amused McCain with its unceremonious placement for a former presidential candidate amid the elegant, weathered grave-stones.

McCain and Larson's friendship began at the academy, where McCain ranked near the bottom of the class of 1958. His best friend, Larson, finished near the top, receiving his diploma and personal congratulations from President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

They were roommates through flight school. Larson went on to become commander in chief of military forces in the Pacific. He was the second-youngest admiral in history. Larson also was named superintendent of the Naval Academy twice, the last time in 1994 with a mission to restore morale after the largest cheating scandal in its history.

McCain was shot down over Vietnam and tortured for five-and-a-half years as a prisoner of war. After his return to the U.S., he was elected to the House in 1982 and the Senate in 1986. He ran unsuccessfully

for president in 2000 and 2008.

His rebellious nature sometimes frustrated his political allies and strained friendships. But Larson and McCain stayed "the closest of friends," McCain wrote.

McCain spoke at the academy as Larson, who died of leukemia at age 77, prepared to leave in 1998.

During the speech, McCain told the midshipmen that the friendship was "one of the great honors of my life." But then McCain noted that he doesn't like to dwell on the differences between them, such as the fact that Larson was "destined for greatness." McCain said he preferred to think about a night during their last year at the academy, during which Larson was serving in a leadership capacity and McCain was "as usual, engaged in the kind of officially prohibited activity that (Larson) was expected to report."

Specifically, McCain was hosting a secretive party at which his crew watched a fight on television. Larson attended. When an officer approached, the parties stuffed Larson in a crawl space.

"I always like to remember Chuck that way, cringing in my closet, dressed in his formal blue uniform, his sword at his side..." McCain reminisced in public.

Then McCain turned serious.

"Neither I nor the Navy nor the academy say goodbye today," McCain said, according to the speech posted on his Senate website. "Goodbyes are impossible. We have been too close for too long to part company now."

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	TONIGHT	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
	Clear and chilly	Warmer with hazy sun	Mostly sunny and pleasant	Partly sunny and nice	Mostly sunny and pleasant
Baker City	36	77 38	86 43	79 40	76 37
Comfort Index™	6	9	7	10	10
La Grande	41	78 46	86 50	78 47	76 45
Comfort Index™	6	9	7	10	10
Enterprise	40	75 44	83 47	75 45	74 44
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TEMPERATURES	Baker City	La Grande	Elgin
High Sunday	65°	63°	62°
Low Sunday	46°	56°	56°
PRECIPITATION (inches)			
Sunday	Trace	0.02	0.00
Month to date	Trace	0.05	0.03
Normal month to date	0.58	0.71	0.53
Year to date	4.75	10.35	20.81
Normal year to date	6.94	10.73	14.90

SUNDAY EXTREMES

NATION (for the 48 contiguous states)	OREGON
High: 114°	High: 86°
Low: 29°	Low: 33°
Wettest: 2.49"	Wettest: 0.16"
Death Valley, Calif.	Rome
Boca Reservoir, Calif.	Lakeview
Lorain, Ohio	Tillamook

WEATHER HISTORY

So much cool air moved southward on Aug. 28, 1944, that Raleigh, N.C., had a high of only 68 degrees, which is its lowest maximum temperature ever in August.

SUN & MOON

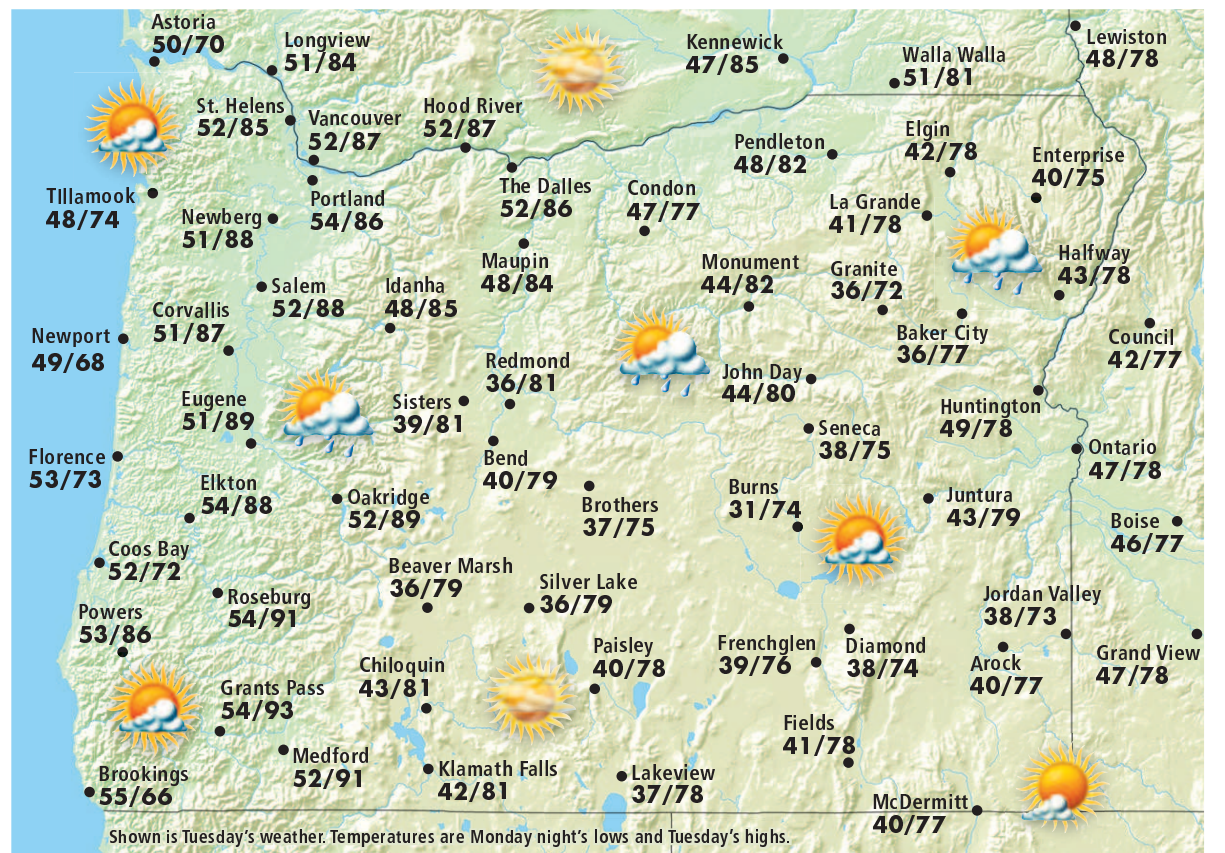
	MON.	TUE.
Sunrise	6:08 a.m.	6:09 a.m.
Sunset	7:39 p.m.	7:38 p.m.
Moonrise	8:34 p.m.	9:00 p.m.
Moonset	7:09 a.m.	8:12 a.m.

MOON PHASES



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REGIONAL CITIES

City	TUE. HI/Lo/W	WED. HI/Lo/W	City	TUE. HI/Lo/W	WED. HI/Lo/W
Astoria	70/52/s	65/55/pc	Lewiston	78/51/pc	87/57/s
Bend	79/47/pc	85/45/s	Longview	84/51/pc	72/57/pc
Boise	77/51/s	86/57/s	Meacham	75/45/pc	84/48/s
Brookings	66/48/pc	58/50/pc	Medford	91/56/s	90/55/s
Burns	74/35/s	85/40/s	Newport	68/49/s	63/52/pc
Coos Bay	72/52/s	64/55/pc	Olympia	82/46/pc	70/51/pc
Corvallis	87/51/pc	81/51/pc	Ontario	78/47/s	85/55/s
Council	77/45/s	83/51/s	Pasco	83/50/pc	89/52/s
Elgin	78/46/pc	85/51/s	Pendleton	82/53/pc	89/57/s
Eugene	89/52/pc	83/52/pc	Portland	86/56/pc	79/57/pc
Hermiston	84/50/pc	92/58/s	Powers	86/55/s	77/52/pc
Hood River	87/57/pc	84/59/s	Redmond	81/40/pc	87/41/s
Imnaha	80/53/pc	87/56/s	Roseburg	91/56/pc	85/55/s
John Day	80/48/pc	88/52/s	Salem	88/52/pc	82/55/pc
Joseph	75/45/pc	83/46/s	Spokane	75/51/pc	79/52/pc
Kennewick	85/50/pc	92/58/s	The Dalles	86/53/pc	86/60/s
Klamath Falls	81/44/s	84/45/s	Ukiah	76/44/pc	84/44/s
Lakeview	78/38/s	83/40/s	Walla Walla	81/55/pc	88/60/s

Weather(W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, f-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice

RECREATION FORECAST TUESDAY

Location	Forecast	High	Low
ANTHONY LAKES	Partial sunshine	44	28
PHILLIPS LAKE	Partly sunny	64	37
MT. EMILY REC.	A shower	55	38
BROWNLEE RES.	A shower	71	46
EAGLE CAP WILD.	A shower	51	29
EMIGRANT ST. PARK	A shower or two	59	34
WALLOWA LAKE	A shower	63	40
MCKAY RESERVOIR	Some sun	73	48
THIEF VALLEY RES.	Some sun	68	36
RED BRIDGE ST. PARK	A shower	67	41



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