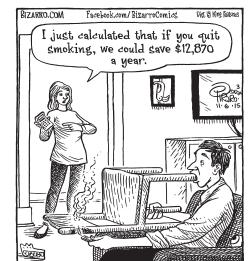


"I wish a bird would sing a song I actually know sometime.

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Family Offers Little Sympathy After Online Boyfriend's Death

DEAR ABBY

Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am a 20-year-old woman. A few months ago, my boyfriend (my very first boyfriend) committed suicide. I feel absolutely destroyed.

The problem is, my family doesn't regard my feelings of grief seriously because our relationship was started and maintained online. We lived several states apart, and while we never met in person, we talked every night and videochatted many, many times. My feelings for him were real.

I broke down when I heard the news, and I still hurt, but my family thinks I'm overreacting. They can't understand how a relationship with someone online can be serious. How can I make them recognize how much pain I'm in? The fact they refuse to recognize this loss hurts me so much more. What do I do? - ALL ALONE IN LOUISIANA

DEAR ALL ALONE: Please accept my sympathy for the loss of someone you cared about so deeply. That your parents would minimize your feelings is sad, but it says more about them and their level of sensitivity than the depth of your relationship with him. Many serious relationships have started online, and marriages as well, and I understand you are left mourning all the things that might have

At 20, you are no longer a child. You can find emotional support elsewhere. Talk to your clergyperson, if you have one, or look online for a grief support group you can join. There you will be able to safely vent about your feelings with others who understand what you are experiencing right now.

DEAR ABBY: My parents divorced four years ago. Mom currently lives with my husband and me. We have a great relationship with her, and she never speaks ill of my father. She has moved on, found a new direction in life and a new boyfriend we all like verv much

Dad moved in with the woman he cheated

on Mom with, but their relationship fell apart. He has never stopped speaking ill of Mom. When things aren't going well for him, he causes trouble by showing up at Mom's workplace and making a scene. He'll also come over to our house unannounced to talk badly about her.

He was a great father until a few years ago when all this trouble started. I feel torn between trying to continue a relationship with him or cutting him out of my life like a bad daughter. What should I do? – CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR CAUGHT: Your father's behavior is sick. Depending upon how disruptive he is when he shows up at your mother's workplace, suggest she consider getting a restraining order preventing him from acting out that way. She must have a very

understanding employer to have tolerated it, because that kind of disruption has been known to cost people their jobs.

And when your dad shows up at your home unannounced, speak up. Tell him you and your husband don't like it. Make clear that his nasty comments about your mother aren't welcome, and neither will he be, unless he calls first to see if a visit is all right with everyone. His misbehavior continues because you have allowed it.

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S

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A baby born today has a Sun in Scorpio and a Moon in Virgo.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR FRIDAY, NOV. 6, 2015:

This year you seem to empower yourself through your thoughts. Others might be stunned, but of all the signs, you understand the power of positive thinking. As a result, you become more and more optimistic. If you are single, you attract quite an array of personalities. You will have a lot of fun choosing a special someone. If you are attached, the two of you make and realize important plans for your relationship. A tone of celebration surrounds you. VIRGO warms up when he or she is around

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Dif-

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)

* * * * Pace yourself, and handle as much as you can. You could wake up to some intense emotions. Take a walk, preferably by a body of water, in ead Or accomplish what you want to. Tonight: Don't push yourself too hard!

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

**** You still might be in dream land as you get your morning started. A friend is likely to need your time; it could be as simple as listening to his or her problem. You naturally seem to find solutions to emotional conflicts. Tonight: Let your

imagination rock and roll. **GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)**

* ★ ★ You could be in a situation that is creating a lot of tension -- most likely because you feel obligated. Share your feelings with a trusted friend. You might be surprised by this person's reaction and suggestion. Ultimately, the decision is yours.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)

* * * * Your feelings could be all over the place. You might be having a difficult time reading someone else. Let this go for now, and don't worry so much. You are far from being stuck. An older per son dashes in and out of your day. Tonight: Catch up on a loved one's news.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

★★ Use caution with any money matters. You might not be the one who is confused, but having

any party involved feel unclear about what is going on is a recipe for disaster. You are best off postponing conversations for a few days. Tonight: Treat a pal to TGIF

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

**** Step out of your old image and into your new, more confident one. Not every moment will be perfect, but you certainly won't allow a bad situation to get the best of you. A loved one might have a lot to share. Tonight: Invite a special person to join you at a favorite haunt.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-0CT. 22)

* ★ ★ Step back graciously. This position of lesser importance will give you more freedom to do what you want. You could join a favorite person and christen the weekend early. You might not want to make public knowledge of what you are up to, though. Tonight: Out and about.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

* * * * * Zero in on your priorities, even if you're surrounded by several people. You must be carrying a lucky rabbit's foot, as you seem to get exactly what you want. Sometimes you find that even when are on an obscure path, you still reach your goals. Tonight: With friends.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

* ★ ★ ★ You suddenly might be stopped in your acks by a request from a boss, higher-up or relative. Use your instincts when dealing with this person. Confusion seems to surround your home or a family member. Tonight: Count on being available and needed

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

* * * * Keep your eyes open, and look for the most universal interpretations of what is going on around you. Detach in your preferred method, and it will allow your understanding and empathy to evolve. Consider a last-minute getaway. Tonight

Your call, but opt for something different. AOUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

* * * * * A partner or an associate will make a request. You might not have planned to honor it, but you will indulge this person anyway. Be as clear as you can be about the financial implications involved. Help a friend follow this same path. Tonight: With a favorite person.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

* ★ ★ ★ What you feel you'd like to do might be very different from what is happening. Try to detach in order to complete your plans. Use caution with handling your finances, as you could make a simple mistake, like miscounting your change. Tonight: Make it memorable

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