

My Grandpa Sam

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Dedication Page

I dedicate this to my grandfather, Sam Cordova, who I love very much. Thank you for being you.

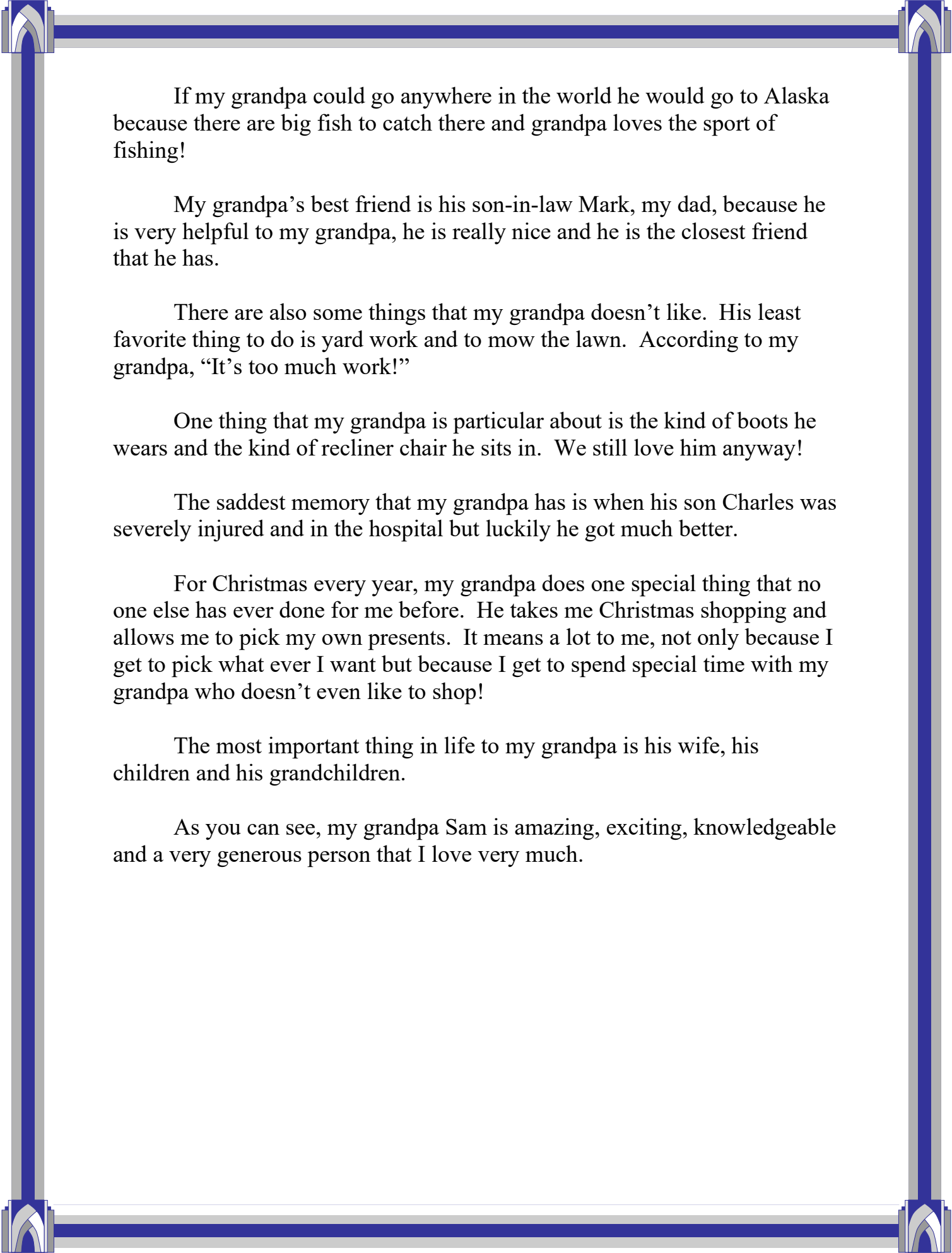
Even though my parents are there to guide me I feel more open to my grandpa. This is because my grandpa calls me to see how I am doing and how my day went. I can talk to him about anything.

My grandpa's name is Samuel Gilbert Cordova. He was born in Mora, New Mexico on October 26, 1934. Grandpa grew up in Denver, Colorado. He attended Westwood Elementary School. Back in those days, there were only elementary and high schools. There weren't any middle schools. The high school my grandpa went to was called West High school. My grandpa's favorite memory in school was being a part of the "Singing Christmas Tree" that is a Christmas program the school choir sings at. After graduating from high school Grandpa met the woman of his dreams at a "Winnie Roast" at Harriman Lake. He married that woman who happens to be my grandma Dorothy. My grandparents love each other very much. They got married on May 1, 1955.

Grandpa enlisted in the Air Force for four years. He and my grandma lived in many interesting places like Germany and France. They loved being overseas but missed their home and families. Their oldest child was born in France. My grandparents have five children, four boys and one girl. That one girl is my mom Lorraine. Those four boys are my uncles. Their names are Louie, Leroy, Charles and Raymond.

Now I'm going to tell you about some of my Grandpa Sam's favorite things. His favorite animal is an elk because he thinks that they are large and majestic. His favorite food is my grandma Dorothy's famous green chili because it is extra hot and spicy. His favorite color is navy blue. My grandpa's favorite place to visit is Yellowstone National Park. His favorite vehicle is a Chevrolet GMC truck because they are big and roomy. I guess that's why my grandpa drives one!

My grandpa loves the outdoors. He goes camping and fishing all of the time. His favorite holidays are Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends because he always goes camping with his family. He also loves Thanksgiving because my grandma Dorothy makes a HUGE delicious meal with lots of turkey and stuffing for our family.



If my grandpa could go anywhere in the world he would go to Alaska because there are big fish to catch there and grandpa loves the sport of fishing!

My grandpa's best friend is his son-in-law Mark, my dad, because he is very helpful to my grandpa, he is really nice and he is the closest friend that he has.

There are also some things that my grandpa doesn't like. His least favorite thing to do is yard work and to mow the lawn. According to my grandpa, "It's too much work!"

One thing that my grandpa is particular about is the kind of boots he wears and the kind of recliner chair he sits in. We still love him anyway!

The saddest memory that my grandpa has is when his son Charles was severely injured and in the hospital but luckily he got much better.

For Christmas every year, my grandpa does one special thing that no one else has ever done for me before. He takes me Christmas shopping and allows me to pick my own presents. It means a lot to me, not only because I get to pick what ever I want but because I get to spend special time with my grandpa who doesn't even like to shop!

The most important thing in life to my grandpa is his wife, his children and his grandchildren.

As you can see, my grandpa Sam is amazing, exciting, knowledgeable and a very generous person that I love very much.