

Golden Rules

Measuring Life by a Different Standard

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At the end of every year, Americans are saddened by the passing of various social icons. Some lived hard lives, and thus, leave earth at an early age. Others, enjoy a long life, and not surprisingly, seem to have more profound thoughts later in their years. But in every case, they were memorable – for better or worse. The quips and quotes below certainly reflect that a few of these icons *Measured Life by a Different Standard*.

- **Mary Tyler Moore:** I'm an experienced woman; I've been around. Well, all right, I might not have been around, but I've been nearby. -- Three things have helped me through the ordeals of life: an understanding husband, a good analyst, and millions of dollars.
- **Glen Campbell:** Picking a guitar is a lot easier than picking cotton; I'm from so far back in the sticks that they had to pump the light in there. -- Perhaps, I have discovered the reasons for an unhappy private life. Every three years, I go and marry a girl that doesn't love me and then she proceeds to take all my money.
- **Don Rickles:** When you enter Sinatra's room, you have to kiss his ring. I didn't mind, but he had it in his back pocket. -- Italians are fantastic people, really; they can work you over in an alley while singing an opera.
- **Jerry Lewis:** When I was a kid, I said to my father, *Daddy, will you take me to the zoo?* He answered, *If the zoo wants you, let them come and get you.* -- Every man's dream is to be able to sink into the arms of a woman without also falling into her hands. -- You might as well like yourself; just think about all the time you're gonna have to spend by yourself.
- **Jim Nabors:** I never watched myself on TV, and now I know why; I just always thought that 'Golly' was a 5 syllable word.
- **Hugh Hefner:** Well, if we hadn't had the Wright brothers, there would still be airplanes. If there hadn't been an Edison, there would still be electric lights. And if there hadn't been a Hefner, we'd still have sex. But maybe we wouldn't be enjoying it as much, and the world would be a little poorer. Come to think of it, so would some of my relatives.
- **Judge Joseph Wapner:** People say, *'I'm only suing for the principle of the thing,'* and I reply that I can't give you principle - only money.
- **Tom Petty:** Rock n' Roll was one thing, but then they chopped off the 'roll' and called it 'rock,' which became a sort of umbrella term for anything with a guitar in it. Like hair bands. How could we possibly believe that? It's just gotten downright silly, to the point where now it's sort of become like professional wrestling.
- **Fats Domino:** A lot of musicians today have B.A's, MBA's or PhD's. Unfortunately, they don't all have a J.O.B. -- Clean living keeps me in shape; righteous thoughts are my secret; that, and New Orleans home cookin'.



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