

"My mother was born in 1930 and she moves around better than I do on a good day! I thank God for my young mother!"
- Janice Norwood Waller, Traffic Officer, Transportation

"Were you ever asked what you wanted to be when you grew up? My answer is, 'my Mom,' the most compassionate, strongest, loving person I have ever met! Widowed at 44 years old with 11 children, she never gave up on us. She brought us to the USA in 1972 from Mexico when my Dad passed away (I was six years old). She always held two jobs so we wouldn't be without. And she still managed to make homemade meals every day, made time for us, took us to church, etc."
 "Thank you, Mom, for making me the luckiest person in the world! I love you."
- Alicia Spicer

"Our brother and five sisters leaned on Mom, and she relied on us for emotional assurance in her silent, caring way. She had taught us everything she knew, and this made us hope that we can be more like her. For in the end, Mom is and always will be our first love. Much love, respect and admiration to our mother and to all mothers around the world."
- Dolly B. Sevilla, LAPD & Virginia B. Stocks, GSD

"Here is a photo of my Mom and I when she came to California -- on her first plane trip -- at the age of 82! She has given her unconditional love to my siblings and I throughout our lives. Thanks Mom -- we love you!"
- Patrick Tomcheck, Airports

Happy Mother's Day

to all the great mothers out there!

Here are the personal messages sent to **Alive!** by some very loving and grateful children who wanted to pay tribute to their Mom.

"Mommy, you are my best friend, my confidant, my prayer partner, my encouragement! You are the reason I am the woman I am today. Every day is Mother's Day with a mother like you. I love you!"
- Kim Fogg, DWP Customer Services Training Unit

"Happy Mother's Day to the greatest mother ever. You are forever in my heart. I love and miss you dearly!"
- Donna Williams, Security Officer, 7 years of service.

"Grandmother, thank you for all of the love and support that you have always shown us. Love, your grandchildren: RaShawn, Tiffany, Brittany (not pictured), Evan and Zuri."
- Jennifer Quarterman (Grandma is in the middle)

"Mamá, gracias por todo que me has enseñado. Debido a ti, yo he logrado ser una buena esposa, madre, hija y hermana. Feliz día de las madres. Con todo mi amor y cariño. Tu hija."
- Carol Holguin, Management Analyst II, General Services

"Grandma, we love you! Thanks for being the best grandma and cook ever. Happy Mother's Day! Love, your grandchildren, Mark Jr. and Zuri."
- Jennifer Quarterman (Grandma is on the left)

"We are Maya Boglarka and Koppany Cuauhtli Horvath, the children of Adriana and Robert 'Robbie' Horvath [Hyperion Treatment Plant Mechanic]. We are wishing a very happy Mother's Day for our beloved Mommy, Adriana. Please let her know that she is the best mommy we've ever had. With much-much love."
- Maya Boglarka and Koppany Cuauhtli

"Mom, thanks for being everything I need- ed, a loving friend, an honest sister, a terrific mentor, a stern counselor, a never-ending supporter, a shoulder to cry on and, most of all, a wonderful grandmother. I really enjoy following in your footsteps and look forward to many more years of wonderful memories. Happy Mother's Day."
- Monique Mills (Mom Cynthia Young is on the left)

"Mom [Laura Daniels], thank you for sharing your knowledge, wisdom, patience and generosity for so many years. You are a strong woman and have set a great example for many people. You are a blessing in various ways. Happy Mother's Day. Love, Reka."
- Eureka Daniels

"Mom [Carolyn], you have been there for me through the thick and thin. Your generosity and concern for your kids and grandkids is phenomenal. You are truly one of a kind, and I sincerely appreciate you. Happy Mother's Day. Love, Eureka."
- Eureka Daniels

"Both of you are really great moms. I am so lucky to have a mom who is as loving, caring, healthy, happy and funny as my mom. Happy Mother's Day, Mom! Lena, you do such a great job raising Monica, Kristen and Michael."
- Margo Kennedy, Cabrillo Marine Aquarium

"Being a mom is a lot of work. Have a great Mother's Day. You deserve it!"
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"Mom, Happy Mother's Day. Thanks for everything."
- John Burnes, editor, Alive!

"To Kelley, the most awesome Mother on the planet. You are so fun to be with and you always help us with our homework. We love you to the Moon! Noah, Isaiah and Hannah Hawkins."
- John Hawkins

"To my Mom the Great Adventurer...thank you for teaching me that the only way to succeed in life is to have a positive and energetic outlook in everything you do. You have truly been an inspiration! I love you!!!"
- John Hawkins

HIGH-FIVES FOR DAD!

City Employees: Pay tribute this Father's Day... with a photo and message of respect, honor and love, published in Alive!

In our June issue, we'll print a photo of you and your dad (or just your dad)... and a two- or three-sentence message of Happy Father's Day from you. Then you can take your copy of Alive! and show him what he means to you.

Photos can be either print or digital. But you have to act quickly, as our June issue is fast approaching.

So:

- Send in a print or digital photo of you and your dad (or just your dad). Send digital photos to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com. Send print photos to City Employees Club, 350 S. Figueroa, Suite 700, Los Angeles 90012.
- Include a message of Happy Father's Day (up to three sentences).
- Deadline: May 15.

