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My 49 Year Old Tree

Tuesday, January 01, 2019

This is Christmas 1969. Can you see the baby under the tree? Baby Jeannie (Hayburner1969) was 3 months old and I sent this photo to DH who left for Vietnam right after she was born.

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Here's the same tree this morning.
Many of the ornaments were also on that tree in 1969. More were acquired from our travels.



I made the tree skirt decades ago from material from my maternity clothes and the baby clothes of our 3 children. Every year it's a visual reminder of "the way we were".

I wonder how many other trees are approaching their "Golden Anniversary?"

Note:

The tree is a 6 ft "Scotch Pine"

My Dad & I bought it in Sears for \$30.

We got our money's worth and it has even outlasted Sears!

Happy New Year to all my Spark Friends and all the thousands who visit this site for the resources and support to be the best they can be.

Special New Year's photos and wish for my favorite Sparker – Hayburner1969

Wondering what the future will bring (September 1969)



Thankfully the future turned out pretty great

At her best in 2016




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

ANNIESADVENTURE

Almost a year since you posted this. Heartwarming and enjoyable blog makes me think about the memories we are creating and passing on to our families.
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

MTN_KITTEN


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HEALTHYANDFIT27

What a wonderful blog! Thank you for sharing!
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LOSEDAPOUNDS

I wish things were made to last like that tree these days! Beautiful story and such sweet photos.
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MJREIMERS

Love it!
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CHERYLHURT

A beautiful life!
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1STBUCKETITEM

Wonderful, cherished memories. Happy, Healthy New Year to you and yours!!

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CHAYOR73

What awesome memories!! HAPPY NEW YEAR!!
888 days ago





YELLOW09RED

Hi Eileen,

It's the best things we buy when we are young. Sears was our favorite store to shop. I worked for them once and I loved it.

Love your tree.

Great pictures of your Jeannie (Hayburner1969).

Happy New Year to you and Joe.

Hugs and smiles,

Debbie

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CD924924

Warmest wishes to you and your family as we start the new year.

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QUARTERMASTER3

AWESOME

Happy New Year.

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SUNNYCALIGIRL

AWESOME

Thank you for sharing.

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SKYDRAKE

Best of 2019 to you! I thought my 24 year old tree was old. It is shedding more than a real tree at this point. LOL. My tree skirt is appliqued with my kids handprints from over the years. Isn't it great to have those "way we were" memories?

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-POOKIE-

I absolutely love this blog, thank you for sharing the pictures, it's wonderful!

I was planning on making something with my girls clothes like that when they are bigger.

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POLSKARENIA

What a lovely blog, and how nice to see you back here!

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GRANDMA524DAR

Happy New Year!

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KANSASROSE67

What a great post! Love the tree and love the baby pictures even more!

Wishing you all the blessings of the Christmas season and a wonderful year in 2019.

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AZMOMXTWO

awesome photos and even better are the memories that you have to go with them

Happy New Year

889 days ago



NASFKAB

What a gorgeous tribute to a great marriage & family! All the best to all of you for 2019

889 days ago



MARYJEANSL

I love hearing about the tree. I am very sentimental, and treasures like that, that have been in the family for years, have so much meaning to me. Thank you for sharing its story, and many blessings to you for 2019.

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1FARMER

Happy New Year!



I love to look back on my Christmas memories too.



Hard times and the fun times, those years went by fast. Thank you for sharing.



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PHEBESS

What memories in that tree!!! - and what a wonderful part of your lives for the past 49 years!!!!

Happy holidays to you, Joe, and Hayburner!!!!!!

Hugs to you!!!

889 days ago



BJAEGER307

What wonderful memories. I'm sure it brought back tons of memories for your daughter.

Wishing you and your family Happy New Year. Here's to a wonderful year filled with wonderful

memories, healthy living, and being the best you can be!

889 days ago



DOVESEYES

Wonderful memories, my tree is the same it carries the results of the beginnings in Australia when we had nothing through the good times and the new ornaments to represent Cam and Annabelle and Eric. My son Tim and I made the ornaments from material ...little parcels and polystyrene balls scored with material in the scorings and braid on top ... also knitted Snowmen

I have passed some onto Bec to add to her tree :)

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SPEDED2

So many beautiful memories. Thank you for sharing them.

Have a Happy New Year!

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HARRIETT14

I think that was the longest that I know of anyone who kept their Christmas tree. It was wonderful going down memory lane with you. thank you so much.

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SUSIEMT

Thank you for sharing those memories and that tree!! We have gone through a bunch of trees most of them from Sears as a matter of fact. Oh well, you must have taken better care than we did!



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RAZZOOZLE



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FRAN0426

I know that my tree is not going to be 50 years old next Christmas. We have bough several trees over our 50 years of marriage. We had to downsize even our trees with a couple of moves over the years. What memories over the years for you having the same Christmas tree. Wishing you a very Happy New Year.

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NANCY-

Wow!

Happy 2019!

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HOLLYM48

Happy New Year to you! It is nice to hear from you. Wishes for a fantastic and health filled 2019!

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MORTICIAADDAMS

I collect Christmas trees so I have one around that age, which was my first one, and one even



older that was one of my mom's trees. These kind hold up a lot better than the flocked trees or the boxes any of them come in.
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LINDA!
Happy New Year!
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NANASUEH
Happy New Year! What memories!



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1958TMC
What a way to bring in the new year, reading such an uplifting blog. Happy new year to you and your special family!
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LIZANDRASHAW
Happy New Year!
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DSHONEYC
Wow - what a legacy tree you have! And Hayburner1969 is really something to be proud of!
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MILLEGE2
So happy to see blogs from you and your daughter again! Wishing you a prosperous and healthy 2019!
890 days ago



JENARUL
Happy New year! Thanks for letting us peak into your life once again. :-)
890 days ago



PHOENIX1949
Debated on replacing our 30+ year-old tree as it has become brittle in some places but will be thinking of your tree as I take off the decorations and box it up for the next round.
Happy New Year!!
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1CRAZYDOG
Wonderful, beautiful and heart warming! Happy New Year to you, my dear. Glad you posted! Love the pictures.
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QUILTYENGINEER
Happy New Year to you and your family!
890 days ago



1DAY-ATA-TIME
 Happy New Year!
890 days ago



ONEKIDSMOM
Think of you often, and was glad when Jeanne started blogging again! Wishing your whole family health and happiness in 2019!
890 days ago

miss you!



MBPP50
 Happy New Year!
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WATERMELLEN

What a lovely blog-tribute to your dear daughter: and all those years of a happy and joyous marriage and family.

All the best to you and yours in 2019!!
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