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Thank you Courtney for your profound, honest and poignant response to my letter. I hope what I am about to write does not come across as an excuse because there is absolutely no excuse for my abandonment of four children. I was selfish, immature and a drug addict. I live with the reality that I hurt my children because of my many character defects. I am sober and mature now and I know my maturity came at the irreplaceable cost of my children's right to a normal childhood. You are right, the person I was did not deserve to become a parent. I hope the man I am today will one day deserve to be your Dad. Courtney I was never truly free, I was in a self-induced prison of addictions and delusions. I had a sickness in my soul and chose a path of self-destruction. I deserve to suffer the consequences of my choices but you, Casey, Noel and Harmony did not deserve to suffer. I have two things to give you, Casey, Noel and Harmony: my utmost love and honesty. I love you Courtney. If you have any more questions please ask me. I hope to hear from you again. I know when I was 17 I was definitely not as smart or articulate as you are.

love

Roland 5/12/13

PS. Courtney can you please tell me a few things a normal Dad would know about his daughter: favorite color, book etc if you feel comfortable. -