

An Appeal To My Daughter

Good Morning Rosie,

No matter how old you are - you will always be my Baby Girl ! I have always been proud of you and your dumb ass brother - you were both bright intelligent children eager to learn and I was happy to be able to instruct you - to plant seeds and watch them grow - there were a lot of things that troubled me when I came to Florida and found you guys living in squalor - #1} was there was very little I could do - your mother refused to let me stay there with you - I had no car or money and my parents place was about ten miles away - I was feeling hopelessness like never before - all I could do was try to spend as much time with you as I could ... I noticed right away the lack of discipline you and Mike had developed and it troubled me - you weren't bad kids - you were just more self reliant than you should have been - I didn't see it as a major problem - although Mikes attitude, of self reliance was a bit more ingrained than yours - He lacked respect for my authority and still does and it appears you have the same trait, but in a different way and I am hopeful we can reason things out between us - I have always wanted good things for us - and still do as we try to work past the lack of discipline issue (being self reliant) and feeling that is what is best for you - as you would rather hurt than be hurt and that is what I mean when I say you lack discipline - you are shutting me out due to having been hurt by my inability to protect you which left you to fend for yourself the best you were able to (like eating insects) .Rosie - I apologize for my mental breakdown that brought about our separation when I went to prison - The point of what I am trying to convey is - we have an opportunity to rekindle our father daughter relationship as adults - I am not out to hurt you or cause you pain - but I do want the respect due me as your biological father and that requires your trust, that I have no desire or intent to bring harm upon you in anyway - We missed out on to many years of a true father daughter relationship (not by my choice) Please don't allow that trend to continue due to your choice ... Right now I can only hope to appeal to your sense of right and wrong - My door will always be open to you (respect that and appreciate it as well) I love you - your Father