Lee Troup 09/12/2020 Facebook post

I grew up in Harrisburg, PA. I know I was raised during a time when most everyone treated each other with respect. We didn't eat a lot of fast food because it was considered a treat, not a food group. We drank Kool-Aid made from water that came from our kitchen sink. We ate bologna sandwiches, or even tuna (which was in a can not a pouch), PB&J & grilled cheese sandwiches, hot dogs, pot pies, but mostly homemade meals consisting of mainly meat, potatoes, vegetable, bread & butter, and homemade dessert.

We grew up during a time when we mowed lawns, pulled weeds, babysat, helped neighbors with chores to be able to earn our own money. We went outside a lot to play games, ride bikes, red rover, dodge ball, run with siblings and friends & played hide and seek. We drank tap water from the hose outside... bottled water was unheard of!

We watched TV shows like American Bandstand, Gilligan's Island, Happy Days, Bewitched, The Brady Bunch, Little House On The Prairie, MASH and I Love Lucy. After school, we came home and did homework and chores before going outside or having friends over. We would ride our bikes for hours. We had to tell our parents where we were going, who we were going with, and what time we'd be back.

You LEARNED from your Mom and Dad instead of disrespecting them and treating them as if they knew absolutely nothing. What they said was LAW and you did not question it, and you had better know it!!!

You had to be close enough to home to hear your Mom ring the dinner bell or time to come in at dusk. When the sun was starting to set you had better be home. We ate around the dinner table when dad came home from work and talked to each other around the table. In school we said the Pledge of Allegiance, we stood for the National Anthem and listened to our teachers.

We watched what we said around our elders because we knew if we DISRESPECTED any grown-up we would get our behinds whipped, it wasn't called abuse, it was called discipline! (Yes, I was spanked many times) We held doors, carried groceries and gave up our seat for an older person without being asked.

You didn't hear curse words on the radio in songs or TV, and if you cursed and got caught you had a bar of soap stuck in your mouth and had to stand in the corner. “Please, Thank you, yes ma’am, no ma’am, yes sir, No sir, were part of our daily vocabulary!

You grew up to respect the Nation, the flag, and the President, NO MATTER who it was.