



Top 10 Indicators that We May Need to Emotionally Leave Mom and Dad

10. We occasionally call our spouse by our opposite sex parent's first name.
9. We are compelled to visit our mother every other weekend just in case some light bulbs need changing.
8. We have never celebrated a major holiday (Christmas, Thanksgiving, Easter, July Fourth, President's Day, National Secretary's Day) at our own home apart from Mom and Dad.
7. We still carry Dad's Exxon Card-and we still use it!
6. Mom still calls to tell us we need to wear a jacket because it's so cold.
5. After 47 years of marriage, our elderly mother offers to pay us \$2000 per month to leave our spouse and move back home to take care of her.
4. We're still not sure what our favorite color is-we always pick what Mom likes.
3. The whole family hates our meatloaf recipe, but we still cook it once a week because "It's Mom's recipe, and Dad liked it!"
2. We're buying a house where Dad is carrying the note-and we haven't made a payment in five years.
1. After 15 years of marriage, our mother-in-law still drives 100 miles twice a week to give our spouse an allergy shot because "I'm the only one who can stick him so it doesn't hurt."