

Grandpa John- A Special Person

People wander into and out of our lives on a daily basis. Most of these people will have no lasting impact on our lives. However, there are those who do. Of those few that do, my grandfather, John, has impacted me most.

Influential people do not always impact you directly. Great leaders show the way by example and by doing great things. For instance, I am motivated to excel in my work because of the hard work my grandfather displays everyday. Whether it be carrying out deliveries for the family bakery, fixing things around the house, or directing family affairs, my grandfather will do it all without complaint. I enjoy nothing more than spending time learning from my grandfather or aiding him in his deliveries and other errands. My grandfather is a true example that hard work pays off, and only through hard work can you achieve success. I hope that I can follow in his footsteps and become such a great man when I am older.

In the meantime, Grandpa John exhibits honesty and integrity in all his dealings. Once you have his word, it will not be broken. He always tells the truth even when it is difficult. He is open-minded and non-judgmental. He tells me it is important to always be honest with others. He constantly reminds me that if you're honest with others you will gain their respect. This must be true, because my grandpa is respected by countless neighbors and acquaintances.

Without a doubt, I would not be who I am, had it not been for the special guidance of my grandfather. He has given me a solid foundation upon which I will build my future and, I am grateful beyond words of his presence in my life. I know I will

cherish all the things he taught me. I hope that one day I will impact someone else in the same way Grandpa John has impacted me.

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