

## ***One-Liners . . . That Changed My Life!***

### **# 80 “*From Grandpa With Love*”**

The older I become, the more I am convinced that faith, family and friends are essential to life. And they are bound together by love.

In 1999, as we approached the new millennium, I was asked to speak with a group of college age students. I had some serious thoughts I wanted them to hear, but I also wanted them to know I was speaking in love. Since I was nearly 75 years old with grandchildren their age, I titled it “***From Grandpa With Love***”.

My children liked the title so well, they chose it for two large volumes of my writings they had bound and presented to me at my 80th birthday celebration. I was pleased they also felt it fit.

I understand Samuel Clemens adopted the words “*mark twain*” (the call used on river boat soundings for safe depths he heard in his years on the Mississippi river) as his pen name. “***From Grandpa With Love***” gradually became the same for me. As I walked through these older years, I enjoyed seeing it appear on my writings. It seemed to have a universal ring. It took the emphasis off me as a person, and let us all think as loving grandparents.

Recently, I overheard a discussion between an older couple that confirmed my decision. As they left a talk in which I used one of my writings, the wife asked her husband, “Why don’t you write something like that?” He responded, “Why should I?”

And then he added wryly, “It is signed, “***From Grandpa With Love***”. And I am a Grandpa!”

*From Grandpa With Love*

#### **A Note From the Writer**

Moving into my nineties caused me to reminisce. It was eye-opening to realize how much I had been changed by one-liners. I decided some of these might give others a new insight or a chuckle, so—enjoy! You can reproduce this material, provided the copies are complete, including this copyright note, and circulated free of charge. © 2018 Marvin J. Martin