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Pineapple Baby



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Tell Me About It

Mom pushes her boyfriend on the family

Q: My mother's boyfriend of seven years, "Steve," is not a horrible person, but he is ... difficult. He is a classic know-it-all, and regularly changes the subject mid-conversation to tell random stories about himself. My mother acts like his personal hype-man: "Oh, Steve is the best," about everything.



CAROLYN HAX

I think the compliments are an attempt at getting us to like him, but it's done the opposite: My sister and I are frustrated both by him and her behavior with him.

All of that is challenging, but not intolerable. However, I have an 18-month-old, and my sister has an 8-month-old. Our mother frequently refers to Steve as "Grandpa" — except he's not, and also not our father figure since we were adults when they met.

My son also has two living grandfathers, and it feels disrespectful to them. Is it wrong to want him no longer referred to as Grandpa? Is there a way to bring it up without upsetting anyone too much?

Don't Need a Step-Grandpa

A: Right, the magical non-upsetting

way to tell people you don't like them. That's really all this is.

And it's not wrong; you're entitled to your dislikes. It isn't wrong to want Steve not to be "Grandpa" and your mom to stop pushing the sale.

But it's not useful, either. Refusing won't make Steve any more charming, will it? Plus, your mom is already needy and obsessive about Steve's approval rating among her kids. Imagine how she'll respond to such an explicit, symbolic rejection.

Imagine "Hug Grandpa!" times 100.

S:

(1) Recognize your problem is with your mom. Steve's collateral damage.

(2) Drop the Grandpa war as unwinnable. "Grandpa Steve." Whatever. Besides, he is/could be the kids' grandpa figure — with no disrespect to you or others, since caring isn't finite.

(3) Develop your own multifaceted sanity kit for the Mom Show. Indulge her a little when it doesn't cost you much emotionally; push back a little when you need to on principle; make nice to her and/or Steve a little, leave the room a little, play Mom-Brags-on-Steve Bingo a little. Concentrate a lot on seeing the good.

(4) Trust the littles to mispronounce "Grandpa Steve" — then, especially if the kids love him and/or he's good to them, welcome "Goopy"/"Skeezzy"/"Pesky" as your blue sky after Mom's self-inflicted storm.

She is, after all, far more at fault here than Steve is.

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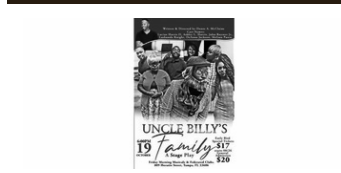
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