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Seventy years ago _____ Name of a Person and _____ Name of a Person welcomed beautiful baby girl _____ Name of a Person into this world. No seriously! Legend has it, they quickly changed her name when friends and family brought gifts and said "This is _____ Common Phrase Rena" which sounded an awful lot like a breakfast cereal.

She grew up to be an athlete, an activist and an executive, as well as, an attentive mom, wife, grandmother, daughter, sister and friend.

As a mom to me, and now a grandmother to Darcy and Sydney, I have to say that patience has definitely been her virtue. Although, I've spent a fair amount of time thinking "She's going to kill me", which is a sentiment that I know my father shares. Now to be fair, we probably deserve it.

Now for those of you who know me well, know that I'm a fairly confident, independent person. I've been a proud believer that I've honed my own views and opinions based on my personal experiences and knowledge. However, recently I learned that may not actually be the case. I realize this more and more as I see my kids spend time with my mom. For example, my four year-old daughter came home from spending time with Mommom last fall, looked at me and said "Donald Trump lives on Stupid Planet and anyone who votes for him lives on Stupid Planet". My mother looks at me and says "They are never too young".

My mother puts other's needs before her own. She is generous and makes sure that we are all taken care of. I especially love traveling with her as she always takes us to the best and coolest places. She's constantly brainstorming different events, dinners, trips, and of course parties to ensure a good time is had by all. We are very

lucky and very grateful!

From me, Jeff, Darcy and Sydney, we love you and Happy Birthday!