

My Favorite Day of the Year

Happy birthday to you~Happy birthday to you~Oh wait, not to you, to me! On my birthday, I always get lots of gifts, which makes me feel happy as anyone else. So, birthday is often our favorite day. I guess you've probably heard many birthday stories so far today. Too bad you're going to hear another one, but not mine, it's my mom's birthday. It's my favorite day of the year.

Every year on my mom's birthday, the first thing I do is to put a card beside her bed. So when she wakes up, she'd be surprised to see my cards full of gratitude and thankfulness. Then, my brother and I would prepare a breakfast for her, eggs with fried bacon, lots of lettuce, and our love. When I grow older, I have another birthday "ritual" for her. I would sit beside her, look for her gray hair, and help cut it off. I know the gray hair would be growing endlessly, but in my mind, it's just like her endless love for us. Then, we will enjoy a cake together. After she blew out the candles, she would say: "You grow up, and I grow old. But I'm still happy to see you grow." She never had a birthday wish. She said she's already contented for having us around her, and that's enough. As I saw the number on the birthday cake is getting bigger every year till it became a question mark finally, the time with her became more precious. And I said to her: happy birthday, my queen, we shall celebrate this day next year, the year after the next, and all the years.

Sometimes I am too shy to show my deep love to her, but on this day I can do it without feeling embarrassed. Doing all these for my mom also makes me really proud, proud to make her contented, proud to be her son, and proud to repay her love. The happiness on her face seems telling me: I'm significant to her. The day makes me needed, makes me important, and makes my favorite day of the year. Now, I feel like I should sing one more time: Happy birthday to mom~ Happy birthday to mom~May we celebrate this day every year. (379 words)

Thanks for listening!