



Backyard Memories Instructions for Sending Photos

Want to share your fondest backyard memories with us? We've intentionally made this a slow and fun process! Everything else you do during the course of a day, you are forced to do quickly, get it done, and on to the next thing. Move on to Step 1 when you have some extra time to spend. It will be well worth it, we promise!

Step 1: Find the old Photos

Sneak into your closet, attic, or basement, and pull out that shoe box or album of family photos and wipe off the dust. Yes. Actually give yourself permission to take the time, when no one is around and sift through the memories that made you, you.

Find the photos that reflect the highest moments of your childhood. The photo that instantly paints a grin on your face. Maybe the one where you made the snowman or swung on the tire swing.....played in the treehouse or worked with Dad in the backyard, or your favorite birthday party.

Okay, now go, take your time looking at your old photos, and then come back to finish this, hopefully later than sooner...

Choose your top three photos that you would like to share.

Notice how your frame of mind has completely changed? Why? It is simple. Memories reignite. They take you back to the simpler times when finding hatched eggshells in a nest overwhelmed you with excitement. We all have them, photos that take us back.

Step 2: Recycle your memories

Take the time to go back. Once you have revisited, recreate. Yes, recreate. Think about how much fun would it be to share or introduce the same type of activity to your child and do it.

Step 3: Scan your photos

If your photo was taken with a digital camera, it's too recent! Use your scanner to scan digital images of your photos. If you don't have a scanner, you can go to any photo imaging store to have them create the images for you. Normally, it costs less than one dollar per photo. We can only accept images in .jpg format.

Step 4: Write about your special memory

Write a narrative description for each photo. The narratives are best when kept less than 150 words. Include what was unique about your childhood memory and what makes the photo special to you.

Step 5: Send it to us

For each photo, send one email to memories@littlegreenfootprints.org And include the following information in the body of the email:

1. Your name
2. Daytime phone number.
3. Date or Year the photo was taken
4. City and State the photo was taken
5. Indicate whether this memory was Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter, or All Seasons
6. Your narrative description of your (100-150 words)
7. Please include this statement in your email message to keep us out of trouble: I give permission to Little Green Footprints LLC, to use any attached photos, narrative and contents of this email on the LittleGreenFootprints.org website or in any product sold on the Little Green Footprints website. All contents of this email including photos shall become property of Little Green Footprints, LLC.

Quick Checklist before Sending:

1. Select your top 3 photos
2. Scan photos in .jpg format (only .jpg format will be accepted)
3. Write a narrative description for each photo
4. Prepare one email for each photo, include the following in each email:
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 - (2) Daytime phone number
 - (3) Date or Year the photo was taken
 - (4) City and State the photo was taken
 - (5) Indicate whether this memory was Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter, or All Seasons
 - (6) Your narrative (please limit to 150 words)
 - (7) Please include this statement in your email: I give permission to Little Green Footprints LLC, to use any attached photos, narrative and contents of this email on the LittleGreenFootprints.org website or in any product sold on the Little Green Footprints website. All contents of this email including photos shall become property of Little Green Footprints, LLC.
 - (8) Send your email to memories@littlegreenfootprints.org

Thank you so much for sharing with Little Green Footprints!