

Things I Want My Grandson's to Know.

- Never – Ever Do Drugs!
- Learn how to type or keyboard at a minimum of 55 words a minute.
- Learn how to start a fire without matches.
- Learn to survive in any wilderness condition.
- Learn how to read and use a compass and map.
- Learn how to swim.
- Learn what plants and animals are edible in the wild.
- Learn how to make a weapon and a snare in the wild.
- Learn how to raise animals and grow vegetables for food.
- Learn a second language, learn the Morse Code, and International Signals of Emergency.
- Learn how to question everything and think independently.
- Learn First Aid and CPR.
- Learn how to tie at least 10 different rope knots.
- Learn how to detect a lie.
- Learn how to close your mouth and listen.
- Learn how to do anything you pay someone else to do for you, whether it is changing oil, a tire, or fixing a faucet.

Learn and follow the “Cowboy Code” as I formed it for myself:

1. Your livestock and the animals you care for come before yourself.
2. Love your Family and God (The Big Guy).
3. Live each day with courage.
4. Take pride in your work. Perfect is good.
5. Always finish what you start.
6. Wait 30 minutes, think about it, and do what has to be done.
7. Be tough, but fair, never steal and never cheat anyone.
8. *When you make a promise... keep it.*
9. Know where to draw the line.
10. Be clean in thought, word, deed, and dress.

My Favorite Quote Related to People and Life:

“I won’t be wronged. I won’t be insulted. I won’t be laid a-hand on. I don’t do these things to other people, and I require the same from them.” Quote from *the Shootist* (1976) by John Wayne.

More Random Thoughts I try to live by!

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