



## Father's Day June 21, 2026

### Father's Day Quotes

Inspirational and heartwarming to share...

- *"A father is someone you look up to no matter how tall you grow."*  
— Unknown
- *"Anyone can be a father, but it takes someone special to be a dad."*  
— Anne Geddes
- *"A father's love is forever imprinted on his child's heart."*  
— Unknown
- *"The quality of a father can be seen in the goals, dreams and aspirations he sets not only for himself, but for his family."*  
— Reed Markham

### Is Father's Day a federal holiday?

- No. Father's Day is nationally observed but is not a federal office closure day.

### How did Father's Day start?

- Father's Day gained momentum early 20th century - an official US observance in the 1970s.

### Why Does Father's Day Change Every Year?

- Because Father's Day is tied to a specific day of the week (Sunday) rather than a fixed calendar date, it shifts each year.
- This tradition was established to create a dedicated day to honor fathers and father figures.

### History of Father's Day

The history of Father's Day dates back to the early 20th century, when Sonora Smart Dodd of Spokane, Washington, wanted to create a holiday to honor her father. Her father, William Jackson Smart, was a Civil War veteran who raised six children as a single parent after his wife died in childbirth.

Inspired by the newly established Mother's Day, Sonora Smart Dodd campaigned for a similar holiday to honor fathers. The first Father's Day celebration was held on June 19, 1910, in Spokane, Washington. However, it took many years for the holiday to gain national recognition. In 1972, President Richard Nixon signed a proclamation making Father's Day a national holiday in the United States.

Today, Father's Day is celebrated in many countries around the world, though the dates vary by country. The holiday serves as a day to honor fathers, grandfathers, and father figures for their contributions to family and society.

### **The Remote Control**

There is one thing Dad holds most dear,  
More precious than his cans of beer,  
He guards it closely, day and night,  
And grips it with impressive might,  
We reach for it, and he shakes his head,  
“The remote is mine,” is what he said.  
So on this day we'll let him be,  
The king of our front room TV!

### **Everything You Are**

You were there before I knew your name,  
Before I learned to walk or speak or claim,  
A place in this big world all my own,  
You were the reason I have grown,  
You taught me how to stand up tall,  
And how to rise each time I fall,  
You showed me kindness, strength, and grace,  
And always kept a smile on your face,  
No words I write could ever say,  
How much I love you every day,  
But on this day I want you to know,  
You are the reason I continue to grow.

### **The Quiet Things**

It wasn't in the grand gestures or the noise,  
It was in the quiet, steady joys,  
The way you drove me without a word,  
The way you listened and always heard,  
The way you waited up when I was late,  
And never once made me feel like a weight,  
The sacrifices you made without a sound,  
The love you gave that knew no bounds,  
It's in the quiet things you always do,  
That I find the very best of you.