

Linda Marshall

## THE LOVE BUG (VW)

Fast Eddy stood firmly in a puddle of oil, arms folded.

"I want my 15-year-old green VW painted FIRE ENGINE RED, please. Your ad said warranty provided. I want a 20 year warranty."

"But, but, but," said the manager politely "We only guarantee our work for 5 years. By the way, how old are you?"

"I'm 92 years young" said Fast Eddy.

"OK", said the smiling manager, "I have a special, just for you. We will give you a 30 year warranty."

Fast Eddy left the shop satisfied.



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## THE GRADUATE

I walked down the grassy aisle in my green and gold robe.  
"Way to go mom" my family cheering me on.  
I felt like a Nobel Prize winner when I heard my name.  
OMG, after 20+ years there it was, my college diploma in my sweaty palm.  
I didn't stop there, my master's degree three years later  
After that who knows...

Linda Marshall studying while the family takes over the chores



## MAGNA CUM BARELY (THE Graduate II )

Angst in the air,  
Cap and gown over his Rolling Stones tee shirt and grubby sneakers  
"Come on son, this is a great day" we said.  
"Mom, Dad, I have something to tell you" sweat beading on his brow  
"I may not get my actual diploma" Evan sheepishly swallowing his saliva.  
"They are holding it back"  
Evan finally paid four years of parking tickets.  
The diploma arrived two months later in the mail

(Evan, later on as a TV producer, editor and videographer)

