I believe everyone deserves flowers on their grave. – Elvia Bautista

The day my fiancé fell to his death, it started to snow, just like any November day, just like the bottom hadn't fallen out of my world when he freefell off the roof. – Mary Cook

If I have one operating philosophy about life it is this: "Be cool to the pizza delivery dude; it's good luck." – Sarah Adams

My father told me I was fat. And lazy. And stupid. – Cherie, Menomonee Falls, WI

The first time I got drunk, I was in the eighth grade. – Ursula, Newport, OR

I believe I learned everything I needed to know about how to live the good life from my childhood dog, Buster. – Fred, Weaverville, NC

One spring morning, as I was leaving the parish hall where I had taken the kids to Sunday school, a young homeless man met me at the door. He was hungry, and shivering in the cold of the brisk morning air. – Joe, Red Hook, NY

I believe in laughter, especially when you can laugh at yourself. And, I'm not talking about a little chuckle or giggle. I am talking about the laughter that makes tears stream down your face, makes your abs feel like you just did 1000 sit-ups, and makes your smiling cheeks burn. – Kelly, State College, PA

I am a good child, obedient. -- Ying Ying Yu - Princeton Junction, New Jersey

I believe that people should take pride in what they do, even if it is scorned or misunderstood by the public at large. – Tony Hawk, San Diego, CA

I believe that families are not only blood relatives, but sometimes just people that show up and love you when no one else will. -- Cecile Gilmer - Logan, Utah

I was 45 years old when I decided to learn how to surf. -- Brian Grazer - Beverly Hills, California

I believe that addiction can kill me, but that writing and performing will save me. -- Quique Aviles - Washington, District of Columbia

My daughter Maia is two, and has just asked about our cat. Our cat is dead. -- Jamaica Ritcher - Turner, Australia