

THE LEWIS CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH WISHES YOU A HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

As we celebrate Father's Day, we are especially grateful for the exemplary life of John R. Wooden, a remarkable father and teacher whose simple yet profound lessons touched millions of lives. "It isn't what you do, but how you do it," he said. And nobody did it better than Coach Wooden. A basketball Hall of Famer as a player, coach and teacher, John Wooden was also an outstanding husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather who cherished his family every day of his life. After his beloved wife Nell died in 1985, Coach Wooden left a love letter on her pillow every month. In his work life, Coach Wooden was simply in a class by himself. He was honored by ESPN as the greatest coach of the 20th Century after his UCLA basketball teams won 10 NCAA titles, including seven in a row. His coaching made him famous, but he always thought of himself as a teacher. After he retired in 1975, this humble man wrote nearly 20 best-selling books that inspired children and adults to lead more meaningful lives. He left us earlier this month at age 99, but we shall never forget Coach Wooden's love of learning and the excellence his teachings fostered. We salute the legacy of this highly principled man whose wondrous life exemplifies the values the Lewis Center stands for and the vital role fathers play in our lives, not just on Father's Day, but each and every day.