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"CyberCafe" <pkbk@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:42d6ef9e_3@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

> Sandi wrote:

>> Hi, y'all, I just had to vent.

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>> My Mom is gone on a trip, so I promised to call my grandmother every
>> couple of days and check on her. I've been trying to reach her since
>> Tuesday, and her line is either busy or she doesn't answer every single
>> time. I'm an hour and a half drive away from her, so I can't just pop
>> in.

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>> What aggravates me is that I know she does this on purpose to worry us
>> and also to then be able to say we haven't called. But you know, she's
>> almost 87, and you can never be sure that she isn't sick or something, so
>> I have to worry anyway.

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>> My mom goes to visit her every day, and sometimes she will come to the
>> door, and sometimes she won't. She'll be inside, just sitting there, and
>> won't open the door! Often Mom ends up leaving the food she makes her on
>> the porch and just leaving. Then later she says, "Well, I was right
>> here, you should have knocked harder." The problem is, how the heck are
>> we going to know if something does happen to her? Mom has a key to her
>> place, and I told her to start unlocking the door and going in when she
>> won't answer, but she won't do it.

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>> So here I sit, dialing and dialing when I don't have time to dial and
>> dial. What a bummer. Why do people have to be so weird????

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> Does she have one of those medic alert lifeline devices a person can wear
> and press the button when they are in trouble? Sounds like she would be
> an ideal candidate for one of them.

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> Barb

Nah, she's perfectly able to get to the phone. She's doing it on purpose.
It's not a new thing for her, though. She's always done this sort of thing.
After my mom started spending winters in Florida, she got a lot worse about
it. Mom will go over there and ask her if she needs to go to the store or

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anything, and she'll say no, and then 5 minutes after Mom leaves she starts walking to the drugstore or the grocery store, and tells the neighbors she doesn't have a way to get there. Stuff like that!

She answered the phone a little while after I posted before, and of course is just fine, and was right there, and just didn't hear the phone. When it was busy for 3+ hours the other night I know it was off the hook.

She even guilted Mom into selling her little Florida place, which she dearly loved and enjoyed much more than she enjoys being here, and staying back in WV full time. :(

It's not an old person thing, it's a mess-with-ya thing. Thanks for your replies, and for reading my rant!

Sandi

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