

[Doug Hecox](#), who says he is 85, lives in Wesley Heights. He is an author and comedian who has performed in comedy clubs throughout the country. In 2008, he recorded a comedy CD, and he has appeared on Country Music Television and was on NBC's "Last Comic Standing" in 2010.

Hecox says one of his first-grade classmates told him he should be a comedian when he grew up. "Not knowing what a comedian was at the time," he said, "I was sort of offended."

Comedic material often comes to him when he is tired. "There was a time when I slept with a notepad and pen, but I've graduated to sleeping with my cellphone and tweeting my latest thoughts. My followers are seeing jokes in their purest, unprocessed form."

Hecox's [tweet](#): "*The candles on her cake complicated things in Grandma's oxygen tent, but she died doing what she loved: complaining about the heat. [#wphumor](#)*"

Erin Jackson: This joke is about murder, right? Hilarious.

Lewis Black: It's nice and dark, and I am always partial to dark comedy.