

DEAR ANN

Reader wants success defined

Editor's Note: Ann Landers answered her readers' letters up to her death on June 22. This was her last column.

Dear Ann Landers: A long time ago, you printed a terrific definition of success. It made a huge impression on me. Would you please print it again, and this time, I promise to clip it and put it in a safe place. — Ohio Fan



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Dear Ohio: With pleasure. This definition was written in 1904 by Bessie Anderson Stanley. It is one of my favorites:

Success

He has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often and loved much; who has enjoyed the trust of pure women, the respect of intelli-

gent men and the love of little children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task; who has left the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem or a rescued soul; who has never lacked appreciation of Earth's beauty or failed to express it; who has always looked for the best in others and given them the best he had; whose life was an inspiration; whose memory a benediction.