

3/31/98 10:00pm

you got the checker post two days ago -
309 file accurate. you did not go to
your grand^{father} although your father made
a great appearance. I called him
to tell him you were quite proudly
make with the post and would not
be playing. He just smiled, a lay
and half after spinning out you were
aside, to see how you were doing. He
said ~~you~~ he would bring you some
books tomorrow after work. In a
way I was hoping he did not call,
I was disappointed when he did.
So I still myself, "sure, at 10:00
at night after his chat in checker
were off!" Justifying my feelings.
I realize that is the extent of
your father's expression of love.
I suppose it is love. How can it
not be - you are his son. I am
sure in his mind it seemed very
he loves you. He can only display
that love through "pieces" for
them. I suppose you have with
you the memories you create while
with me and the objects you
possess of him. you get us

both, just differently. I do not believe I will ever like your father. Mostly because he does not do things the way I do. A large part however, is because he lives in words, so disliking that it impacts your world. At least right now he does. Perhaps someday he will change. I still wonder, Where will he be for you? Emma had her own issues with him; Where will he be for her?

I am not the greatest
I am not the best
I do love you .

Emma