



“Published his first story at 80. Now 87 — and he's just getting started.”

H.D. Ingles is proof it's never too late to start. Born in 1939 in Huntington, West Virginia — the youngest of seven, and the only boy — he served in the U.S. Air Force from 1958 to 1962 before building a long career as a Senior Programmer at IBM. It wasn't until his 80s, after decades in the corporate world, that he picked up a pen for the first time — and discovered he had stories to tell.

Now 87 and living in Cary, North Carolina, Ingles shares front-porch humor, Appalachian heritage, and nostalgic slices of American life with readers on Facebook and at HDIngles.com, in a voice readers compare to Mark Twain, Lewis Grizzard, and Andy Rooney — and he's ramping blog posts back up on the website alongside his regular Facebook updates. His 14th book, *American Memories: Stories of Heritage, Humor, and Home*, is available in paperback, ebook, and audiobook.

Along the way, Ingles has built a following of nearly 40,000 readers on Facebook — and personally replies to every single comment.

FAST FACTS

Age: 87

Hometown: Huntington, WV

Now based in: Cary, NC

Military: U.S. Air Force veteran
(1958–1962)

Career: Former IBM Senior
Programmer

Publishing debut: Age 80

Book: *American Memories:
Stories of Heritage, Humor, and
Home*

Facebook: ~40,000 followers

Publishes on: Facebook &
HDIngles.com blog

Website: HDIngles.com

STORY ANGLES

- ♦ **The late bloomer:** Didn't publish a word until 80. His story is living proof that a creative second act can start at any age.
- ♦ **The veteran humorist:** A U.S. Air Force veteran (1958–1962) whose military years still surface in his writing today.
- ♦ **40,000 readers and growing:** A devoted Facebook following built on small-town Appalachian roots and old-fashioned storytelling — now expanding with a return to regular blog posts on HDIngles.com.
- ♦ **He actually replies:** In an era of automated engagement, Ingles personally answers every comment from his readers.
- ♦ **American nostalgia, told firsthand:** At 87, he's a living link to mid-century small-town America — and he's writing it all down before it's gone.

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