Pleasant surprise for retired couple visiting the dentist

It was toothy grins all round as retired Gloucester couple Cecil and Vera Daniells visited their dentist. The couple, from Firkin Drive, went to their appointment at Oasis Dental Centre completely unaware it was 50 years to the day that Vera, 83, attended the practice for the first time.

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Richard Brown, who has been the couple’s dentist for the last 50 years, realized the landmark date whilst looking at Vera’s records.

He organized a surprise presentation of flowers for Vera and gardening vouchers for Cecil. Cecil, 87, said they had gone to the appointment thinking it was just a normal day.

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Why !!!!!

A visitor to the graveyard couldn’t help noticing a man kneeling in front of a gravestone, clasping his hands and sobbing. The visitor went a bit closer and could hear what the man was saying.

‘Why did you have to die?’ he was repeating, ‘Why did you have to die?’

Feeling he ought to do something, the visitor laid his hand on the man’s shoulder.

‘Was it someone you loved very much?’ he asked gently.

The man looked up at him and said, ‘no, I never met him, he was my wife’s first husband.’

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DENTAL FACTS

The number of cavities in the average mouth is down and people are keeping their teeth longer. People, on average, have healthier mouths than even 10 years ago. Specifically:

Use of dental sealants, which block tooth decay on the chewing surfaces of kids’ vulnerable molars, was up 64%. 30% of kids had had at least one sealed tooth.

Only 40% of young people age 6 to 19 had ever had cavities. That’s down from 50% a decade ago.

Over the last ten years the proportion of people age 60 who’d lost all their teeth had decreased from 35% to 25%.

Every year, kids in North America spend close to half a billion dollars on chewing gum.

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