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EMBARRASSING PARENTS

**STARS: THEY'RE
JUST LIKE US**
ASHLEE AND
JESSICA SIMPSON'S
FATHER, JOE,
LOVES MUGGING
FOR THE CAMERA.

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SIMPSON**



Growing up is hard to do—and embarrassing parents don't make it any easier. Melissa Walker reports on how to deal.

Sheryl, nineteen, remembers her biggest humiliation like it happened yesterday. "I was at a friend's pool party and my crush, Jacob, asked if anyone could give him a ride home," says the Louisville, Kentucky, native. "When my dad picked us up and heard Jacob's name, he said, 'Oh, you're the one who curls her toes.' I can laugh about it now, but I cried for the longest time that night."

At a tenth grade Valentine's Day formal, Renee, seventeen, from Liverpool, New York, says she was mortified when her mother came to pick >