

# IRONIC

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An old man turned ninety-eight  
He won the 1) ..... and died the next day  
It's a black fly in your Chardonnay  
It's a 2) ..... row pardon two minutes too late  
And isn't it ironic... don't you think  
It's like rain on your wedding day  
It's a free 3) ..... when you've already paid  
It's the good advice that you just didn't take  
And who 4) ..... thought... it figures  
Mr. Play It Safe was afraid to fly  
He packed his 5) ..... and kissed his kids goodbye  
He waited his 6) ..... damn life to take that flight  
And as the plane crashed down he thought  
"Well isn't this nice..."  
And isn't it ironic... don't you think  
It's like rain on your wedding day  
It's a free ride when you've already paid  
It's the good advice that you just didn't take  
And who would've thought... it 7) .....  
Well life has a funny way of 8) ..... you  
When you think everything's okay and everything's going right

And life has a funny way of 9) ..... when  
You think everything's gone wrong and everything 10) .....  
In your face  
A traffic 11) ..... when you're already late  
A 12) ..... sign on your cigarette break  
It's like ten thousand 13) ..... when all you need is a knife  
It's meeting the man of my dreams  
And then meeting his beautiful wife  
And isn't it ironic... don't you think  
A little too ironic... and, yeah, I really do think...  
It's like rain on your wedding day  
It's a free ride when you've already paid  
It's the good advice that you just didn't take  
Who would've thought... it figures  
Life has a funny way of sneaking up on you  
Life has a funny, funny way of helping you out...  
Helping you out.

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## GLOSSARY

**Death row pardon:** Someone on death row means they're waiting to be executed. A death row pardon that comes two minutes too late means that the pardon comes 2 minutes after the execution.

**It figures**: US, informal (phrase): Reasonable, normal or expected : it is not surprising. "It figures that he will be late today." "He's late." "Well, it figures."

**To sneak up on someone**: To approach someone quietly and surprise that person.

**To blow up**: To burst or explode.

**Traffic jam**: A line or lines of stationary or very slow-moving traffic, caused by roadworks, an accident, or heavy congestion.