

October 23, 2015

Dear Mrs. Dingman,

What do you think pumpkin life is like? Oh, wait a second, let me introduce myself! My name is Pumpie, and I live on a beautiful pumpkin farm with big, magnificent trees surrounding it. One of my favorite things to do is take in all the sights such as the many vines creeping around, the seeds scattered everywhere, other pumpkins, and the quite intelligent farmers who take care of us. There are also very interesting smells on the pumpkin farm, like flowers and pumpkin pie. Then, there are the bad smells such as dirty child feet that are always running around the farm, and the disgusting mush all over the ground. The few things that I taste may not be interesting to you, but I love them! They are mostly natural things, such as dirt and water, but I like fertilizer too. Fertilizer tastes a little bit off to me, but that doesn't mean I don't like it. As you may have guessed, we pumpkins do feel things. Things that feel good, like the wind and the cool ground, and things that don't feel so good, like the vibrations that children make as they storm around the farm like they own it! Sometimes, I just want to reach my vines out and trip those undersized, disrespectful, loud-mouthed elephants, and make them fall flat on their devilish faces!

Okay, now onto the important things. I mean, I know I'm a pumpkin and all, but pumpkins have lives to live, sights to see, and most importantly, children to ignore! Also, have you ever thought that those scary ghost decorations that scream and what -not may be a more efficient option? First off, I'm not a completely ripe pumpkin and we pumpkins get moldy fast. Those ghosts on the other hand, never get moldy, are less expensive than pumpkins, and are made out of completely reusable materials that last year -round without any negatives! Also, I am a very heavy pumpkin. I think I weigh about sixty-five pounds at the least! Exactly! I didn't think that you would want to be carving a sixty-five pound pumpkin full of icky, gooey mush! Do you like easy-to-carve pumpkins? Well, then I am definitely not the pumpkin for you because my skin is extremely tough to scratch or puncture, and is pretty rough. What I'm really asking of you is to please, please, please purchase a scary ghost decoration instead of me, Pumpie, and my pumpkin friends because if you think about it, those ghost decorations are much more durable, much more efficient, and last a lot longer than I do.

Sincerely,

Pumpie

AKA James