I'd love to fall into a vat of chocolate*

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I usually don't eat desserts or consume a lot of sugar, But, how can a serious senior survive without chocolate? Like

Dove Bars1 1My wrapper said "Be with people who make you laugh" Belgian Hazelnut filled sea shells2 2My favorite Fudge bars Hersey bars, Hershey bars with almonds Brownies, especially fresh baked, warm, super fudge A cup of hot chocolate chocolate éclairs Godiva chocolates German chocolate cake M&Ms, M&Ms with peanuts Lindt chocolate bars3 3Any flavor chocolate covered blueberries chocolate covered cashews chocolate covered anything Of course, I can't remember the first time I had chocolate 4 4My age has nothing to do with this I can remember the last time I had chocolate5 5About 20 minutes ago I heard that Hershey is changing the imprint on its chocolate bars for the first time in over hundred years 678 6 I have forgotten what the new imprint is 7 My age does have something to do with that 8 John J. Trause reminded me the imprint will change from Hershe to Theythem There are those who have not stepped barefoot into a vat of chocolate 9 10 9That includes me 10 It is far better to have a spoon or ladle There is nothing better than to pop a piece of dark chocolate into my mouth and let it melt11 11and coat my tongue and roof of my mouth One of my favorite teenage memories is a comic routine performed by the Smothers Brothers12 12 Tommy did love his mother best Where they sang: "Oh, I fell into a vat of chocolate, I fell into a vat of chocolate..." and seriously explored the consequences... 13 14 15 13 for example, one does not yell "FIRE" to elicit help in extricating a body from a vat of chocolate 14 I'd love to fall into a vat of chocolate 15 My first husband used to say, "I'll be dipped..." 16 I'm still waiting...

*Tribute to the Smothers Brothers, especially Tommy who passed December 26, 2023 at the age of 86