Aunt Evelyn’s Letters

Ruth Truth

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For our June issue, artist Barton Benes collaborates with his late friend Ruth Truth, a confirmed cross-dresser (see photo), and his late Aunt Evelyn, a confirmed crank (see text), to ask the old question “Male or female?” in a new way. Happy gay pride.

Artist Barton Benes collaborates with his late friend Ruth Truth

FUNNY, YOU MADE AN ISSUE OF SAYING HE WAS ALL MALE UNDERNEATH, AND YET YOU OFTEN SAY “SHE” AND “GIRL” REFERRING TO RUTH TRUTH. IS THIS WHAT RUTH WANTS, OR YOU? I THINK THAT RUTH HAD BETTER TAKE ANOTHER LOOK, JUST TO BE SURE.

IS HE CONSIDERED A TRANSVESTITE? I DON’T KNOW HOW FAR THEY GO. HE REALLY MUST LIKE WOMEN’S CLOTHES, SO MAYBE THAT MAKES HIM ONE.

I DON’T LIKE DRESSING UP BECAUSE I HATE SHOPPING. I HATE EVERYTHING I LOOK AT OR TRY ON, AND ACTUALLY FEEL LIKE CRYING, SO I DON’T BOTHER SHOPPING.

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