



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.