



You have to love a nation that celebrates its

INDEPENDENCE

every July 4, not with a parade of



**GUNS, TANKS,
AND SOLDIERS**

who file by the White House in a show of strength and muscle,

**BUT WITH
FAMILY
PICNICS**

where kids throw Frisbees,

the potato salad gets iffy,

and the flies die from happiness.

You may think you have overeaten, but it is

PATRIOTISM.

 **Erma Bombeck**

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