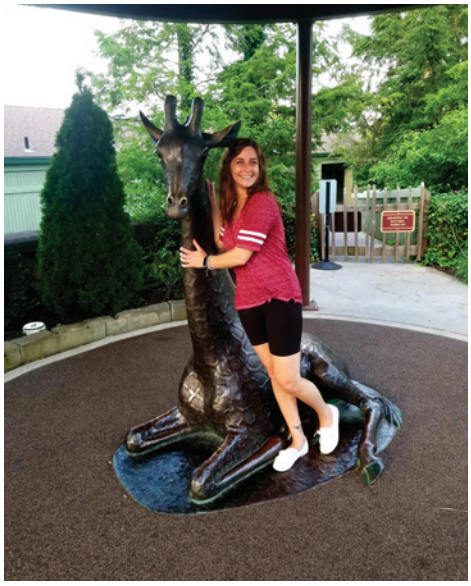
Kelli

about me



Hi! My name is Kelli and I'm 38 years old.

I currently work as an Office Manager at a heating and cooling company, only a few miles from my home. It is a small, locally family-owned business. I felt right at home within the first few minutes of my interview with them. We are all like family, and they definitely treat me as such. Prior to my current job, I worked at a chemical company for 8 years as the Operations Manager, and an urgent care/occupational medicine facility for 8 years prior to that. I attended community college right out of high school for 2 semesters when I realized that school was not for me.

In my free time I like to work out, take walks, hike, bike ride (anything outside, really), spend time with my family, snuggle with the kitties, and watch TV/movies.

Fun Facts/Favorite Things

Favorite color: Teal

Favorite foods: Hamburgers and pickles

Favorite movie: Titanic

Favorite season: Summer

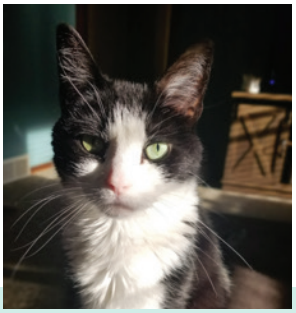
Favorite holiday: Thanksgiving

Favorite animal: Giraffe

Hobbies: Spending time with Shane, gardening, working out (home gym), watching TV and movies, relaxing, playing with the cats, hanging out with my family and friends

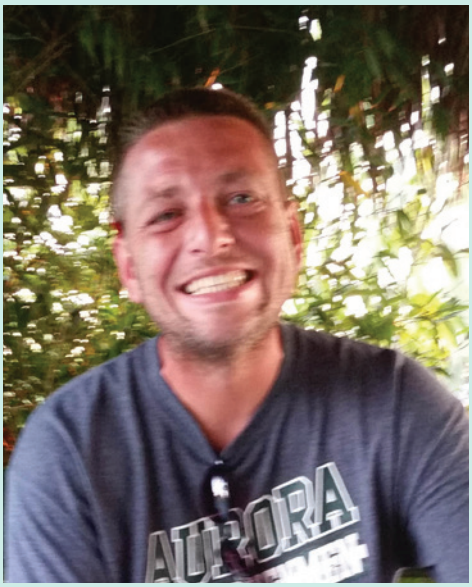
my home

We bought our home in October 2019. It is a one-story (ranch) home, with a full, unfinished basement. There is a bonus room on the back of the home that was added by the previous owner. It will eventually be refinished as a sun room and play room. We have 3 bedrooms, 2.5 bathrooms, kitchen and dining room, and a family room with a wood burning fireplace that we love to use in the winter. We live on .99 acres in the "country", and our back yard is surrounded by trees for excellent privacy. We have gorgeous sunrises and sunsets, and have a quaint little front porch where we like to enjoy warm summer evenings. There is a large housing development across the street from our house, which is low traffic and great for taking walks and bike rides.



We have 3 cats; Smokey (12, girl), Felix (9, boy), and Sasha Sue (2, girl). They are very lovey, playful, kitties with personalities the size of the moon!

about shane
(from Kelli)



This may sound a bit cliché, but Shane is one of the hardest working men I know. He will not stop until the work is done, and darn near perfect. He is an amazing dad, as I've been able to witness for the last 11 years of our relationship. He is kind, generous, and very funny... except when he's telling dad jokes. He is loyal and caring and a big, giant goofball.

I admire his drive and wish I had HALF of his smarts. He is very mechanically inclined and can do pretty much anything he puts his mind to. He works on our cars, rebuilds tractors, and built a beautiful pond with a waterfall in our front yard, just to name a few things. If his friends or family ever need help with anything, he will be there in a heartbeat for whatever they need.

about kelli
(from Shane)

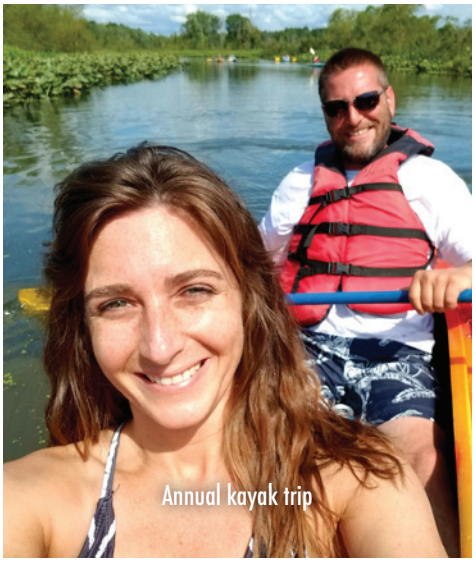
11 years ago, I met a young, beautiful, smart and determined to be a mother, person named Kelli. Kelli is a very special person in my life with her many other great qualities. She has a very big heart and is well liked with whomever she meets. She has wanted to be a mom for as long and I have known her, and it shows that she would be a great mom with the way she has treated my two kids as her own from day one.

Both of our hearts dropped when we found out that birthing a child was not an option for her. Adoption came up in a conversation, and being the wonderful person that she is, she did not hesitate to say 'yes' to welcoming someone else's child(ren) into our home.

She has the drive to be extremely successful, and the ambition to take on more in life to raise a family of her own. She has as lot of knowledge in her background to understand and to give a child a loving and safe home. There is nothing more important in her life than her family, myself, and my two children, and she is looking forward to being a wonderful mother to any child, regardless of race, sex, or ethnic background.

Shane and I in Sedona, AZ

Shane's 20th High School Reunion


Annual kayak trip

OUR friends and family

Having a close relationship with my family and friends is extremely important to me. Both of my parents have multiple siblings, and as kids, my two brothers and I spent a lot of time around them and their kids (our cousins). We all lived within 15 minutes of each other and had get-togethers all the time. Now that we're all older, and some of our cousins have kids of their own, we still make it a point to all gather together quite a few times a year for cookouts, birthdays, and holidays. My parents, my brothers, and I still live within 10 minutes of each other and see each other multiple times per month. My younger brother and his wife just had their first child in December, so I am very happy that my new addition will have a cousin close in age like I did growing up.

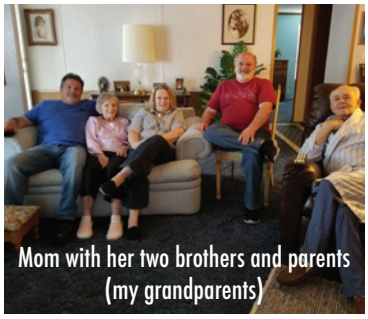
Shane's family is small, with only him, his mom, one sister and one uncle. His dad sadly passed away in 2014. I've always considered them as an extension of my own family. His sister is only a few years younger than I am, and we have always gotten along so well.

I tend to keep my friend circle small, with only the people I know that I can trust with my life. My very best friend lives right around the corner from me, and we talk every day. Two of my close friends live out of state, so while we talk all the time, we don't see each other as often as I'd like. But when we do see each other, it's like no time has passed.

Me and my parents at my aunts 60th birthday

Friends Dean & Claire with Shane and I in Sedona

Baseball game with mom, dad, and uncle


Mom with her two brothers and parents (my grandparents)

My best friend, Katie, and I seeing a local country band

Football game with mom

Moms side of the family for uncle's birthday

Shane and I with his daughter (Madison) and niece (Taylor) in Savannah, GA

Madison and I at the top of the sky tower

My brothers (Brian and Alex) and I

Gavin's senior prom

Family birthday party (brother and sister in law pictured)

Annual 4th of July family game time

Dear birth parent(s),

Thank you for taking your time to learn a little snippet about me and my life; I'm very happy that I can share it with you. Please know that I welcome any questions you may have, and I would love to learn more about you, too.

Shane and I met roughly 15 years ago when he owned a home on the street behind my parents. We would see each other during cook outs and small gatherings. One day, my mom said to me "you and Shane should hang out, you two get along great", and the rest is history. We've been together since March 2012 and purchased our first home in October 2019. Shane has two children from a previous relationship; a 19-year-old boy, Gavin, and a 13-year-old girl, Madison. Madison stays with us every Wednesday night and every other weekend. She is also with us every other week during summer vacation, and some holidays throughout the year. Gavin did the same until he turned 18. He now visits a few times a month, and holidays. Both kids know that they can turn to Shane and I for anything they need, or for any questions they have about life.

As a family, we love spending time outdoors. We take walks or bike rides weekly when the weather cooperates. We play volleyball and kickball outdoors in the spring/summer. We love board games and coloring; we have movie night (at home) with our favorite...popcorn! Madison plays volleyball for the rec department and we enjoy watching her play every weekend in the spring. She also competes in horse jumping shows a few times a year which we enjoy as well.

We are completely open to accepting a child of a different race than our own. The cities we grew up in had a pretty diverse population, and we both had friends of different races during our school years. I am beyond thrilled to be on this journey to becoming a mother, and Shane is very excited to be a dad to another little blessing. We have so much love to give that your child will never know anything but love in their life.

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WHY adoption

I have known for almost my entire adult life (and earlier) that I wanted to be a mother one day. Every summer when I was younger, even, I would wake up at the crack of dawn and go to work with my mom who worked at a daycare center, just so I could help with the kids.

As I got older, the feelings became stronger and I knew that I would have a beautiful little family of my own one day. However, back in August 2012 I found out that I have uterine fibroids. After 4 hysteroscopic myomectomies over the course of 9 years, I was told that I would have less than a 1% chance of conceiving. This is when I decided that adoption, over my other options, would be the way I wanted to grow my family.