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Krystal Waterbury - Return to Seldovia

by Mary Glover



Spotlighted this week is a little family that has taken up residence in Seldovia, coming from Anchorage. However, the Seldovia history is long with this little family. Mom, Krystal Waterbury, was born in Seldovia and was delivered by our resident doctor, Larry Reynolds, MD. Krystal states that she was one of the last babies delivered by Dr. Reynolds due to the fact Dr. Reynolds decided not to have an obstetrics practice in Seldovia. (In defense of Dr. Reynolds, Seldovia does not have the facilities to handle deliveries with complications and it is better for mom and baby to travel to Homer to be delivered. Moms go early, stay in a motel and wait for the baby to come. Ah, life in Seldovia!)

Krystal grew up in Seldovia. Her father, mother and three brothers came to Seldovia in the 60's. Her grandfather worked at the log mill on Jakolof Road which later was shut down but recently has had some activity. Krystal states that while she was in high school, one of her favorite memories was cross-country skiing and cross-country running. Krystal also has one younger sister who lives in Anchorage.

Krystal and children have many relatives in Seldovia: Krystal's mother is Dale Ann Waterbury and her step-father is Ray Waterbury, Sr. If you are trying to figure out a consanguinity

Krystal came back to Seldovia to help take care of her mother and just loves being back. Her three children are not strangers to Seldovia as they have spent time in the summers with their grandparents. As you can see from the cute picture above, the three children are: Dylan who just turned 10 years old; Ariana, 8 years old; and Ashanté, 5 years old. The family likes to play music together: Dylan plays the electric guitar; Ariana plays the acoustic guitar; Krystal plays the base; and Ashanté keeps rhythm on small drums. The family also loves to go to swimming together on Friday nights at Susan B. English School's Olympic-size swimming pool. Dylan and Airana have learned to swim.

Krystal stated that being a single parent in Anchorage was hard. She said, "We did not have a Boys & Girls Club here in Seldovia when I was growing up. The kids enjoy Seldovia so much more than Anchorage. I was so busy in Anchorage, I lost myself. I am finding it here. When someone asks me now, 'How are you?' I reply, 'Better than excellent. Everyone is adjusting fine.'" Krystal is employed by Main St. Market and has experience in accounting/QuickBooks from her previous job in Anchorage. She will be taking over Marietta's job as bookkeeper for Main St. Market on Sept. 1 when Marietta retires.

chart on this family----good luck! Krystal married Tony Waterbury and a year later Dale Ann married Ray Sr. (Tony Waterbury is Ray Sr.'s son.) Thus, Krystal's children are cousins to Gale and Ray Jr.'s children, also of Seldovia.

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