



A Note from The Sellers: Our Favorite Things About 1313 Kent St

The Peaceful Setting

- The always rejuvenating peacefulness of relaxing outside surrounded by birds chirping and singing. We loved drinking coffee on the patio in the mornings and watching and listening to all of the birds singing and calling to each other; they are particularly active in the mornings. We also loved watching the hummingbirds enjoy the coral honeysuckle on the patio by the garage.
- Coming home from a trip or vacation always brought more peace and relaxation. We would relish in the feeling of relaxing again when we would sit on the patio with coffee on Sunday morning after returning from vacation, as we always felt so peaceful and relaxed surrounded by the trees, plants, and birds.
- Coming home from work or an errand, driving down the driveway and feeling like we had somehow gotten away from everything. We would often pause on the way down the driveway to enjoy the trees, the flowers, the birds, and try to relax!
- The year-round beauty and privacy of having lush greenery around the home. We especially loved the magnolias in the backyard as we still had beautiful green outside of the windows even in winter. In the winter, we also loved the Camilla's in the front yard and the holly bushes around the property as they kept the birds visiting and provided lovely greenery
- In the summer, the tree cover and location partly down a rolling hill always helped our home and outdoor space feel more comfortable than other places. We would come back from a store or errand, and always feel more comfortable on hot days and feel so grateful it was so much nicer there.
- Fall is spectacular with so many trees and changing colors, including all of the Japanese maples in the backyard that George picked out and we planted
- The beautiful colors of spring that come to life, one after the next throughout the season: all of the daffodil bulbs in the ivy on the Kent St side come first in February, followed by tulips, irises, lilies that often come closer to May, as well as dogwood flowers and beautiful azaleas around the patio
- Watching our girls' imaginations run wild climbing the fig tree (sometimes a pirate ship or a castle) and enjoying the delicious bounty during the last days of summer

At Home

- Hosting holiday gatherings in our dining room, with an inviting fire in the living room fireplace that could also be enjoyed in the den.
- Cooking and baking together with our family in the kitchen, while guests would relax with appetizers and drinks at the bar.. and still having tons of space.
- Listening to the fireworks at the end of the Durham Bulls games
- Relaxing in the den, surrounded by beautiful light and surroundings, on cool mornings when it was too cold to be outside. George would often make a fire that made it even more cozy.
- Luxurious shower space with rainfall shower and nice natural light for a relaxing start or end to the day
- Cozying up with the family to watch a movie in the den (fireplace was a great spot for a TV)
- Sipping a glass of wine next to the fireplace in the living room

Enjoying The Area

- Peaceful walks in nature to Forest Hills Park, which has a walking path all of the way through that goes through meadows and wooded areas (I used to take some meetings while working from home while walking through the park and feeling connected to nature)
- Walking to Cocoa Cinnamon on Old Chapel Hill Rd for freshly made churros and the incredible coffee (it is award winning... we still buy our coffee from there and have it shipped to our new house!)
- Walking (or 3 minute drive, about 0.5 miles away) to Wine Authorities on university for their free Saturday tastings where we regularly tasted wines and learned about so many different wine regions in the process! There is also a Viv's Fridge to pick up takeout from the famous chef of the Chef and the Farmer (Vivian Howard) in front of Wine Authorities which would make a tasty and relaxing meal on the patio for dinner Saturday or brunch Sunday if we did not feel like cooking or going out.
- We sometimes also walked to the Beer Study nearby, as well as Nuvotaco, Q shack, and more.
- Quick jog or walk to the Lakewood Y for a workout
- Easy shopping at the Durham Co-Op after brunch at Grub

The Neighbors

- Lovely neighbors who would always say hi when going for walks, the neighbors across the street dropping by to talk when we would run into each other
- Our next door neighbors would always happily help out (check on the house when we were out of town, etc.) whenever we needed anything; it always helped us feel ok to know that.