

12 Hilltop Terrace, Chatham, NJ

Welcome to our home! We have lived at 12 Hilltop Terrace for nearly 30 years and while we are excited for the next chapter of our lives, it is with a heavy heart that we must leave behind the home and neighborhood that we love. We wanted to share with you some of the reasons why we think this house and property are so special.

We love the flow of our home. If you are coming home with a carload of groceries or children, the mudroom is right off the garage and the kitchen is just eight steps up. We often say that our home is just the right size. There is enough room for privacy when you need it, but the layout is such that if you have little children (or grumpy teenagers) you are close enough to keep an eye out. We also love that our house is on a level lot. It's such an easy transition to the patio and backyard – you simply open the kitchen or porch door.

Another highlight of the house that we love is the beautiful master bedroom suite. At the end of a long hectic day, it's such a pleasure to be able to walk up the steps, slide the door closed and sit before the gas fireplace, outside on the deck, take a steam shower or soak in the whirlpool tub. Within minutes, the day's stress fades away.

We especially love our tranquil, private and beautifully landscaped backyard. It is fenced but also framed by a lush living privacy screen that has provided the perfect setting for large parties and intimate dinners. It is also a quiet retreat to sit and relax among the beautiful flowers and chirping birds that will become your friends. In the evenings, there are sunset views from the patio. We know that over the years you will come to appreciate the backyard even more than you did on your first visit. You will look forward to the succession of blooming shrubs and perennials that span three seasons and appreciate the mature majestic pin oak, and two Japanese maple trees (there is third one in the front). Over the years, the backyard has had a sandbox, swing set and tetherball court, and has been the location for hundreds of wiffle ball, kickball and soccer games. In 2008 we added the basketball court that our children and nephews still play at when they visit.

And finally, we love our neighborhood. Every month for the past 25 years, neighbors have rotated hosting 'Hilltop Happy Hour,' an informal pizza night where the adults can catch up and the children play together (optional of course if that's not your scene). Our neighbors have babysat our children, watered our plants, taken in our mail, grabbed packages from the front stoop, and even found our runaway dog Holly!

Now finally, it is time for us to go and for you to start creating your own memories here.

Kathryn and Paul Kenny

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