

One Man's Story

OF LOVE, COMMUNITY AND FAMILY

INTRODUCTION

Embarking on my Dallas adventure from my beloved Mississippi, I found myself drawn to the allure of big city living. Dallas, with its vibrant energy and diverse offerings, became the canvas for the next chapter of my life. In 2010, after nearly two decades in my career as a TV news anchor and reporter in Oklahoma City, a layoff prompted a leap of faith. Dallas, a city I had always dreamed of calling home, beckoned with promises of entertainment, professional sports, great restaurants, and convenient travel connections via its major airports. Moreover, the mere six-hour drive to my family in Mississippi added a comforting closeness.

LANDING IN DALLAS

My first Dallas residence was in the Enclave at Grove Hill, a dreamlike community where David Weekley's homes stood as testaments to quality craftsmanship. The two-story haven, boasting nearly 3,000 square feet, four bedrooms, and charming front and backyards, became more than just a house — it was my sanctuary in the heart of Dallas. The gated community, guided by a proactive HOA, not only ensured security, but also fostered a sense of camaraderie through many fun organized events

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As life unfolded, so did my housing journey. A brief stint in a one-bedroom apartment near downtown Dallas marked a chapter of change. However, the beckoning call of homeownership led me to Tenison Village at Buckner Terrace, a hidden gem



located south of I-30 between Ferguson and Jim Miller Road.

Here, three distinguished builders — Pulte, Mattamy, and Ashton Woods — were shaping a neighborhood that was soon to capture my heart. It was so hard to select a builder in the neighborhood because all of the products were appealing. They have a townhome look but are single family homes. All of the builders offer homes that have great style and architectural details. Some even have a NYC brownstone feel and lots of charm. Pulte's traditional charm, exemplified

in the Rybrook model, best resonated with my vision of a perfect home. The 2,449 square feet of space, the thoughtful layout, and the community's southern charm with front and backyards spoke directly to my sense of family and belonging.

A NEW HOME AND A NEW LIFE

Closing on the sale in May, I had just one day to move into my new haven. By September's end, I had transformed it into a reflection of my heart and soul. Living in Tenison Village for a mere three months had already fostered many friendships with neighbors who radiated a true sense of family and community spirit.

From the dreamy beginnings in the Enclave at Grove Hill to the current hidden gem of Tenison Village at Buckner Terrace, these neighborhoods, shaped by builders like David Weekley and Pulte Homes, have become more than physical spaces — they are the backdrop to a life filled with love, resilience, and an overwhelming sense of belonging. Each chapter is etched with the warmth of family ties and the joy of creating lasting memories in the heart of Dallas.











