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#### I AM...

- Half Dutch and half Mexican, and I always thought that was a unique combo
- Named after my Dutch great-great-aunt; nobody pronounces my name correctly, but I'm never offended by it
- Occasionally a stand-in for my husband's social media projects at work and was on a billboard once
- An animal lover and self-proclaimed "cat lady". I also have the sweetest pit bull ever.
- A major control freak and have to remind myself to "let it go" frequently
- All about camping, fishing and hiking and I go on annual kayak trips at Turkey Run
- Married to someone four inches shorter than me – without heels on
- A band geek at heart; I played clarinet for seven years, piano for a couple and now handbells in my church choir
- An avid concert-goer – I go to about 20 concerts a year
- A person with MAJOR anxiety. Agreeing to be featured here made me dizzy and my throat close up.



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