

METAMORPHOSIS TRANSCRIPT EPISODE 1

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So I actually lost my father when I was in sixth grade I was 12 years old. He had myocarditis which is a type of disease that like attacks your heart. And he eventually died of a heart attack. We've done a lot of healing a lot of growing. There is a lot of like finding a new kind of normal after that.

{Maggie Out}

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You're listening to metamorphosis a podcast about periods of great change and growth in people's lives specifically how the change will either make a person grow or break them. This episode focuses on Hi my name is Maggie Burns and her family.

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We weren't really sure if anything was going to happen because like we'd seen a couple guys come and go.

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Maggie's family has changed a lot since her dad's passing but almost four years later her mom has finally decided to start dating again.

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But she met this really awesome guy. His name is Tom Tom Davies and they got married this summer.

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Maggie's mom Laura and her boyfriend Tom had a very relationship. They got married less than a year after their first date at an archery place. You could say it was a shot to the heart.

{Paige Out}

{Maggie In}

They went on a double date sometime mid-August maybe and they went like arching and then she I remember she came home and she was like yeah like nice. I don't know if anything's going to happen with that. And we're like OK. But then it turns out like she had gone out again and I was totally unaware of this like I thought she was done with this guy. But I did end up seeing him like a couple more times. And then all of a sudden. And I think it was either just late December early January like taking down Christmas decorations and she told me about how she was oh she was going to go pick up my sister. She was flying into Indiana because she'd spent the holidays elsewhere. She was just gone and she's going to pick her up from the airport. And the story was that she needed to go. Like super early and I was like What's up with that. Like who. Like Sally's flight comes in that sentence of time you're leaving like four hours early and she's like Oh well I have a meeting before then I was like what's the reading. She and Tom were going to church to plan a wedding. I was like wow that was a little bit of a bombshell.

{Maggie Out}

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There weren't many. Huge day to day changes in the household according to Charlie Maggie's brother. They were still running around on a hectic schedule but there were still some definite differences in their lives.

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Now and like maybe the weirdest thing was because I'm like my sisters off to college and I'm in high school so I'm usually the first one up in the morning and I like to turn on the lights and get myself ready. So it is a little bit of a shock like when you come downstairs and there's someone already there like getting ready because he goes off to work in the morning. But I'm like I mean that was a little thing till I get used to it is like it's nice having two adults in the house again. So I have too many siblings. I have four. I have an older sister Sally. She's 20 years old and she's studying at Ball State University. And then Charlie he's actually a freshman here at Carmel and he is 14 and Danny's 11 and he's in fifth grade. And Tommy is 7 and he's in second grade. I think it's been a little different like from kid to kid. Yes, I get to start with like my sister she I mean she's off in college so she's often like not at home. So it doesn't. It doesn't quite affect her as much because she's not at home a lot and she actually bonded with Tom over the fact that they're both like Ball State students. She was kind of uncomfortable just because like because she's not at home like she doesn't know him as well. So there's a little bit of like. Uneasiness there but for the most part like she was OK with them. My brother Charlie is a little bit of a different story. He actually knew Tom before any of us did because he is best friends with our neighbor's son. Whenever Charlie and our neighbor would like to go out together and if the neighbors were involved Tom was sometimes there because like they were best friends. Yeah. So he was kind of why we were doing him out of it because since he already knew Tom he was like Oh we were like now you're dating my mom.

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There's a little that I think like for Tommy and Danny it's they just got used to him so fast. I think fastest out of all of us I think a lot of that also is kind of because they were so young when my dad passed away that they don't remember him very well. So there wasn't as much of kind of an alien feeling like they didn't quite have the perception. Like here's this guy trying to take the place of our dad because I don't remember my dad as well. There was a lot of emotion that was kind of tied to like maybe Aweida this would be like loyalty to my dad which I know didn't make sense because like at the end of the day all I really wanted was for my mom to be happy. And this guy is Tom. He makes my mom happier than I've seen in such a long time. And like ultimately that's all. Any kid wants for their parent. So like eventually like I'm still kind of like just readjusting. It's a long process and I'm always going to love and miss my dad but like I had to come to terms with the fact that like Tom is not replacing my dad. He's just like also going to be here kind of like it started out being upset but like maybe not for quite the right reasons. And eventually, it was like when you kind of come to terms with like what's happening. It changes your perspective a little bit. I it's like for anyone who's either lost a parent or you're living with separated parents or maybe you're trying to deal with when your parents getting remarried it's going to seem like a shock at first. But like I think like the cliché saying is true like Time heals all

things and it might like it. You don't have to hold yourself accountable for being 100 percent all the time like you can have days that are better than others. And just because today was a good day doesn't mean tomorrow has to also be a good day. So just be gentle with yourself. Take it day by day. It's going to be OK.

{Maggie Out}

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This concludes the inaugural episode of metamorphosis. If you want to listen to more projects like this check out WHJE.com or 91.3 FM I'm Paige Ohrvall and thanks for listening.

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