

KEITH SCHMELLING



CLAIM MANAGER

What is your role at Engle Martin & Associates? How long have you worked for the company? What office are you in?

I am a claim manager/team leader for our offices in Minneapolis, Madison, Detroit, Chicago, Birmingham and Mobile. I've worked for Engle Martin for 5½ years as of May 3, 2020.

Do you have any kids and/or any pets? Tell us about them.

Where to begin? My beautiful wife and I have 6 children ages 32, 28, 26, 24, 12 and 9. Why, yes, we're Catholic, why do you ask? We have three pets in the house as well. Cooper is a 120 lb. mastador (mastiff/labrador mix) who looks like a chocolate lab. Atlas is a fun huskie-doodle and weighs only 50 lbs. Both dogs are controlled by our 14 lb. male, orange tabby cat "Garfield."



Keith's dogs, Cooper & Atlas.

What do you like to do in your free time?

In my free time, I like to spend time with my family. We love to go camping together in the warmer months, and do vacation rentals by owner during the cold months.

If you were planning your dream vacation, where would you go?

I would love to go to Denmark to meet my extended family and then the Alps in Germany to visit our foreign exchange student and her family.



Denmark is a Scandinavian country comprising the Jutland Peninsula and numerous islands. It's linked to Sweden via the Öresund bridge. Copenhagen, its capital, is home to royal palaces and colorful Nyhavn harbor, and the iconic "Little Mermaid" statue.

What is the best advice that anyone has ever given you?

"Remember, it isn't your money or your check book. Work one file at a time."

If a genie gave you a wish, what would you wish for?

I'd wish for the genie's freedom.

Who has been the most influential person in your life?

My big brother, a hard working, dedicated family man, honest and caring.

Do you have any hidden talents?

I enjoy making people laugh and I enjoy singing. I've sung for weddings and one funeral. I've had people buy me drinks for singing and I've won a few karaoke contests too. Now it is time to start working on a stand-up routine!

What are three things you cannot live without?

I can't live without air, water, and food, in that order. After that, I'm on God's good graces. Also, I could not live without my family.



Keith's huge family!.

Right to left: Brittany, Max, Isabella, Debbie, Emelia, Erik, Anna.

What was the first concert you've been to?

My first and only concert was in 1985 when I went to the Mr. Mister concert in Chicago. A little known group called "The Bangles", opened and debuted a song called "Walk Like an Egyptian".



The Bangles are an American pop rock band that formed in Los Angeles, California, in 1981. The band recorded several singles that reached the U.S. Top 10 during the 1980s.