

“I remember becoming the quintessential prep . . . trying to go in the opposite direction from my mom.”



mother Bonnie, Kelly says, was always exceptionally outgoing. “My mom exuded confidence in her forties and was admirably sure of herself. She didn’t work outside the home, but I remember her being very involved in the community, charities, my school—and she had tons of friends.”

HOW THEY'RE ALIKE NOW

BOTH WOMEN HAD A BABY AT MIDLIFE

Granted, for Kelly it was her first child (Julia, near left), and for Bonnie it was her fourth and last, but their shared forty-something motherhood has allowed Kelly to see something about her mom she didn’t fully appreciate before. “When I had Julia, I left behind my big career in media to work from home as a career consultant for Jobbound.com, a site that guides you through the often arduous task of finding a new position. Scaling back has given me renewed respect for my mom and all that she gave up to be at home for us. She was so involved in everything we did, and now I get it—I’m becoming the same way with Julia. Sometimes I think, wow, I’m turning into her.” Minus the parachute pants, of course. 🍌

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