

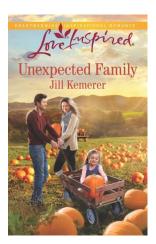
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## PRESS RELEASE

## His Surprise Daughter

The second book in the Lake Endwell series explores forgiveness and healing after divorce

**Lake Endwell, Michigan:** When Tom Sheffield finds out he has a four-year-old daughter, he learns how to be a father and falls for his ex-wife Stephanie all over again. In her second novel *Unexpected Family* (Harlequin™ Love Inspired/September 1, 2015/ISBN: 978-0373879847 5.99), **Jill Kemerer** provides readers with an emotional, tender romance.



After five years apart, Tom Sheffield is shocked to find his ex-wife, Stephanie, on his doorstep. The news that they share a child he's never met sends him reeling. Four-year-old Macy has his eyes, his mouth and, from their first encounter, his heart. Things with her mother are much more complicated. He doesn't understand what went wrong between them or why she kept their daughter a secret. And he's afraid of falling in love all over again. Yet he feels a glimmer of hope that somehow he can convince Macy *and* Stephanie to stay in Lake Endwell—and with him—for keeps.

In *Unexpected Family*, Tom Sheffield learns to forgive his ex-wife Stephanie as he juggles his job and training for the IRONMAN competition with his duties as a father. He admires Stephanie's way with Macy as well as her work ethic and realizes they were both to blame for their failed marriage. He'll do things differently if she'll give him a second chance.

<u>Jill Kemerer</u> now resides in the Toledo, Ohio area after several moves throughout Michigan and Ohio as well as a short stint in Virginia. She writes Christian romance novels and is a member of <u>Maumee Valley Romance Authors</u>, <u>Inc.</u> and <u>American Fiction Christian Writers</u>. She's represented by Rachel Kent of Books & Such Literary Agency.

Readers of category romance novels tend to love secret baby and reunion stories. Flo Nicoll, editor at Harlequin<sup>TM</sup>, sums it up best in Harlequin.com's "<u>It's a Secret Baby</u>." Flo states, "Walking away isn't an option for a couple with a secret baby—and what could be more thrilling than reading about two characters who are forced to confront the differences that drove a wedge between them in the first place?"

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**RT Book Reviews** gave *Unexpected Family* 4 stars and said, "Beautiful descriptions abound in Kemerer's latest. The Sheffield family seemingly has it all (faith, love, money), but demonstrates that nobody has a perfect life free of struggles."

## **About the Author**



**Jill Kemerer** writes contemporary Christian romance novels with love, humor and faith. A full time writer and homemaker, she relies on coffee and chocolate to keep up with her kids' busy schedules.

Her second novel, *Unexpected Family*, will be available September 1, 2015, and her debut novel *Small-Town Bachelor* released in April 2015. Jill is a contributor to *Guideposts: The Best Angel Stories 2015*, *Chicken Soup for the Soul: It's Christmas!* and the short story and recipe collection, *A Recipe for Romance*, featuring 22 Love Inspired authors. Jill's books have been finalists in My Book Therapy's Frasier Contest and ACFW's Genesis Contest, and she graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor degree in electrical engineering from Saginaw Valley State University.

Besides spoiling her mini-dachshund, Jill adores magazines, M&MS, fluffy animals, and nature walks. She resides in Ohio with her husband and two children. Please visit her website <a href="http://jillkemerer.com/">http://jillkemerer.com/</a>.

## **Possible Interview Questions**

- How did you handle the delicate topics of divorce and a secret child in a Christian romance?
- Just how spicy are Christian romance novels?
- What can readers expect when they buy one of your books?
- What advice do you have for someone interested in writing?
- Lake Endwell is a fictional small town in Michigan. What inspired it?
- Can readers look forward to more books set in Lake Endwell?
- On your website, readers can download discussion questions to share with their book club. Why would *Unexpected Family* be a good book club choice?

Jill Kemerer is available for interviews to promote the release of *Unexpected Family*. To request a review copy, schedule an interview or for more information, please contact Jill, jill@jillkemerer.com. Thank you!