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Hard Worker

Kellee is the quiet girl that sits in the back of the class room. Most people do not know what she has been through to get into this classroom. She has worked in many places just to get to where she is today. She has persevered through obstacles many people do not overcome. Kellee Bell is one of the most hardworking people in this world.

Kellee is a normal African American girl whom was born and raised in Zachary, Louisiana and has lived in the same house her whole life. Kellee has a mother that she adores, and father that she does not get along with ever. She has three older brothers and one older sister, but Kellee is the first person in her family to go to college. This puts much stress on her to succeed. The reason she perseveres is the thought that all of her hard work would make her mother proud.

Kellee has devoted much of her time and energy to her mama. Her mother is unable to work on the account of her bad heart. Because of this, Kellee has to help her do many chores. For example give her shots, makes sure she takes her pills, or just to help clean up the house. Her brothers and sister do not devote as much time to taking care of their mom as Kellee does. Kellee does this while working a job, doing school work, and having a social life. Many people do not have to do this much work in a day. Kellee sees this as a normal day. She just smiles and carries on like everything is okay.

There have been a couple of scares with her mom having a bad heart. During the interview she recounted a time she took a trip to Washington D.C., when her mom’s health turned for the worst. As Kellee was about to tell her story, her eyes had a flicker of fear and worry. She was fidgeting in her chair. Her tone was somber unlike her usual happy voice. During the trip she received a call from the principle of her school. The principle said, “Your mom has only eight minutes to live.” She froze in fear thinking it was just dream at first but reality snapped back as fast as it left. Kellee needed to get back to Zachary as soon as possible. She literally tried everything to get back to Louisiana. Unfortunately she could not get a flight back. She just had to suck it up and stay in Washington D.C. This was one of the hardest times in her life. All she could do is stand there and pray for the best. She knew her mama would have wanted her to have fun so she sucked it up and tried to have fun. At the end Kellee said, “That was the scariest moment in my life so far.” Thankfully her mother was fine when Kellee returned from the trip.

That was hard for her, but it is not comparable to what she has done to help keep the family’s finances stable. Kellee has worked a variety of jobs in her life time. Everything form waitress to shoe salesmen. She has even worked two jobs at once just to help out. Her mom cannot work on the account of her heart and Kellee’s father doesn’t make enough money. She does what she can to keep herself financially independent and sometimes helps with family expenses. Kellee does all of this just to keep her mother happy and healthy. Kellee said, “I would have worked more jobs if my mama needed the money”. This shows how much of a hard worker she has become.

Being the first one in her family to go to college, this alone shows how much work she has done just to get into ULM. She worked all summer to save up money to pay tuition. She attained a good ACT score to get into the college. Finally, she attained good grades in high school to get the best scholarships out there.

All in all Kellee is one of the most hardworking people ever. She has been through many difficulties in her life. She believes that all she has been through will make her stronger in the future. She is a strong hardworking independent woman. She is an inspiration to struggling young women around the world.

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