I was born and raised in Java, Indonesia. I came to the US in 1992 but have been living in Peoria since 1998. I received a Master’s Degree in Counseling from Bradley University, six years after my husband died. I am now the owner of Inward Journey Counseling.

I was trained in classical Javenese dance since elementary school. I coached dance and participated in dance competitions from my teenage years through college. Sadly, there is no Indonesian dance troupe in Peoria, so I ventured out to learn Latin dances on and off since 2017. But in the summer of 2023, I discovered the Argentine Tango and fell in love with it. I began practicing on my own, then continued to learn with the help of Allen Eskridge of Sinclair Dance Studio and Peoria ‘tango practica’ group.