

Hello we are...

*Jesse & Jessica*



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## Our Hopes and Dreams...

Our hopes for our child is to feel our unconditional love, to always know we support them reaching for the stars, and to be true to themselves.

We are blessed to have each other and share an amazing bond. We love each other unconditionally and are truly best friends. We can honestly say we are happy every day and love to spend our days together. After our first date we both went home to talk with our parents, unable to stop smiling, and said we found our match. Love at first sight! We have been through life's ups and downs together and only find ourselves with an even closer and stronger bond.

We both knew we wanted to be parents and after two years of marriage we were ready to start a family. After tests, infertility treatments and even a surgery, we found that God had another plan for us. Our hearts are full with excitement and joy that our family will grow through adoption. We are excited to see our child grow and develop, create loving childhood memories with them, and maintain a loving bond with them forever.

Unconditional love is a promise to our child. We will show this by providing a peaceful and safe environment of love and affection; tucking our child in at night, reading bedtime stories, and giving hugs and kisses. We will play games, travel, and have fun days on the farm spending quality time together as a family.

If you select us as the parents for your child, your child will be raised in a warm and safe home, with parents who will provide love, guidance, comfort, and support all throughout their life. We will support all their hopes and dreams as they grow and develop into whom they want to become. We will also teach our child the importance of honesty, compassion, and integrity.

We don't know what brought you to read our profile, however, we are sure it took strength, great love, and compassion. We hope you have peace during this process and find comfort in knowing your child will have all that you want for him or her.

Thank you for taking the time to get to know us!

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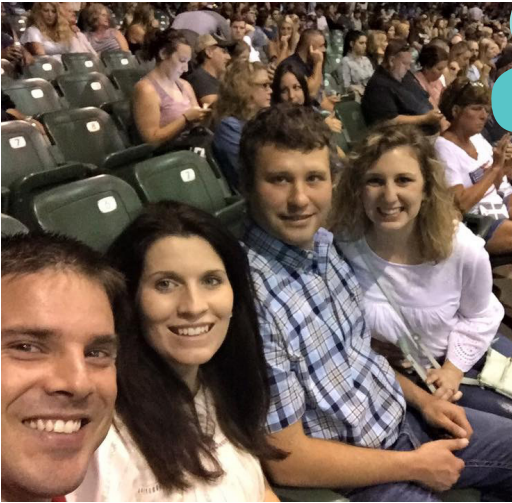
  
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# Our values and beliefs as parents...



**Family** - We are thankful that our families surround us with so much love. We celebrate life and spend quality time together on a regular basis. We share holidays, special occasions, and everyday life, whether it's spending Memorial Day at grandmother's house, Sunday Soup Day at our home, or vacations at the beach, we enjoy spending time together. Our family's hearts are always open and warmly welcome friends and new family members. This spirit of love and acceptance has allowed us to join our two families as one. Everyone is so excited for another child and look forward to being doting grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins. In fact, our child's grandparents will help with childcare when we return to work. Our child will grow to know they are surrounded by dedicated family members who will be a regular part of their life.



**Unconditional Love** - We are lucky to have families who have shown us unconditional love all our lives. We always joke that we are too loved, if that is possible. Both of our parents support us, even when we have failed. Our parents can't help showing their pride in us by telling stories about us to anyone who will listen. Jessica's parents have always made Jesse feel like their son. My father and Jesse work on many projects together and my dad has taught Jesse so many lessons in life. We are excited to be involved in our child's activities. Our parents were involved in our games, concerts, and more when we were growing up, even coaching some of the sports teams. We always will be there to encourage and cheer on our child, regardless of the circumstances.



**Honesty and Responsibility** - Honesty and responsibility helps us be authentic, empowers us, and provides us a foundation to build relationships, including our own. These values play a large role in providing structure and care to our lives which helps us be happy and productive. We will teach our child 'honesty is always the best policy' and with honesty comes responsibility. As our child gets older they will have their own responsibility like picking up their room and caring for their own animal on our farm.

**Kindness and Generosity** - We believe it is important to be considerate, warmhearted, and generous. We regularly help our neighbors, volunteer in the community and help others around us, and do this without thought of reward or strings attached. We will teach our child these values by sharing his or her toys, speaking kindly even when he or she is upset and as they grow, will donate old and used items to others, and give our time by volunteering at church and in the community.



**Education** - We believe that education starts at home and will make every experience a learning opportunity. We will teach our child through everyday life on the farm, travel, and family. Every trip we take will be an opportunity to learn something new, such as how waves land on the beach. We are blessed to live on a farm so our child will learn all about animals and nature, such as how baby chicks hatch and how baby goats are born. They will have the opportunity to play in mud, jump off the dock into the pond, and watch butterflies go from larva to birth. Our child will likely attend private school in their elementary years and then to a public school. We will encourage and support our child to attend a college or university to further encourage them to reach for the stars.

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# Our home...

We live on a one hundred acre farm in Pennsylvania. Our property includes barns, woods to hike, two fishing ponds, three and a half miles of walking and ATV trails, and fenced in areas for our child to play, as well as areas for our goats and chickens. There are always new things happening on the farm such as a baby goat being born, chickens beginning to sit on her egg, or waiting patiently for baby chick to hatch!

We love getting up early and taking a morning walk just to see a baby deer in the field eating her breakfast or the blue herring resting on the pond's dock. We have lush berry blooms in the summer we pick for homemade pies and jams. At night, we enjoy seeing millions of stars on a clear night. We can't wait to experience our farm though the eyes and activities of our child.

We have the experiences of the county all around us, yet we can be in a city in just fifteen minutes. We have professional sports teams, a zoo, pools and parks, theatre of performing arts, movie theaters, and a library all close by. Our child will enjoy all the amazing things about living on a farm and being in the country, while also having the advantages of city activities for a different type of adventure. Our child will truly have the best of both worlds.

With our doors and hearts always open, our home tends to be great meeting place. When people walk into our home they instantly feel welcomed, comfortable, and at home. We always have something cooking and food out on the table, even when we aren't expecting company. There is something about sitting down at a table to eat and laugh that makes you feel right at home.

In the cooler months we have a gas fireplace everyone cozies up to, to play board or card games or enjoy a football game. We also enjoy sledding, hunting, and taking walks in the snow. We host Sunday Soup Day! Most Sundays our friends and family come over to eat some hardy soup and watch a football game. Nothing warms you up like a bowl of hot soup, love and laughter of friends and family, and a warm fire. This meal truly brings us all together to enjoy each other's company, catch up, and make memories. Food and love go hand in hand at our home.

We have a large front porch with a swing and two white rocking chairs. Many warm mornings we sit on the porch swing sipping our coffee. It's a great way to start the weekday mornings. On a typical weekend, our day starts with fishing, playing corn hole or hiking, and then we grill out at the pond, eat good food, and end the day with s'mores over a fire. When our friends and family leave, we send them with fresh picked produce from our large garden.

We are excited to welcome a child into our home and lives. We will surround them with an open, loving environment. Our child's room is almost ready. It's painted a calm mint green, and we will have dark wood furniture. We are creating a sweet dreams look and feeling with a "Dream" sign, sheep sheets and a sheep mobile. My sister crocheted a beautiful baby blanket for the crib and Jesse's grandmother gave us a rocking chair for the nursery. This family heirloom will be placed in the nursery's book nook so we can read and rock our child to sleep. We will add a large rug for the wood floor so our child is more comfortable as he/her crawls and plays in their room.



- Both non-smokers

### Hobbies:

#### Adoptive Mother:

Gardening, cooking, canning, reading, hiking, traveling, camping, farming, volunteering in the community, listening to live music, attending sporting events, spending time with friends and family

#### Adoptive Father:

Fishing, hunting, hiking, farming, gardening, reading, camping, traveling, listening to live music, attending sporting events, spending time with friends and family

### Professions:

Adoptive Mother: Deputy Register of Wills

Adoptive Father: Land Man

### Education Level:

Adoptive Mother: Bachelor's Degree

Adoptive Father: Bachelor's Degree



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# Our family...

We met through a mutual friend who invited Jesse to join our card game. I'm not a shy person so I introduced herself. Jesse lost, took it well and was humble. I thought, what a great trait! We stayed in contact and a couple weeks later he asked me on our first date. We both agreed it was almost like we had known each other for years, the conversation was easy and we laughed a lot. From that date on, we became the "Jesse's" and were inseparable.

We got married two years later. Jesse, an old fashioned and respectful gentleman, asked my father's permission. My father told him the story of how he proposed to my mother which was the same way my grandfather proposed to my grandmother. Jesse decided to keep the tradition going. We were on our way to dinner when he slowed down and pulled over. I thought something was wrong with the car. Instead, Jesse pulled out a ring box, made a very romantic speech, and asked me to marry him. Like my mother and grandmother, our husbands proposed in the car on the side of the road. It may sound funny, but I love the tradition.

We have a great relationship and truly value each other. Jesse's a hard worker, patient, honest, and a very kind person. Jessica also works hard, is nurturing and compassionate, supportive, and honest. We communicate on all matters and are always honest with each other, even when it's tough. We are devoted and always affectionate towards one another. We are excited to share our relationship and values with our child.

We are beyond blessed to have amazing families. Our parents are inspiring role models to us, both of our parents have been married for over 35 years. Our marriage has joined our two families, when we get together everyone from both families is included. We play board games and cards, watch movies, cook, eat, laugh and much more.

We cherish the memories we have together and look forward to our child having great childhood memories. The Monday after Thanksgiving is the first day of deer season. Jesse and our fathers head out into the woods while Jesse's mom and I put up Christmas decorations. That evening, over soup and pulled pork sandwiches, we hear about all the big bucks that were out this year. More friends and family stop by to enjoy a meal and laugh over the tall tales the men tell.

The night before Christmas we all attend a special church service. After we drive around looking at the Christmas lights, while enjoying Christmas carols, we head home to enjoy hot coco and dessert before heading to bed. We host Christmas day at our home with 20-25 of our family members, we exchange gifts, eat too much good food, and play games. We can't wait to watch our child's eyes light up as they run down the stairs to see all their presents under the tree.

Our family's hearts are full and are overjoyed to meet the newest member of our family. Our parents cannot wait to meet their grandchild and are ready to begin spoiling him or her! Our child will have aunts, uncles and cousins who are over the moon with joy to meet their cousin. There will be no shortage of love for this child. We will all grow together and create memories as a family.



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