

JOSH + ANDREA



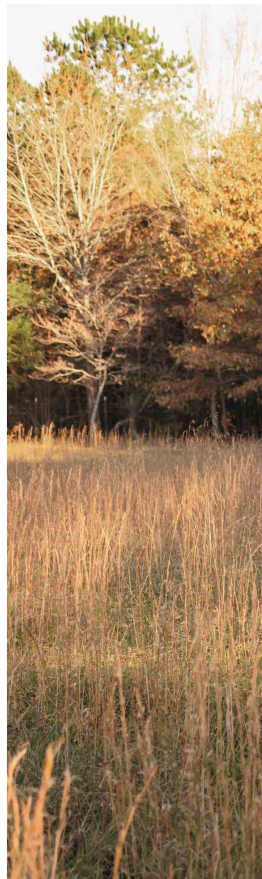


OUR NOTE TO YOU

HELLO FRIEND



We want to take a moment to acknowledge the incredible strength, love, and selflessness it takes for you to make such an important decision for your child. We understand that this is an incredibly emotional and complex choice, and we want you to know how deeply we respect you for considering adoption.





Thank you so much for taking the time to view our profile and consider us as adoptive parents for your child. We hope that while you are flipping through these pages you can see who we are and how much love we have for you and your child. **We admire your strength and your bravery as you consider making an adoption plan and want you to know that we see the selfless, unconditional love you have for your child as you consider their future.**

If chosen, we promise to love your child with our whole hearts and cherish every moment! We promise to honor your child's story. They will always know how much courage it took for you to make this decision. We are committed to providing a home filled with warmth, stability, and unconditional love, and we will always strive to live up to the trust you place in us. Thank you for considering us and viewing our profile.



*Love,
Josh + Andrea*





OUR HEARTS FOR ADOPTION

We were ready to start growing a family after being married for a few years. After about six months of actively trying, we found out we were pregnant in 2021. A few months afterwards we found out we were going through a miscarriage with our baby boy, Malachi. Once we got through the miscarriage and took time to grieve we started trying again. In 2022, we had no luck so we started testing for any possible problems that could hinder us from not being successful. We found out that there were multiple reasons we weren't conceiving and were given options for fertility treatments. In early fall of 2023, we found out we were pregnant again after doing the highest dosage of medication they would prescribe before moving on to another route. However, we ended up going through another miscarriage. After both miscarriages, we decided it was best to move forward with adoption.

We always discussed adoption while we were dating if we had no success naturally. After going through two miscarriages we felt that God was bringing back some familiar conversations about adoption. We felt a peace and calmness about adoption and knew that this would be our journey for growing a family.



OUR VALUES

FAITH

Our faith is the most important aspect of our lives. Our child will know who God is and the love He has for them.

COMMUNICATION

Open, honest communication is key! It's a building block that allows us to convey our thoughts and feelings and connects us to one another.

LOVE

In our family, we love others no matter who they are. We believe every person is valued and significant and we treat them that way.

INTEGRITY

We strive to always do the right thing and hold true to our word. By doing this we also show accountability, loyalty, and commitment to each other and those around us.



Our wish for our future child is that they always know just how loved they are. We hope they grow up confident in who they are. We want them to know how special they are and how they can make an impact on others with their own story.

OUR STORY

Our Milestones

STARTED DATING - MARCH 2013

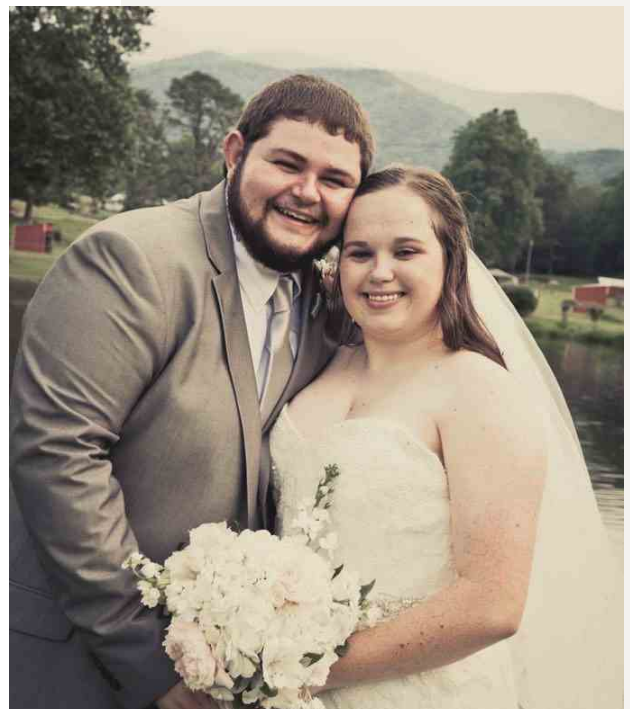
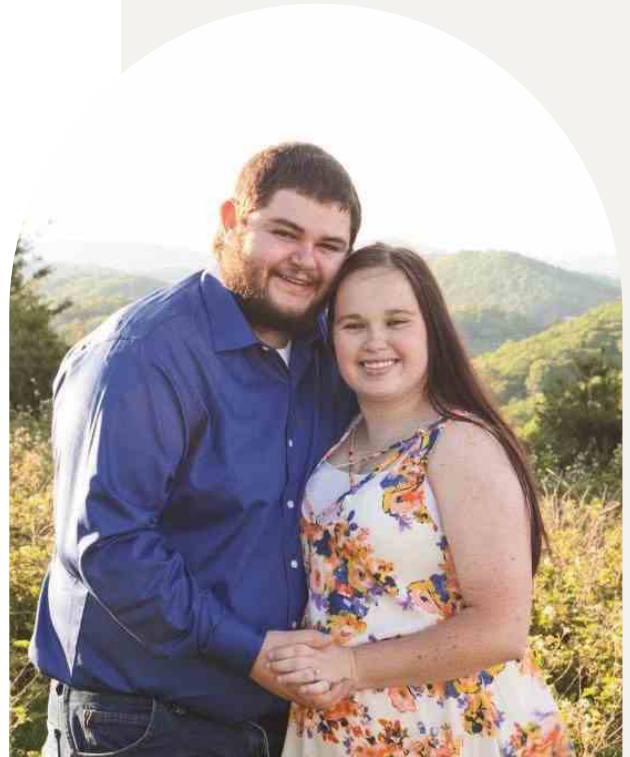
We met in a health science class back in high school. Andrea was the brave one who initiated a conversation over Facebook Messenger. We got to know more and what each other's future goals were in life. Joshua was attracted to Andrea's caring, compassionate demeanor and fun loving personality. Andrea was attracted to Joshua's charming personality and his ability to make people laugh.

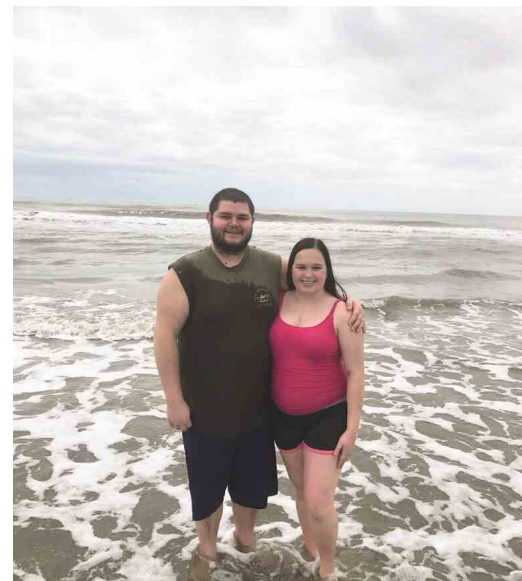
GOT ENGAGED - FEBRUARY 2016

After spending a night in town bowling and shopping, we drove to a beautiful overlook. It was a cold, winter night so as we got our winter coats on, Andrea turned and saw Joshua down on one knee. We celebrated by going to a local steakhouse and calling our family and friends to tell them the news.

HAPPILY EVER AFTER - JUNE 2018

We got married at a barn venue in Tennessee with lots of family and friends attending. It was so hot during the outdoor ceremony, but it eventually cooled down in the evening. We had so much fun at the reception eating, dancing, cutting the cake, and hanging out with everyone before driving to Florida where we boarded our cruise a few days later.





WE HAVE BEEN MARRIED FOR SIX YEARS. TIME SURE DOES FLY BY!

We are thankful and blessed for all the years we have been together and are looking forward to celebrating many more years. An open line of communication and the love we have for each other is what makes our marriage strong. We love each other's companionship, support, connection and trust that we have with one another. We are able to face life's challenges together while still displaying joy and creating memories together.

We enjoy many activities as a couple. We both enjoy fishing and hunting. We also enjoy going tent camping and hiking trails. Earlier this year, we went to New River Gorge National Park tent camping with our two dogs. While we were there we hiked a lot of trails and visited numerous spots throughout the park. We bought a National Park Passport Stamp Book and we have started going to numerous National Parks since then.



MEET JOSHUA

IN ANDREA'S WORDS

Josh has many personality traits that I admire. He is loyal, hard-working, kind, patient, generous, and has a good sense of humor. He is very committed to his family and to their needs. He works hard in everything he does to achieve not only his personal goals, but also the goals for his family. He is kind and patient to everyone, even in tough situations. He is generous not only in his resources, but in his time and love. His generous spirit fosters a supportive atmosphere in our marriage. Josh can lighten the mood whether it's with a corny joke or by making me laugh, even during tough times. He not only pushes himself to improve daily, but he also encourages me to do the same. He is a great listener no matter what time of day it is. Josh's faith has been inspirational to me. He had many hardships during his childhood, but his faith has helped him get through those difficult situations.

Josh is very good with children. We have been blessed with eleven nieces and nephews. He treats all children equally and fairly. He will get down on the floor to play with children whether it's Legos, Barbies, or Hot Wheels. He loves to help older children with their outdoor activities such as fishing, hunting, and building. Josh is looking forward to being a father and loving a child as his own and supporting them throughout their childhood. He will be a loving, humble, generous, and kind father. He will go the extra mile to satisfy and nurture our child.



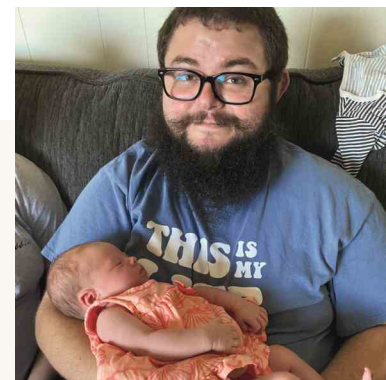
I am excited to step into a new role as a father. I look forward to spending time with our child and creating a bond with them. I am looking forward to enjoying activities with them, whether it's me introducing them to my hobbies or discovering their interests. I want to support our child and provide them with everything they need to excel. I look forward to the adventures and vacations we will take as we create lasting memories. I want to be a father who encourages our child to use their gifts and talents to bless others. I want to have a nurturing, loving spirit and make sure our home is a place they feel loved and comfortable.



I had a rough childhood that has really made me determined to be the kind of parent I wish I would have had. One of my sisters took me in and helped raise me. While I was living with her, I was able to enjoy special memories with my nephew and niece. My friends, my sister, and Andrea along with her family helped form who I am today.

I work as a certified nursing assistant at a cancer center. I'm currently enrolled in a medical assistant program that will be completed at the end of 2025. Once it is completed, I will remain at the cancer center but transfer into a medical assistant position. My career is flexible so I am off every major holiday and am able to ask for additional time off whenever necessary. I will have time off for the adoption and to ensure a smooth transition as our family grows.

- HOBBIES**
- Fishing
 - Deer hunting
 - Mowing while listening to music
 - Camping
 - Exploring nature



My greatest accomplishments are graduating high school and marrying Andrea. I didn't always have the best resources when I was younger, but my focus on the end goal helped me overcome the challenges.

MY FRIENDS SAY I AM DEPENDABLE, EASY GOING, HARD WORKING, AND HAVE GREAT CHARACTER.



MEET ANDREA

IN JOSHUA'S WORDS

I love that Andrea has determination in everything she does. I admire her caring and compassionate nature that she shows to everyone she meets. Andrea has the biggest heart; she loves without judging and always tries to be a light for others. She always strives to improve herself and pushes me to improve with every situation that we have been through, always looking for the good in all things. Andrea's faith has always been an inspiration to me. Even through both of our miscarriages, she always turned to her faith in God to get her through. Andrea makes it easy to love her. She is caring, compassionate, and fun-loving. She is always ready to listen when I just need to talk after a hard day. She goes above and beyond as a wife. She is amazing and loves me unconditionally through my faults and failures, pushing me to be not only a better husband, but a better person in general.

Andrea is fantastic with children! Anytime there are children around she gravitates to them trying to make them feel comfortable and encouraging them to be themselves. She understands each of our nieces' and nephews' needs and knows how to interact with each of them. She is extremely caring with infants, making sure they are well taken care of. I have often thought about how amazing she would have been with our two children that we did not get to hold on this side of heaven. She cared for them with every fiber of her being loving and praying for them every day and I know she will do the same for our future child. She will be an incredible, loving mother who pours her heart into them.



I have been looking forward to becoming a mother for so long! I am so excited to love our child and I can't wait to be able to walk into the nursery to see them sleeping. I am so excited to start nightly bedtime stories as well. I look forward to hearing their first words and seeing all the milestones they achieve as they grow up. I've always had the desire to be a mom and am looking forward to fulfilling this dream.



I had a wonderful childhood with very nurturing and compassionate parents. My parents raised me in a Christian home and did everything they could to support my aspirations. There were times that it could be challenging due to finances or other circumstances like my father being deployed overseas, but they always made sure I had everything I needed to live a happy and healthy life.

I work as a Certified Surgical Technologist at a nearby hospital. I work three twelve hour shifts in a row. This schedule allows me to have more days off in a row to spend time with family and friends and enjoy my hobbies. Thankfully, my job allows me to have extended paid leave to bond once we adopt. We have a wonderful family who will help provide childcare and lots of nearby daycare options if needed once I go back to work.

- HOBBIES**
- Traveling
 - Reading my Bible
 - Cooking
 - Sewing
 - Spending time with family

My greatest accomplishment is overcoming the medical challenges that I had as a child with my congenital heart defect. God has continued to bless me with health and the ability to excel physically, mentally, and emotionally.

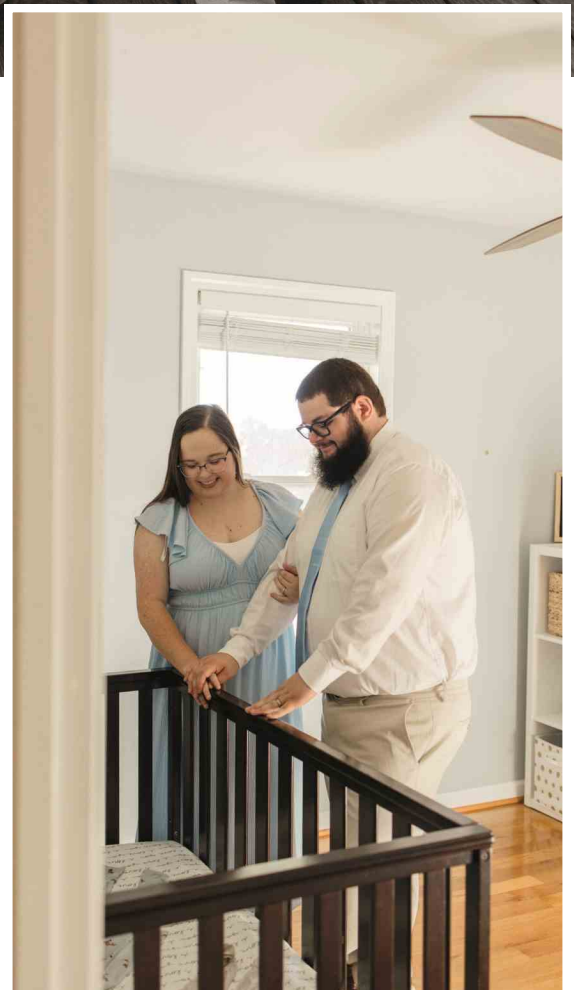


MY FRIENDS SAY I AM RELIABLE, AFFECTIONATE, ENERGETIC, AND DETERMINED.



OUR HOME

We live in a one-story house on a little over three acres. We have three bedrooms and two full bathrooms with a lovely wrap around porch. We are blessed with wonderful neighbors and kids nearby. Our backyard has lots of open space along with beautiful trees. In the evenings while sitting in the kitchen or on the back porch, we will see deer stroll by. Every once in a while we like to do home renovation projects. We created a vegetable garden two years ago in the backyard. We have been able to grow potatoes, green beans, okra, tomatoes, peppers, watermelon, carrots, onions, and cucumbers! We made a rose flower bed by our porch and built some raised garden beds close to the house. We have a spacious kitchen and living room to enjoy whether it's cooking, watching a movie, or playing games. **We have lots of memories in this home and look forward to the memories we will have with our child as they grow up here.**





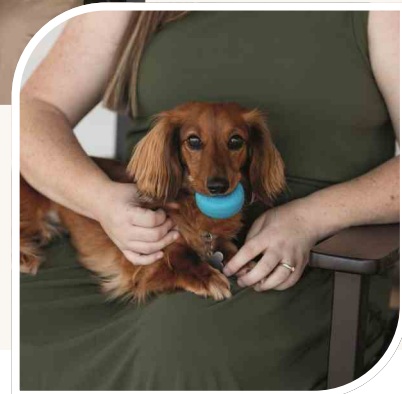
We live in North Carolina in a diverse town that provides many job and educational opportunities. About five minutes down the road from our home is our favorite community pool and the other direction is a lake. There are lots of parks with different amenities such as walking, playground areas, fishing, disc golf courses, and so much more. We have lots of options for shopping and eating out with friends and family. Our downtown area has a farmers market with local meat, fruits, vegetables, iron work, plants, community groups, and live music. The community has a well known minor league baseball team that hosts plenty of games and events throughout the year. We personally feel that where we live is the perfect mix of small town and big city. We have great access to go visit a busy city or drive to a rural area for a more relaxing evening.

OUR PETS

We have two long haired miniature dachshunds, Lily and Daisy. Lily is three years old and is brown in color. She is active and loves when people play fetch with her. Daisy is two years old and is cream colored. She is shy at first, but is a great snuggler. Daisy can be a goofball and is so hilarious! They both love going for car rides and walks. They love treats and affection and get along well with children.



Daisy



Lily





OUR FAMILY

ANDREA'S FAMILY

My parents are Timothy and Melody. They have been married for thirty years. My father was in the National Guard for twenty-seven years and now works as a trade specialist and is a deacon in the church. My mother worked as a School Nutrition Manager at the elementary school I attended, but she is now retired. She now faithfully serves her church as the kitchen manager. My brother, Jared, is married to Makala. They have three children; Darcy is three and a half, Wyatt is two and a half, and Addison is seven months old.

I have lots of extended family nearby who we see for major holidays and celebrations. Some of my extended family lives in connecting states, but they do their absolute best to attend! I have a close relationship with most of my family members and am grateful for that. When we get together there is always a variety of food to eat and time to catch up with one another. My family is looking forward to the day they get to meet our child and be a part of their life.

JOSHUA'S FAMILY

I have two sisters, Cecilia and Amelia. Cecilia has been married to Will for fifteen years and they have six children. Their names are Henry (14), Abigail (11), Alyssa (10), Carly (8), Edna (6), and Phillip (3). Amelia has two children named Gauge (11) and Lydia (8). Most of my extended family lives in different states. I am closest with my older sister and spend time with her family for holidays and special events. Each time I talk to my sister, she expresses that they are all really excited and can't wait to be a part of our child's life!



OUR VILLGE MEANS SO MUCH TO US!

HOLIDAY TRADITIONS

EASTER

We love to decorate our house with bunnies, gnomes, and spring decor. We always enjoy the Easter Sunday service at church then get together with family for lunch and take time to reflect on the true meaning of Easter. We hide eggs for the children, and spend time dying eggs with them.



FOURTH OF JULY

We have a family cookout and bonfire roasting marshmallows every year. Andrea's family purchases fireworks and we always have a great fireworks display. Our local Minor league baseball team hosts an annual fireworks show and the downtown area has a parade, which is always fun!



THANKSGIVING

Andrea goes deer hunting with her father in the morning every year. Later in the evening, we get together with family for a wonderful meal. We always go around the table and say what we are thankful for.



CHRISTMAS

We love to decorate our house for the season! One of our traditions is visiting a Christmas tree farm where we pick our own tree. Andrea enjoys baking lots of delicious desserts for loved ones around Christmas. On Christmas Eve, we get together with Andrea's family. We have a "treasure hunt" tradition that her parents started when she was young. Every year, her father writes a story with clues that involve games and activities to move further into the game. At the end of the story, there is one big gift. In previous years, it has been tickets to an event, a griddle, or gift cards for a home project. On Christmas Day, we spend time with Andrea's mom's side of the family. Before anyone opens presents, Andrea's grandmother reads the Christmas story from the Bible. We all reflect on the past year and what we are looking forward to in the coming year.



BIRTHDAYS

We love to celebrate all the birthdays in our family. Whether it's a family gathering, a birthday card sent in the mail, or a phone call, we always let the birthday boy or girl know they are loved. Our nieces and nephews and other children within our extended family are celebrated at a family gathering in person. There is always a special cake or dessert that the child loves and of course presents! We are so excited to celebrate these moments with our child!

EDUCATION

We are planning to send our child to public or private school. We both went to public school and believe that was the best educational path for us. We were gratefully given many experiences while in public school. We want to be able to give our child the best resources possible for their education and there are many excellent schools in our community that would provide those opportunities.

We would love to send and support our child as they choose the college of their dreams based on their future career choice. We are planning on saving money as they grow to help them financially and we will encourage them to apply for scholarships, grants, and any other resource to help them to be able to fulfill their dreams. We will be their biggest encouragers and cheerleaders as they grow and mature.





FUTURE PLANS

We love to travel as often as we can to explore new areas. We plan to continue traveling with our child and we are excited to cross off more national parks across the country. We also like exploring new cities and learning the history behind them. We are looking forward to making memories with our child while exploring new places. We hope to continue to grow our family in the future, whether it's through naturally conceiving, from the foster care system, or adoption again.



THANK YOU

Thank you for taking the time to read these pages. We hope it gives you a clear glimpse of who we are and what our life is like, even on the most normal day. You are so brave for considering an adoption plan, and we love and admire the deep, selfless love you have for your child. If chosen, we are so excited to tell your child about their amazing birth mother and the love you have for them. We promise to honor you in all of our conversations as your child grows. **Please know that no one will replace who you are and the important role you have in your child's life, but we hope to only multiply that love and care you have for your child if we have the honor of being their adoptive parents.** We understand the choices you are considering are not easy, but we pray you have comfort and peace in your decision.

*Love,
Josh + Andrea*



