



- High School is where we met, but did not get together until about 12 years after when we re-connected at a friends wedding
  - -Others see us having a strong, loving and fun relationship.
- -We knew from the beginning that both of us wanted to have children and raise them in a kind and loving home. Through our fertility struggles we have become even closer as a couple and realized just how precious life is.
  - We can't say we are perfect but we communicate well.
  - -We often have get togethers as we are close to our family and friends.
    - -We enjoy walking our dogs, playing and snuggling with them.

#### WHAT SHELLY SAYS ABOUT

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Chris is easy going, kind, loving, funny, genuine and patient. He chose his career to help others. He is a permanently stationed locally as an Active Duty Air Force service member (permanently stationed means that Chris will not be moved to other bases like most active duty members do). At times he is deployed but not for longer than a few months at a time.

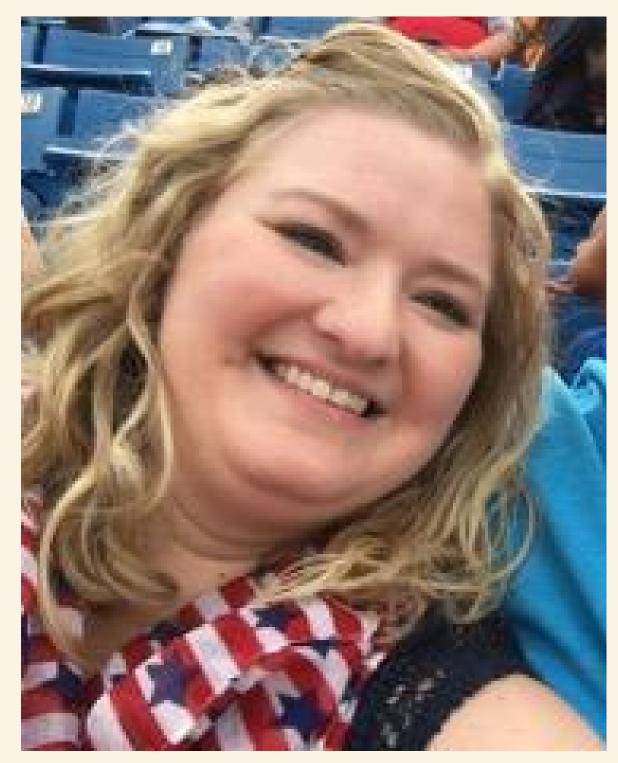
Some if his passions include working on cars, motorcycles, pretty much anything mechanical. He enjoys working on old cars and attending car shows.

Our first date was my favorite and I didn't want it to end. It wasn't anything fancy, we ate sushi and went mini golfing but the connection was there.

I knew Chris was meant to be a father and the one for me when I saw him with his two dogs (Ralph and Oscar) that he loved and cared for. He is great spouse and provider. He does so well with children of all ages and when I see him with our nieces and nephews my heart swells. He is so kind and loving. He is always willing to help others.



#### WHAT CHRIS SAYS ABOUT



Shelly is so caring, loving and hard working. Family is first and foremost in everything she does. She has been a Registered Nurse for over 14 years. Some hobbies she enjoys are crocheting, sewing, baking and spending time with family. She often crochets and sews items for family and friends, often for their newborn child. Her cupcakes are what she is known for as she makes them for family events, gatherings, coworkers birthdays, church and even just for goodies to bring to work, which my coworkers love her cupcakes!!

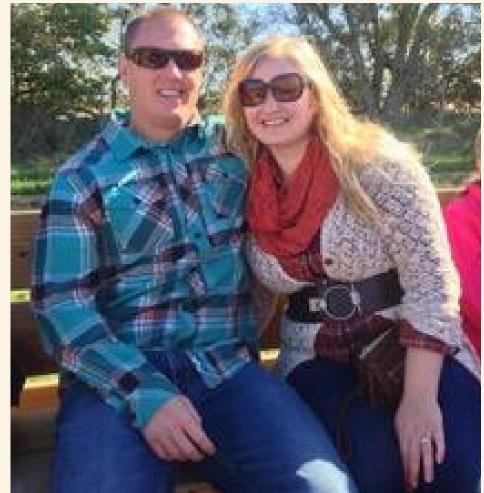
We have known each other since high school where we were good friends, but it wasn't until I moved back to our home town that we connected. Shelly is extremely caring, nurturing and has a natural motherly instinct. Her nursing background helps greatly in ensuring the child's health and wellbeing are the top priority. She puts the child's needs before her own at all times. My favorite thing about her is she is always willing to help anyone and cares deeply for everyone she knows. She is counted on by others as the person that gets things done and helps people in times of need. With her nursing background, she has been instrumental with older family members on both sides in need of extra care over the years. Her nurturing personality shows in everything she does. She puts others needs above her own, especially in times of hardship.

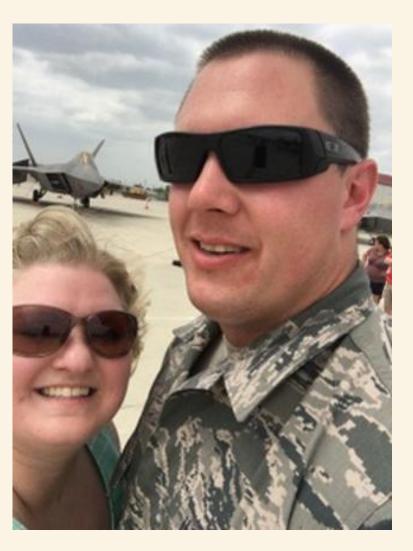
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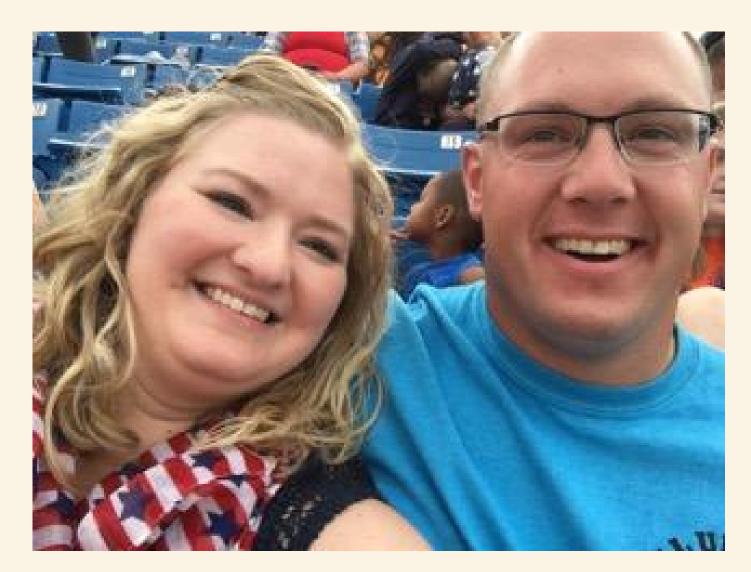








#### SO EXCIPRED TO GROW OUR FAMILY:



















### OURHOME.

Our home is cozy, warm and inviting. We live in a good neighborhood with very kind and friendly neighbors. Our neighbors all watch out for each other and we all help out whenever we can. We have a mix of younger families with children and grandparents that all enjoy having kids around and socializing with each other. Chris' parents also live just 2 blocks away. Our city has about 120k people with many smaller communities surrounding it.

We have great parks, museums and schools. There are many family events throughout the year and many activities for kids to take part in like sports, music and many other opportunities. The community is a great place to grow up in that isn't too big, but also not small.

We live close to our family and friends. Family is very important to us and our close friends are more like family. Our friends and family will be very active in our future child's life. Our favorite times our spent with our nieces and nephews. We enjoy getting to watch them grow and learn. They live close to us and our children would have many cousins to play with.





#### OUR PETS

We have 3 dogs and a cat. Ralph is 17 years old and he is a long haired dachshund. Cruising through his golden years. He's starting to lose his eyesight but he still wants to run around with the others. Oscar (Ralph's son) is 15 years old and he is a short haired dachshund. Oscar is a little shy and loves to be snuggled under a blanket. Bailey is 10 years old and she is a beagle mix. She might be younger but she is

29 pounds and nearly double the size of her brothers. She is a mama doggy. We don't know if she ever had a litter of her own as she was rescued but she takes care of her brothers as if they are her own pups. Sushi (cat) is 3 years old and he is a domestic short hair. He is into everything and follows us around the house. He acts more dog than cat most days. Our pets are our kids. I'm a little silly and they each have different collars for the holidays.

## EXTENTED FAMILY













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