

David & Rachel

We feel privileged to be part of a close knit Amish church and try to live our faith based on our Christian beliefs and simple lifestyle. Our families and church friends are all very supportive of our desire to adopt and join us in our prayers for a family. Many of them have small children are just starting their family themselves.

We met at the youth function from church. We discovered that we share a lot of the same interest and goals so our friendship eventually blossomed into marriage. We dated 1.5 years and were engaged for 6 months. We have been married for nine years now. As of yet we do not have any children.

Our marriage seems perfect to us and we feel we belong together for the rest of our lives. Divorce is not an option. Our foremost goal is our desire to serve God in our community. We pray that our children will be able to form a relationship with Christ. We are excited to discover what their personalities will be like and want to help them follow the interest that God gives them.

What David says about Rachel:

Rachel has a slightly shy personality in a large group, but she enjoys making new friends and visiting in a smaller group settings. Most of the time she has an upbeat can do attitude.

Rachel taught school for several years, which she really enjoyed. A couple of her pupils have said she was the best teacher they ever had. Currently, she's a homemaker, busy with gardening, cooking, sewing and hobbies.

One of Rachel's favorite hobbies is trying out new gardening methods. She has enjoyed setting some hens to hatch out little chicks. She also enjoys picnics, fishing, traveling, and reading.

Rachel was the oldest in a large family, she knows all about caring for babies. She loves children and is looking forward to having her own.

My favorite thing about Rachel, is that she loves me in spite of all my faults or imperfections. She's likely to see the positive situations. She is often willing to try out my ideas just because she loves me.

What Rachel says about David:

David has a gentle personality and he enjoys meeting new people making new friends. He is always willing to lend a helping hand when there's a need in the community. He is a stable Christian and has strong convictions.

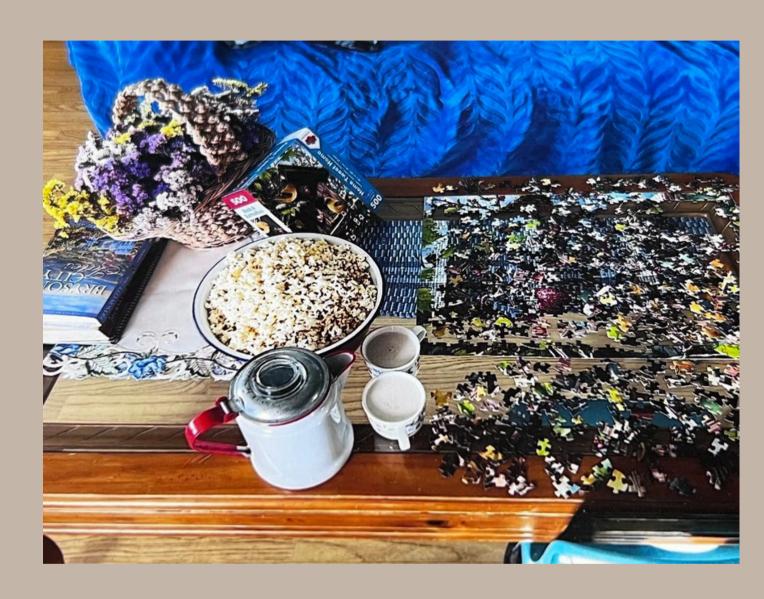
David loves to read in his spare time and also likes to tinker with wood or metal. He also has a hive of bees to supply honey for the table.

David enjoys his job as a salesperson in the family owned heating and plumbing store. Occasionally he helps install wood stoves or chimneys that people buy. They have formed friendships with customers who are pleased with the level of quality and service they provide.

David is a kind, committed and loving husband. He has a tender heart for children. Often times at a family gatherings, he will be sitting on the sofa with a book and surrounded by little ones. That is one of my favorite things about him. Another thing is that he usually knows what I'm thinking without me having to say a word. His pet name for me is "Rachelle" which is French for Rachel.



Our Hobbies:





We have quite a few hobbies that are mutual. Probably our favorite one is fishing at local ponds or lakes. Cleaning the fish is not a favorite past time but a necessary one if we want to taste the rewards. Wow! A mess of crispy pan fried fish can't be beat.

We also enjoy traveling to visit relatives and friends in other states. Sightseeing is another benefit of being able to travel. We have been as far east as Pennsylvania and as far west as California. The majestic Rocky Mountains of Colorado and the verdant green Appalachians of eastern states are totally breathtaking. We love gardening together and growing nutritious foods on the farm. Our focus is on grassfed meat and eggs and organic fruits and veggies which we believe will help develop strong babies. We can't wait to introduce our children into our hobbies.

Why Adoption:

What brought us to adoption was our overwhelming desire to be parents and to have children to cuddle and love. We hope and pray that God will bless us with several children. Our hearts and arms are ready to welcome a boy or a girl or even twins!

We are unable to ever have biological children and our friends and family have been saying that we would be the perfect couple to adopt. We both come from large families and David has 35 nieces and nephews of which one was adopted. Rachel has only one niece and another little niece or nephew on the way. Everyone is super excited about meeting the new little ones!

David has had a lot of experience with children having so many nieces and nephews. Occasionally, we've had several here to babysit. Rachel grew up in a family where a new baby was added to the family every few years and she has also taught in private Christian school for three terms so she has had the opportunity for a lot of hands out experience with children.

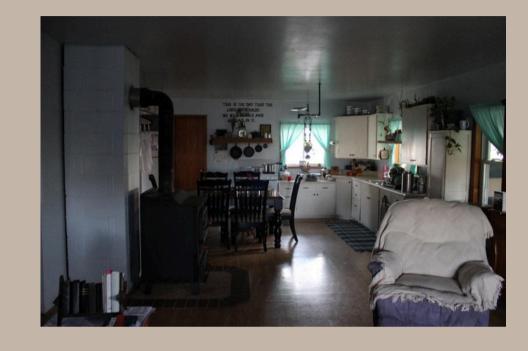






Our Home:







We live about 5 miles from town where we do our banking and where our family Dr. lives. The estimated population is 2640. Our home is a the farm in the country in wonderful rural lowa, "Where are the people are always friendly," as they say.

The Christian school our children would attend is located about half a mile from our home. Education is important to us and the teachers take their job seriously. Our curriculum is designed to impart a high school education in eight grades. The teachers are also involved in children's playtime at recess and enjoy planning fun activities such as going on nature, hikes, working on crafts during art time, and skating in the winter. Field trips includes visiting the capital, exploring living history farms in Des Moines, touring fire stations, and many other points of interest.

We have enjoyed many outings with our family, such as going to various zoo, getting together at a park, and canoeing on a local lake. Last year we went to the beautiful state park that had the Des Moines river flowing through. We also believe in creating a close family relationship and making memories right at home.

Our family and friends mostly live close by but we also have relatives and friends and other states that we like to visit occasionally. We have friendly neighbors surrounding us as well and a grocery store and gift store just across the lawn. The 65 acre farm we live on provides plenty of opportunity for our child to explore. We love our cozy home and there is room for a couple children. Meal times together in the kitchen and relaxing in the family room in the evenings are special part of our lives. Sitting by the woodstove on cozy winter evenings with popcorn and hot chocolate is unbeatable. On summer evenings would like to relax out under the shade tree in the fenced in yard. We wouldn't trade the trees and the flowers and the birds for home in the city.

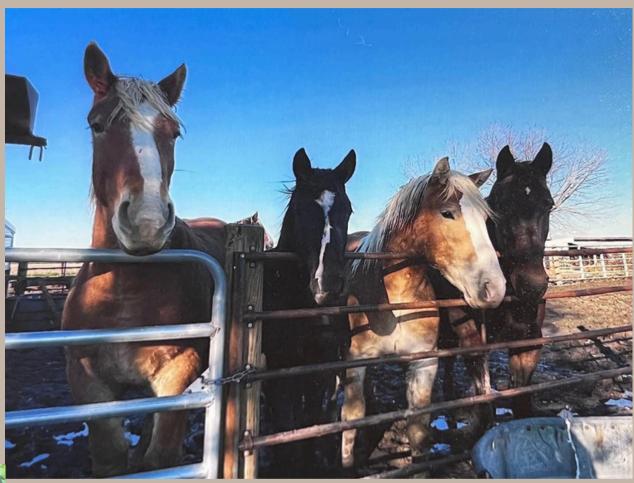
Because we love animals, we have quite a few. Our old MacDonald farm includes, horses, sheep, chickens, and beef cows. Our favorite pet is our playful puppy named Lily. She is half border collie and half Jack Russell. She loves children and sometimes becomes a little too enthusiastic and gives a face wash. She does pretty good at obeying commands, though.















So that sums up our life. Thank you for taking the time to go through a profile. It has been a pleasure to share a part of our lives with you. Should you choose us to parent your child, we will love him or her dearly. We want to make sure our children know what an important part their birth mother is in their lives. Our prayers are that you may find peace and comfort during this time.

Sincerely, David and Rachel