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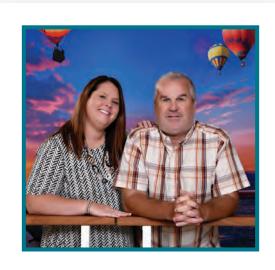


BUILDING OUR FAMILY



ABOUT US

Neither of us were sure what to expect when we took the plunge into the online dating world in 2015, but we were both hopeful love was out there. After a lot of scrolling and awkward dates with potential matches, we just clicked! Two years later, we were married in a beautiful outdoor ceremony. Janna instinctively knows how to make others feel at home. She loves to laugh, tackle craft projects, try new recipes, and have fun. She works as an assistant store manager with a large grocery store chain and is known as a caring team leader. While Steven is quieter, he is always willing to help someone else and is an encouraging support for others. As a retired military veteran, Steven enjoys military history and coin collecting. Together we enjoy fishing, going to baseball games, traveling, movie nights, camping, and working on DIY house projects.



OUR HOME & PETS

We live in a four-bedroom, 2.5-bathroom, newly renovated home. Our two-acre property includes a pool, pecan trees, and plenty of space for our three dogs—Barker, Buster, and Toby—to run and play. Janna's parents live near the back of our property in their own home and are excited about the chance to become first-time grandparents. We enjoy living in a small Southern community that offers country living as well as the benefits of good schools and many activities and opportunities. We live only one hour from the nearest beach, putting summer days at the beach within easy reach. Our home is also only two hours from larger cities that offer concerts, museums, and other events that make for fun family day trips.





WHAT LED US TO ADOPTION

We believe we were meant to meet each other at just the right time. For us, that meant creating a home as an established couple a little later in life. In the same way, we feel expanding our family through adoption is what we are meant to do. Steven has raised twin adult daughters from a previous marriage. Janna always hoped to be a parent but wanted a partner to walk that path with. A close family friend was adopted, and her story has reminded us that family is more than biology; family is love. We can't wait to create fun family traditions, make memories that always feel like home, and help our future child become the person they are meant to be.



MORE ABOUT





RACE: Caucasian

OCCUPATION: Assistant manager

EDUCATION: Bachelor's RELIGION: Nazarene SPORT: Football, baseball

FOOD: Pizza, steak, tacos

HOBBY: Crafting, fishing, camping, gardening

TRADITION: Baking at the holidays DREAM VACATION: Bora Bora

HOLIDAY: Christmas
TV SHOW: HGTV shows

SUBJECT IN SCHOOL: English, math



MORE ABOUT

Steven

RACE: Caucasian

OCCUPATION: Retired Navy EDUCATION: Associate degree

RELIGION: Nazarene
SPORT: Football, baseball
FOOD: Hamburger, soup

HOBBY: Coin collecting, camping, fishing

TRADITION: Holiday gatherings
DREAM VACATION: Grand Canyon

HOLIDAY: Thanksgiving
TV SHOW: History channel

SUBJECT IN SCHOOL: History, science

our family and traditions

Janna is an only child and has always been very close to her parents and cousins. In reality, her cousins feel more like sisters. She has a large extended family, and we regularly get together with cousins, aunts, and uncles for trips and family reunions. Sometimes our gatherings are as simple as playing cards or a cookout, but we also enjoy family cruises, gathering for fireworks on July 4, and cozy Christmas celebrations. Steven has two adult daughters, two brothers, and several cousins who live in the same state and are never too far away.

We are also surrounded by many friends who are like family, and we spend time together at the beach, going to baseball games, or working on church volunteer projects together. Every year we create an elaborate themed table for our church's Trunk or Treat event. Janna's creative side comes out, and Steven helps build what she envisions while Janna stuffs treat bags for all the kids. Janna also enjoys shopping and crafting, so each year we make or purchase thoughtful Christmas gifts for all our friends' children. We love all the hugs, texts, and pictures we





We are honored you are considering us as potential adoptive parents for your child. We can only imagine what a difficult decision it is to give your child the best life possible in this way. We admire your bravery and selflessness in starting this journey. If chosen, we are committed to making sure your child knows where he or she came from and the respect and gratitude we have for you and your decision.

We hope that no matter who you choose, you will feel supported, encouraged, and loved every step of the way. We know your one desire is to place your child in the arms of parents who will give him or her the future you imagine. While our sacrifice could never match the one you are making, we are willing to make any sacrifice necessary to give your child a full, beautiful life. Given the privilege of raising your little boy or girl, we promise to love your child unconditionally and give him or her opportunities to learn, grow, and explore the world around them while celebrating their unique story.

We hope this has given you a small glimpse into what your child's life would look like. With a wide circle of family and friends committed to loving us and our future child through the seasons of joy, the victories, and the hard places, we are excited about the adventure ahead. Thank you for taking the time to learn more about us.



WITH LOVE AND HOPE.

Janna & Steven



