



*Melissa*



# hello!

## I'M MELISSA FROM KANSAS!

**YOU ARE INCREDIBLE.** I'm not sure if you feel like a hero right now, but you are in every single way. Every person whose profile you view truly wants to be a parent and you will be the wonderful person that will make their dreams come true.

Atticus Finch from *To Kill a Mockingbird* wisely said, "You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view, until you climb into his skin and walk around in it." Try as I might to understand your life-changing decision, I can never fully comprehend your emotions and feelings because I am not walking in your shoes. All I can do is simply admire your courage, bravery, selflessness, and unconditional love you have for your baby.

I enter this journey with an open heart and an open mind knowing together we will plan the level of contact that feels right so we find our place in this new relationship.

Thank you for taking the time to get to know me. I am thrilled to have this opportunity and am embracing every moment. The timing is right for me to enter this journey and I'm ready to be a mom with a heart that is wide open and prepared to unconditionally love your child. I have been praying for years to become a mom but if I am not a match for you, know that I wish God gives you wisdom, clarity and peace with your decision.

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# A GLIMPSE *into my life*



## » I LIVE A CONSERVATIVE BUT COMFORTABLE LIFESTYLE.

Saving money and being financial secure are things I value and I center my lifestyle on building that security. Because of my lifestyle choices, I own my home and recently purchased some land with plans to build my dream home in the near future. I also have the luxury to be spontaneous by booking a last minute vacation or having the means to visit a destination for weeks instead of days.

## » I STRIVE TO LIVE A JOYFUL LIFESTYLE BY BEING OF SERVICE TO THOSE LESS FORTUNATE.

My joy to volunteer has led me to serve on a board for a local homeless shelter, organize fundraising efforts for homeless veterans, and participate in school drives for children in foster care. I value this lifestyle and want to **NURTURE YOUR CHILD'S INNATE GENEROSITY** and teach them they can make positive changes in the world by helping others.

## » I ENJOY BEING IN THE KITCHEN COOKING AND BAKING.

I find great pleasure in trying new recipes but also have my favorites like my weekly pizza night. On the weekends, I start the day with cooking a big breakfast and usually find time to make homemade cinnamon rolls, cookies, cakes and more. When I bake, I do so from scratch and let me tell you nothing beats the smell of sweet goodies baking in the oven.



## ABOUT MY *9 to 5*

I was blessed to find a successful career and have had the pleasure of working for the same company since college. I work for an auto auction that specializes in selling automobiles in the wholesale marketplace. In my executive management position, I administer three departments that include marketing, event planning, and digital sales. **MY CAREER IS VERY REWARDING BUT I KNOW MY MOST IMPORTANT JOB WILL BE BEING A MOM.** I'm lucky that my employer is family oriented, very supportive, and offers flexible hours for working parents including time off for new parents.





Family Time

# MY FAMILY

## SOME OF MY GREATEST JOYS ARE IN MY FRIENDS, FAMILY AND HOME WITH MY FAMILY BEING THE CENTER OF MY LIFE.

I am extremely fortunate to have an amazingly supportive mom, dad, and step-mom who have set beautiful examples of being kind, generous, and extremely loving.

Raising your child surrounded by love and family is important to me and as a single mom, having a superstar support system of family and friends will play an essential piece in the upbringing of your child. Your child will be surrounded by lots of love and already has a crew of kids waiting for a new playmate. It takes a village and my village is ready to welcome your baby into our family!



## 5 FAMILY TRADITIONS

- Christmas Eve Church Service
- Baking my grandmother's egg noodle recipe for Thanksgiving
- Annual 4th of July family gathering
- Canning homemade jams and jellies in the fall
- Baking Rollie Pollie, a sweet rolled treat, for family gatherings

# HOME *Sweet* HOME



**I LOVE WHERE I LIVE.** I live in a safe neighborhood just outside the city limits in a small Kansas town. Growing up in a small town, I have an overwhelming feeling of gratitude for my roots. I truly believe its special living in a small town where everyone knows and cares about you and where you can run around town and know you are safe.



Home Sweet Home



**MY HOMETOWN HAS A GREAT SENSE OF COMMUNITY** which is why I chose to continue living there as an adult. It is a peaceful, safe and secure community to raise a family.





A little family time

# ✝ My Faith

I grew up in a religious home and our family culture was to attend church every Sunday and youth group once a week. I loved the sense of community this provided for me growing up. In my adult years, I still find great comfort in attending church and being part of the Christian community. I am actively involved in my church and teach a toddler Sunday school class as well as assist in teaching our youth group. I plan to give your child a similar foundation built of family culture, faith community and a Christian upbringing that I appreciate from my childhood.



Hanging out with friends



## A few Thoughts FROM SOME OF MY FRIENDS

*"Melissa was born to be a mom. She is so kind and has many qualities that will make her a true blessing to the lucky child she is chosen to parent."*

*"Melissa is very stable and has so much love to offer. As a parent, I know she will be patient and do everything possible to provide a loving home for your child."*

*"Melissa is one of the sweetest people I know. Her natural maternal instinct and selfless attitude will make her a great mom."*

*"A lucky sweet child is in for a lifetime of love and adventure with Melissa as a parent."*

*"Melissa is an amazing person who will be an even more amazing mother."*



Hanging out with friends



# MY ADVENTURES

I HAVE VISITED  
**10 COUNTRIES**

**I LOVE TO TRAVEL AND I DO SO FOR MY SOUL.** Each year, I travel to one or more new destinations and I thrive by immersing myself in new cultures, meeting new people, tasting new foods and experiencing every adventure that destination has to offer. When I return home from a trip, I bring back wonderful memories and a fuller, richer heart. It's the unplanned, spontaneous moments of connecting with people many miles from home that make my heart full.



**I LOOK FORWARD TO SHARING MY LOVE OF TRAVEL AND EXPLORATION WITH YOUR CHILD.** I'm excited to witness how their experiences and adventures give them a fuller, richer heart along with many wonderful memories that will last a lifetime.

## TOP ADVENTURES

**PARASAILING**  
in the Bahamas

**RIVER RAFTING**  
in Yellowstone National Park

**HIKING**  
the Swiss Alps

**GHOST HUNTING**  
in Scotland

**CAVE DIVING**  
in Cozumel

**TIPI GLAMPING**  
in Montana

**SWIMMING**  
with Sea Turtles



Castle in Ireland



Horseback Riding in Montana



# MY dogs



**I LOVE SPENDING TIME WITH MY DOGS MAGGIE AND NOEL.** They are energetic, tender hearted, and enjoy playing in the yard. Maggie, my Beagle, likes to play fetch, play with her toys, and sit in the yard and watch the squirrels. Noel, my West Highland Terrier mix, is laid back and loves to go on walks. Both of them are supreme cuddlers and most nights, we take time to snuggle on the couch while I watch the latest episode of one of my favorite TV shows.



On the weekends, we head out for walks through the neighborhood and **WE CAN'T WAIT TO INCORPORATE THE KID-DIE PARK INTO OUR WEEKEND FUN!** My dogs love kids and are super excited to have someone new to play with.



## A FEW OF MY FAVORITES

**FOOD**  
Pizza & Mexican

**HOLIDAY**  
Christmas

**TV SHOW**  
Law & Order SVU

**MUSIC**  
Country

**SEASON**  
Spring & Fall

**MOVIE**  
The Goonies

**CANDY**  
Hot Tamales & Butterfinger Crisps

## MY PARENTING *style*

I believe every child deserves to be raised in an environment that **OFFERS THEM A POSITIVE PARENTING STYLE** that focuses on teaching good behavior by using kind but firm parenting techniques. We all know children learn by mimicking others, especially those who are their primary role model, so I will discipline your child by teaching them to do what I say and what I do. I also believe it is extremely important to be consistent with my expectations and **OFFER YOUR CHILD LOVING GUIDANCE** so they can learn to manage their emotions and behaviors.

*Before you go*

# A FEW PROMISES

*Should you choose me to parent your child*

Kisses and hugs will happen on a daily occurrence.

I promise a day will not go by without your child hearing the words “I love you”.

Your child will know your courage, your deep love for them and that you are the first page of their amazing story.

Our home will be a place filled with laughter, love, compassion, and structure.

Every night, I promise to reassure the following affirmations to your child:

**“You are kind.” “You are strong.” “You are smart.” “I am proud of you.”**

**“You are pretty and/or handsome.” “I love you.”**

I will provide your child a wonderful, loving upbringing that will lead them to become a confident and kind person

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*Those who leave everything in God's hands will eventually see God's hand in everything.*

