

**MEET
PATRICK
&
SAMANTHA**

TOGETHER *we make a family*

IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO RAISE YOUR CHILD WITH THE CONFIDENCE TO CHANGE THE WORLD, BUT GENTLE ENOUGH TO DO IT WITH POISE AND COMPASSION, WE ARE YOUR FAMILY.

HI! WE ARE PATRICK AND SAMANTHA. WE ARE OVER THE MOON THAT YOU ARE HOLDING AND READING ABOUT US RIGHT NOW. WE WOULD MUCH RATHER BE MEETING YOU IN PERSON FOR THE FIRST TIME, BUT THIS WILL HAVE TO DO FOR NOW AND WE HOPE THAT YOU CAN SEE OUR HEARTS THROUGH THIS BOOK.

WE HAVE BEEN MARRIED SINCE 2008. WE HAVE 2 BOYS, BENJAMIN, BORN IN '09 AND MYLES BORN IN '13.

WE ALWAYS FELT LIKE WE WERE CALLED TO GROW OUR FAMILY THROUGH ADOPTION. AFTER OUR SECOND SON WAS BORN, BEING A MORE DIFFICULT LABOR AND DELIVERY, WE DECIDED SAMANTHA WOULD NOT CARRY ANOTHER BABY. WE SPENT THE NEXT SEVERAL YEARS RAISING OUR BOYS AND YEARNING FOR MORE. WE ARE OPEN TO GROWING OUR FAMILY HOWEVER GOD LEADS.

OUR FAMILY HAS SO MUCH LOVE AND SUPPORT TO SHOW A LITTLE ONE. OUR SONS ARE READY AND AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR DECISION TO ADOPT. THEY WOULD TELL YOU THAT THEY ARE MOST EAGER TO READ TO AND PLAY WITH A LITTLE ONE AND HELP BE THEIR PROTECTOR.

WE PROMISE TO BE YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY NET OF UNCONDITIONAL LOVE AND EMOTIONAL SUPPORT. WE CAN PROVIDE YOUR CHILD WITH A SAFE AND STABLE HOME, A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE BOTH PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY AND A GOOD EDUCATION.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME THIS FAR AND WE HOPE YOU ENJOY THE REST OF OUR PORTFOLIO AND WANT TO BE A PIECE OF OUR FAMILY PUZZLE.

Patrick & Samantha









LOVE YOUR SELF

**FUN FACT:
I'M AN 8 ON THE
ENNEGRAM!**

I'm a stay at home mom with a couple part time businesses to bring in extra money to the household. I will continue this at different levels after our new addition. I was blessed to be home with our boys and am blessed to be able to be home with our new addition.

I love being a mom. I am a self-help book junkie. Our family eats healthy because of me. We spend a lot of time in the kitchen together making meals and treats.

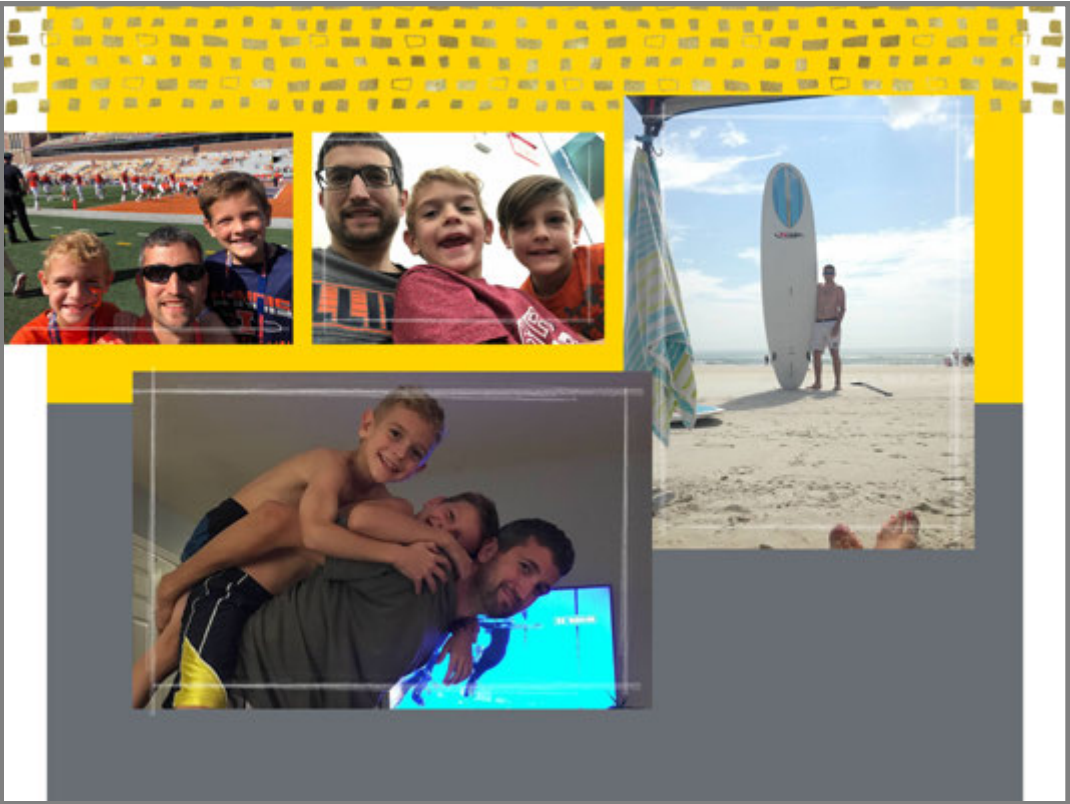
I love being outdoors when it's warm outside. When the temps hit above 60 you'll always find us outside.

I love laying with the boys outside under the sky, imagining what the clouds are together.

Because of loss and tragedy in my past, I cherish every moment a little more than the average person and I'll cherish your child just as I cherish every moment, good and bad, with our boys.

Samantha from the words of Patrick
Samantha is the protector and advocate every child needs. She will fight for what is right in everything she does for our children. Samantha gets to be a stay at home mom, which we feel is very important in raising our boys.

With being a farm family, Samantha does an amazing job keeping a good home structure during the seasons that I'm working long hours. I'm excited to bring the joy of another child into our home and watch Samantha continue being the wonderful mother she is.





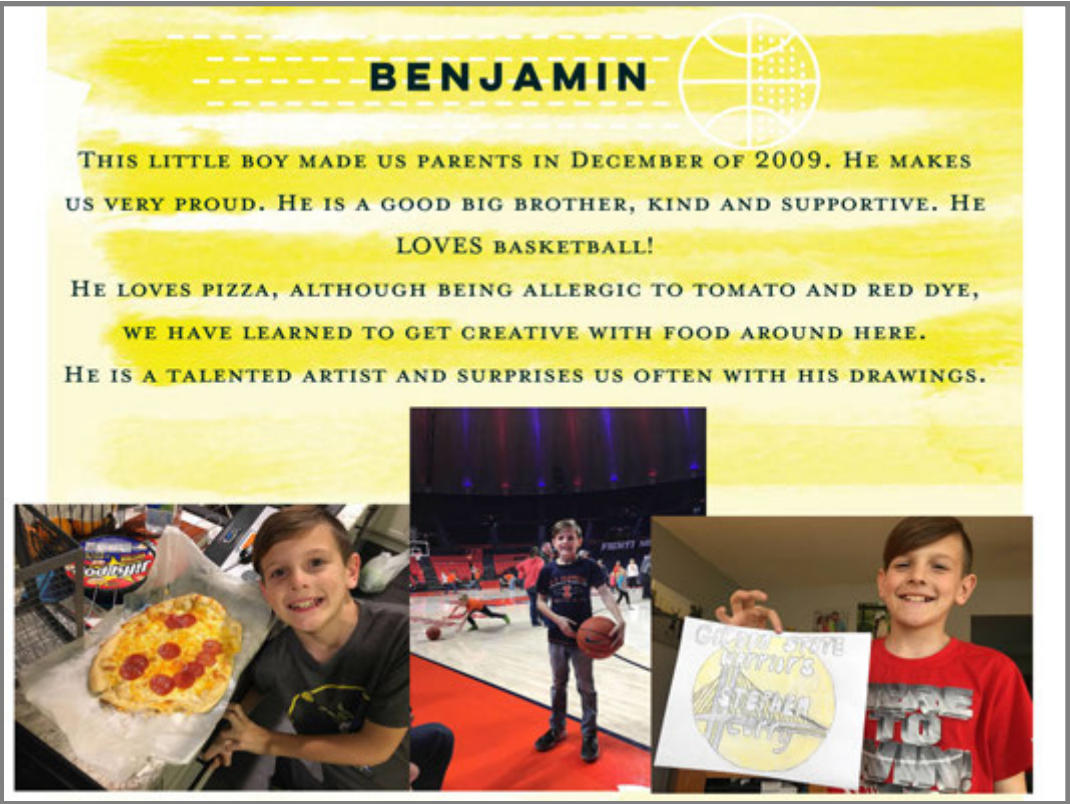
**FUN FACT:
I'M A FARMER**

I AM A FARMER AND THE 5TH GENERATION IN MY FAMILY TO DO SO. I JUST LOVE WORKING OUTSIDE AND WATCHING THE CROPS GROW EVERY YEAR.

I ENJOY BIKE RIDES WITH MY FAMILY AND SITTING AROUND A BONFIRE MAKING S'MORES. BENJAMIN AND MYLES KEEP ME BUSY PLAYING BASKETBALL AND SOCCER WITH THEM ALSO. WE ARE BIG FIGHTING ILLINI FANS ALONG WITH CUBS AND BEARS.

PATRICK FROM THE WORDS OF SAMANTHA HE IS DEFINITELY AN INTROVERT. WE BALANCE EACH OTHER WELL. HE IS A LOYAL, SUPPORTIVE AND A FAMILY ORIENTED MAN. HE IS A HARD WORKER, BUT ENJOY'S HIS DOWN TIME.

FARMING AND HIS KIDS ARE TWO OF HIS TOP PASSIONS IN LIFE. HE SETS OUT TO MAKE SURE WE ALL KNOW WE ARE LOVED BY HIM. HE WORKS TO BECOME A BETTER DAD AND HUSBAND EVERY DAY.









Time with
FAMILY



HOLIDAYS @ GG OLSON'S



COUSIN HANK TIME AT
NANA & PAPA'S



HOLIDAYS WITH MEMAW & AUNT REESIE



VISITING GG
ANDREW'S



VISITING GG HAMAND



precious memories

UNCLE JERRY



MEMAW; AUNT REESIE; AUNT PAULA; COUSINS MUJTABA; IBTIAHL

ALL OF THESE PEOPLE CAN NOT WAIT TO MEET THE NEW ADDITION



UNCLE TIM & AUNT ALEX

so much love



UNCLE BRAD









Samantha volunteers at a christian radio station and they decorated her desk on her last birthday.



Our family is all too familiar with food sensitivities and allergies. This cake is one of a kind for Samantha's birthday! Dairy and Gluten free YUMMMMMMMMM....





The things we enjoy most about
being parents are watching them
learn and do things for the first time.

We love when we get to play with
them and how that makes them happy
and fills their buckets full.

What makes us good parents is our
patience and fun personalities, our
open mindedness and our
unconditional love.

We enjoy playing basketball with Ben
and Soccer with Myles. We look
forward to adding to our family
through adoption.











WE LOVE OUR KITTIES,
BROWNIE AND FLUFFBALL.
BENJAMIN FIRST GOT OSCAR
(A LEOPARD GECKO) IN
KINDERGARTEN FOR BRINGING
HOME GREEN CARDS FOR
GOOD BEHAVIOR AT SCHOOL.
WE THEN GOT MAUI FROM A
NEIGHBOR SO THAT EACH BOY
HAD THEIR OWN LEOPARD
GECKO. THE BOYS ONCE SET
UP AN OBSTACLE COURSE FOR
THEM IN THEIR ROOM.









Excited to find out if you've picked us !
(((HUGS)))