

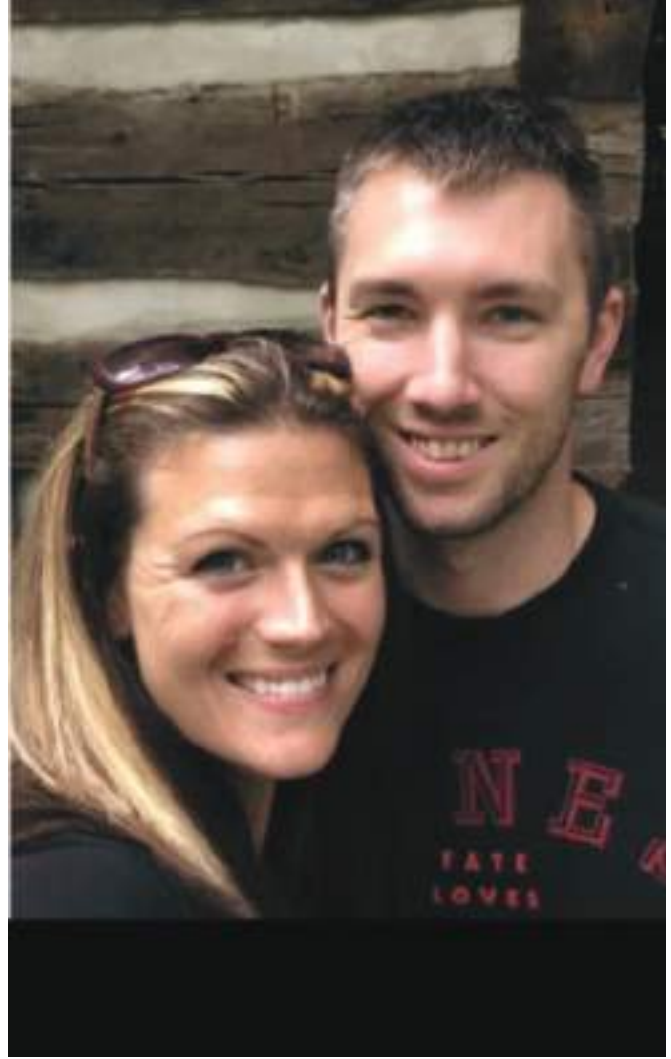


Phil & Sarah



About Us

We met at a restaurant on a blind date. Sarah was in her last year of college when she met Phil, and Phil was working full time in the Air Force. We hit it off instantly. Sarah finished college and began her first teaching job at an elementary school. In the fall of that same year, Phil proposed to Sarah and she said yes. We were married 2 years later. Phil is currently retired from the military and works as an electrician full time. Sarah is an elementary school teacher and finishing her Master program to become a School Counselor. We are Christians and very faith based with everything that we do. We attend church regularly, as it brings us all closer together as a family.



Florida vacations



Festival fun

Fun Facts About Us



Cedar point



Dinner show



Championship games

We love to be outside and active any chance that we get. We enjoy going in the hot tub together, jumping on the trampoline, riding bikes, and playing in the backyard with neighbors. When the weather is not good, we enjoy going to sky zone, Imagination Station. We love to do arts and crafts and science experiments as a family. Sarah is a runner and finishes every race with her son. Her son has also started to love running and has started doing his own kid races. We love to go to the fall and summer festivals in, and around, our local town. Our local zoo is award winning and considered one of the best in the country. We go often and are very much looking forward to bringing both of our children there. We enjoy traveling and exploring new places. Whether it be a planned trip such as Disney World (family favorite) or a spur-of-the-moment mini trip to a neighboring city for camping, we take every opportunity we can to have fun going on an adventure. We like to try different foods, meet new friends, and take lots of pictures.



About Sarah

as written by Phil:

Sarah always puts others first before herself. She is always willing to teach new things to kids, and is a great teacher. She is always helpful and kind to everyone that she meets. She is very strong, ambitious, and driven to reach her goals. Sarah truly is a one of a kind when it comes to being my wife. She is always there to help me through tough days and she is always willing to help me when I need a second hand. Sarah has and will always love the character Cinderella and will always live by Cinderella's phrase, "Always be kind".



Family nights out



Races

About Phil

as written by Sarah:

Phil is fun loving, laid back, and a hard worker. Phil is a very patient, and involved dad and husband. He is a hard worker but always puts his family first before anything. He loves to teach our son how to use tools and lets him help with every project that he does. He supports me through all my goals as an athlete and during Grad school. He is my rock and best friend. He is an amazing role model for our son and shows him how to be kind and loving to everyone that he meets.



Fall traditions



Sporting events

Our Home



Our home is in a newer subdivision in a village. We live on the dead end of the division with farmland as our backyard. It is located within a half a mile of the park, playground, library, and schools. The library has tons of activities for the kids. Our house has a new playset, trampoline, and big patio in the back that looks out into the farmland. There are many neighborhood kids in our subdivision, and all the neighbors are always looking out for each other. The village has a rec center for kids to be involved in sports before school if they choose to. The school is one of the top school systems in the state for educational success.



Our Family & Friends

Our family is very active and hands-on. Both sides of the family are supportive and involved. We live within 10 miles of Sarah's parents, aunts and uncles, and cousins. We live a little over an hour away from Phil's family, and see them multiple times a year. Both sides of the family support kids' sports and school events. Our immediate family consists of Sarah, Phil, our son Landon, and our dog Bella. We host multiple family get togethers beyond holidays. We love to play games, bake, and take walks in our neighborhood.



Disney World



Grandma and Grandpa outings



Halloween fun



Nana and Papa



Grandma and Grandpa



Sarah's family



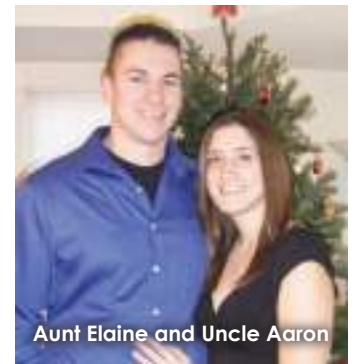
Aunt Megan and uncle Derek



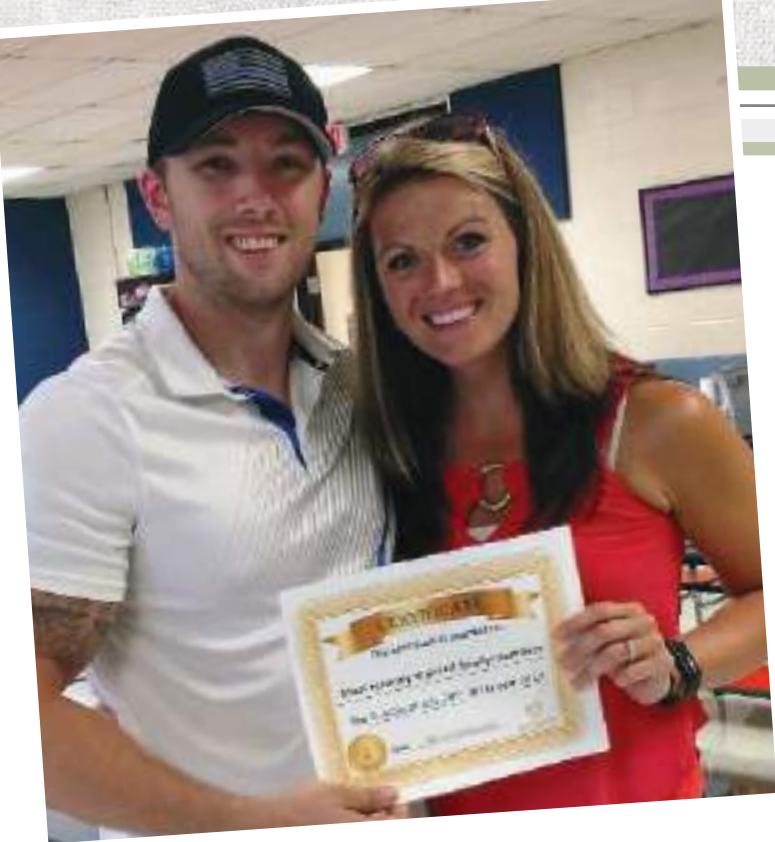
Aunt Ashley and Uncle Rob



Cousins Bennett and Emerson



Aunt Elaine and Uncle Aaron



Dear Birth Parents,

Adoption has always been in our hearts — a goal of ours from the first time we discussed starting a family, even before giving birth to our son. That's why, when we found out about Sarah's disease after delivery, we did not feel disappointed. That might surprise many people, but we just saw it as one more sign pointing us in the direction of adoption! We are looking forward to experiencing all the love and joy that adoption can bring. We would feel honored to be chosen by you and to work with you in our journey to become parents. We cannot wait to see how your child will grow, learn, explore, and become their unique self. Your child will grow up from day one knowing your role in their life and how important you are to our family. They

will know that your choices were made out of love, hope, and selflessness. We plan to help your child create an adoption book, where they will be able to learn about and tell their own unique story, including your role in it. Our family is so excited for us to start this journey. We feel blessed knowing your child will be welcomed with open arms, and celebrated as the newest addition to our family. Future grandparents cannot wait to meet your son/daughter and everyone is ready to spoil your child with gifts and love! Know that we will have not only the child's best interests in mind but yours as well.

Love, *Phil & Sarah*

Why Adoption?

We struggled to get pregnant at first, but finally did. Sarah had a tough pregnancy and was considered high-risk up until delivery. Delivery was also a risk to her and the baby. After giving birth to our son, Sarah became sick and discovered that she had a rare blood disease, making it very risky to carry and birth another child. We believe that God has a bigger plan for us, and that plan is adoption. Sarah is an elementary school teacher who is also finishing up grad school to be a school counselor. Phil is an electrician. Our love for children and determination to grow our family is strong. We have prepared our home and family for another child and cannot wait for this amazing journey to begin.

