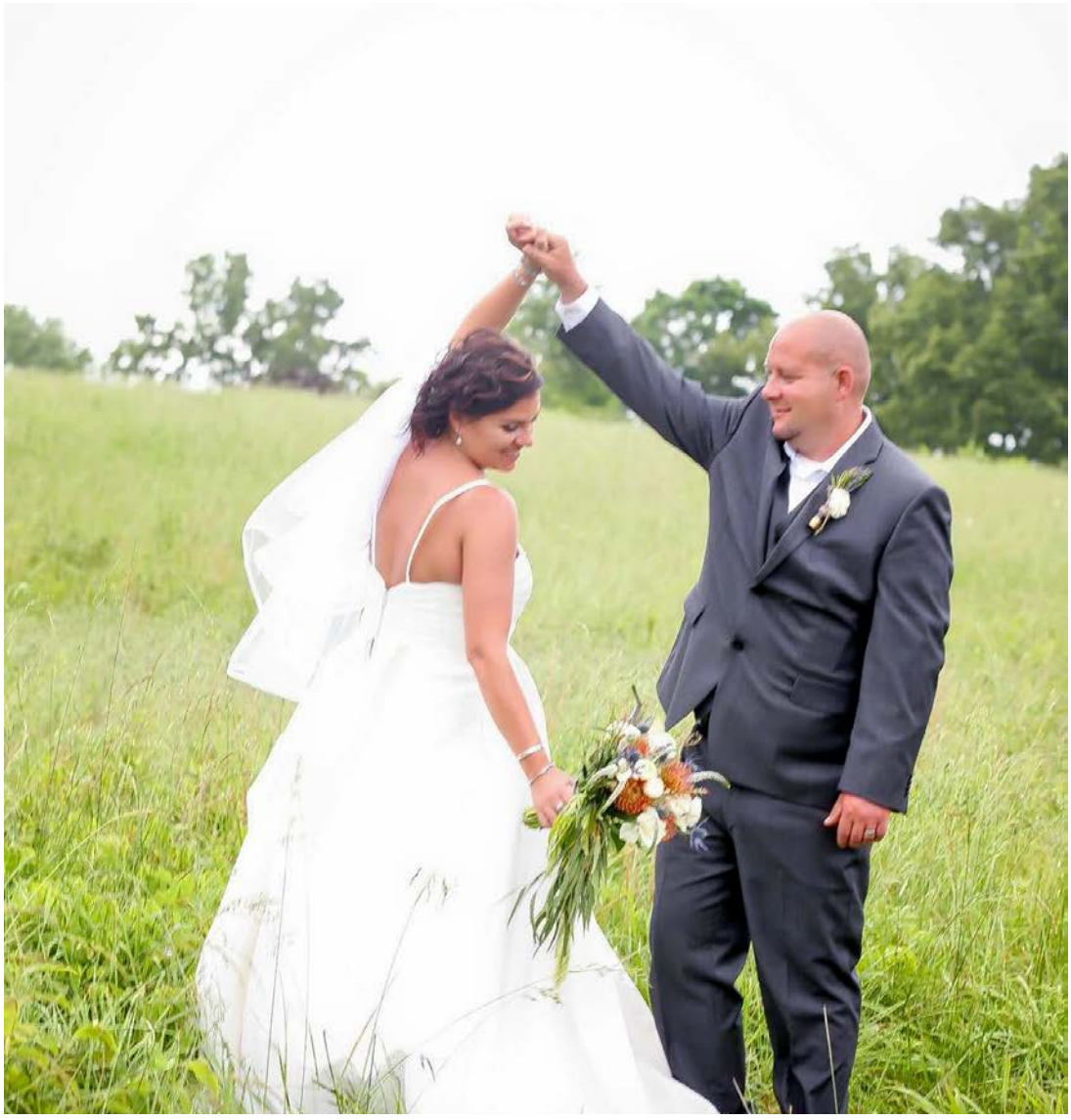
DEAR EXPECTANT PARENTS,

Hello, We are Derrick & Lynn. We thank you for taking the time to learn more about our family. Thank you for considering your choices. We are so excited to be adopting and bringing a child into our family! We hope our story will help you in making your choice. We hope this book gives you a glimpse about our family. We look forward to meeting you.

LOVE *at* LAST



We met online, and had our first date at the County Fair (derby night). We had so many things in common with each other, we knew immediately, it was going to last forever. Our wedding was perfect! It was held at our family venue on May 20, 2017. We had all our close friends & family present.

"I promise to cherish you and love you in good times and bad all the days of my life..."

a little about

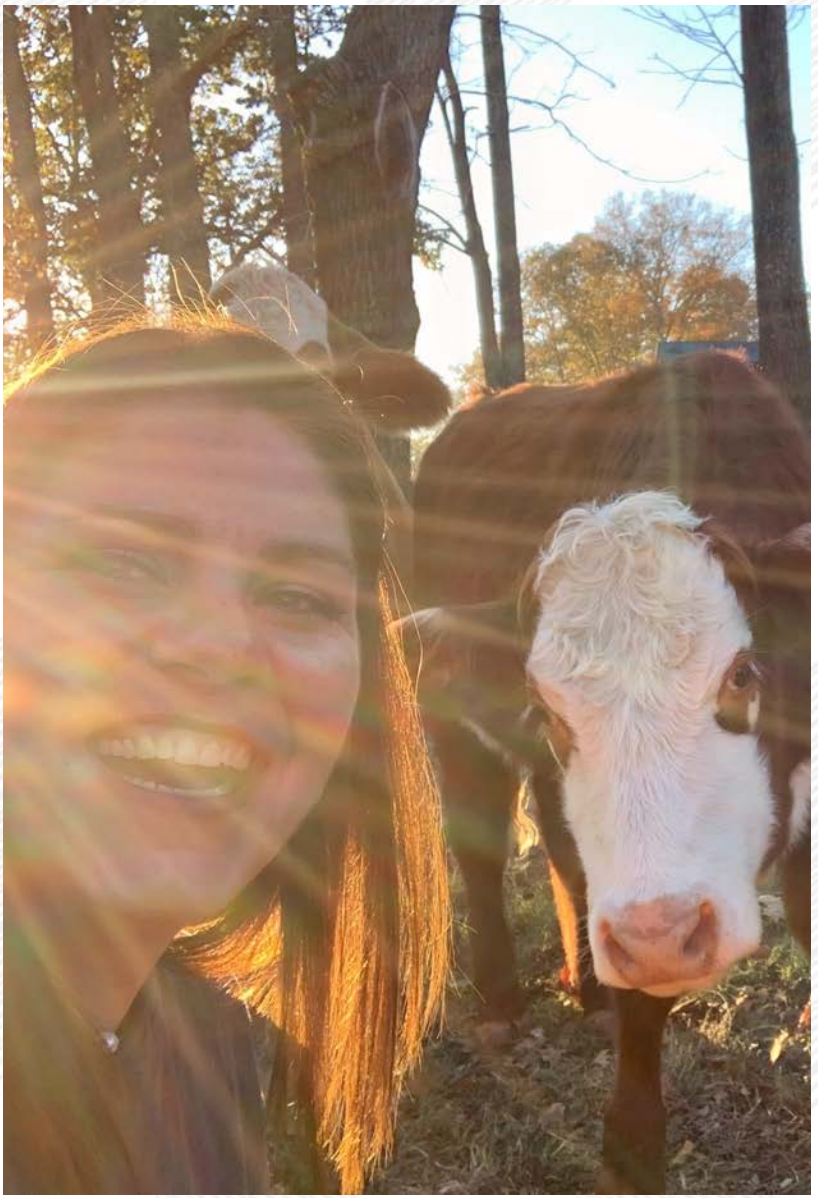
DERRICK

-passionate about fishing, whether it is with his fishing rod or bow and arrow
-loves to hunt deer and turkey especially with kids (teaching them about the outdoors, survival skills and safety)
-extremely organized
-loves traveling
-always willing to jump in and help complete any task or project
-loves to drive the 4 wheeler or RTV around the farm
-enjoys mowing the grass and keep the yard manicured
-loves coaching Grayston's football team
-playing baseball
-obviously anything outdoors
-enjoys work; he's been a machinist for 20+ years

DOLPHINS

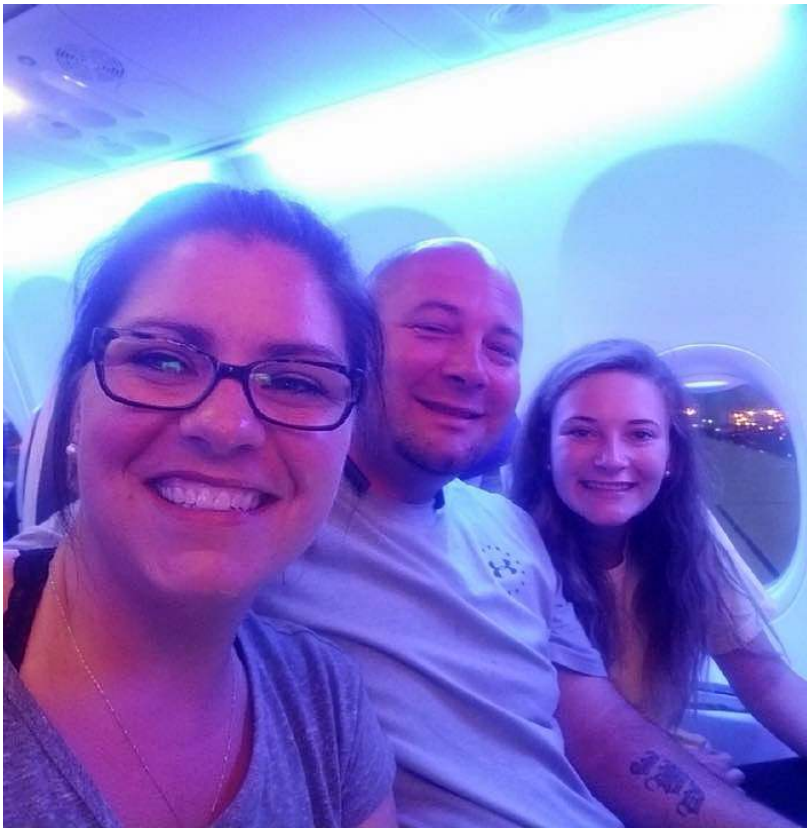
a little about LYNN

-enjoys cooking
-loves traveling and planning our next vacation
-adores family game nights
-passionate about spending time with family
-cherishes time on the water, whether its boating on the river, canoeing, paddle boarding or wake boarding
-compassionate & giving
-enthusiastic about coaching Grayston's basketball team
-loves the farm and feeding the cows (pictured with Little Miss to the right)
-works at the family business; tractor dealership & wedding venue



a little about JULIE

Julie is Derrick's 20 year old daughter
-cares very much for spending time with family
-honored to be the new Alpha Delta Pi Eta Gamma chapter Chaplin and serve the Lord in her sorority
-loves traveling
-proudly going to college to get her bachelors degree in Speech Pathology
-loves hunting & fishing with her dad
-certified lifeguard
-huge play/musical fanatic, and can burst out any song and dance from any musical
-was chosen to be in 2 country music videos
-always happy
-extremely excited to have a new sibling



NEYLAND STADIUM
TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS
FOOTBALL

about us

-we love being around each other
-looking for fun adventures
-absolutely love watching Julie pursue her dreams
-cooking new recipes
-watching football together
-very excited to raise a child in our loving home
-blessed to have the support from our family & friends to follow our passion through adoption
-simple, easy going
-enjoy watching our friends children play sports
-feeding the fish in our pond
-checking on our cows
-wading through the creek

pictured left to right:
Lynn
Julie *(Derrick's 20 year old daughter)*
Derrick
&
Grayston (Lynn's 9 year old nephew)

quick trip to Gatlinburg

WHERE WE CALL *home*

We built our home in 2014 on our 100 acre family farm,
with family as our neighbors.
We have 3 bedrooms, 2.5 bathrooms, and a full basement.

master bedroom

living room

dining room/living room

kitchen

Home sweet Home

so proud of our brand new flagpole in the backyard

We love to grill out & grow tomatoes - overlooking our pond

Derrick & Wyatt, our best friends son

Grayston, Lynn's nephew, helping us feed the cows

Lynn's dad digging new fence post holes

Julie & Tate, Lynn's sister, prepping to smoke a Turkey

Lynn & Grayston helping PopPop
pull fence post on the farm

Lynn's family Christmas gathering

THESE ARE OUR

FAMILY & FRIENDS

We have a huge support group, including all our family and friends, which we are very involved with.

Derrick's grandmother, mother, brother, nephew, & sister-in-law at Julie's high school graduation

Lynn's cousins

Lynn's best friends
- celebrating a wedding at the family venue

Celebrating Lynn's mom's birthday with a crawfish boil

Lynn's family gathering

Christmas lunch with Derrick's family

Derrick's grandmother, daughter, and mom

Vacation with our best friends

Escape Game fun with friends

Quick picture with Lynn's mom after our wedding

FAMILY

Grayston, Lynn's nephew,
excited to stand on the paddle board

Vacation with our best friends

Lynn's friends Christmas party

Friends BBQ cookout

Derrick's mom, daughter and grandmother

Friends Halloween Party

Excited to meet our newest cousin, Henry

Friends gathering at the Banana Pudding Festival

Spending time with Julie, Derrick's mom &
Grandmother

memories

Family

Julie, Lynn, & Tate (Lynn's sister)

Lynn's family with Mr. & Mrs. Claus

Ready to ride in our local parade
to promote the family venue

Grayston won biggest fish
(with Derrick)

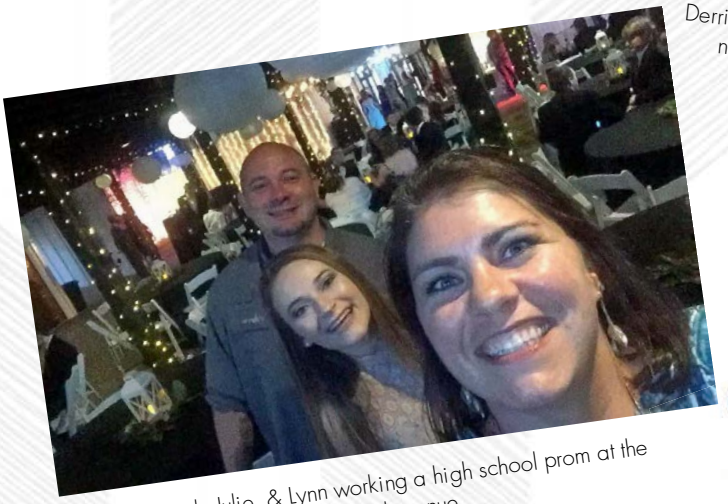
Lynn's family after Grayston's football game
(that is Julie in the Dolphin's mascot)

Julie and Derrick's Granny

Friends birthday party

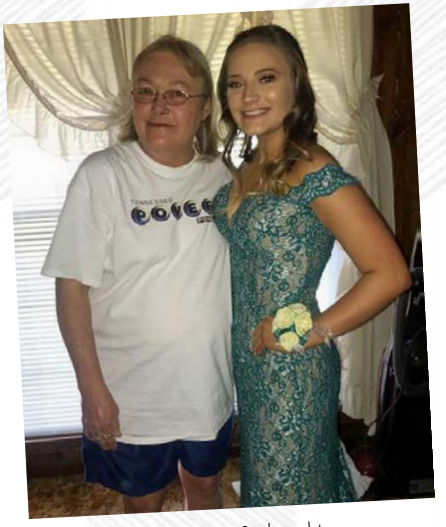
LOVE

Derrick's mom, brother, grandmother, nephew, niece, and daughter



Derrick, Julie, & Lynn working a high school prom at the family venue

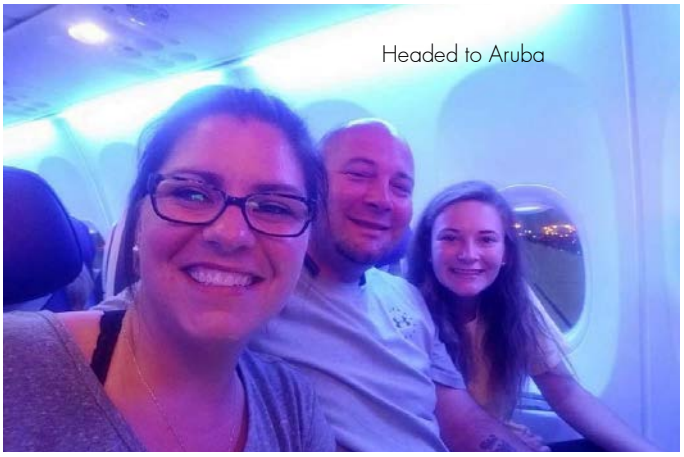
Sweet moments



Derrick's mom & daughter

Gatlinburg, TN

Caribbean Cruise


Headed to Aruba

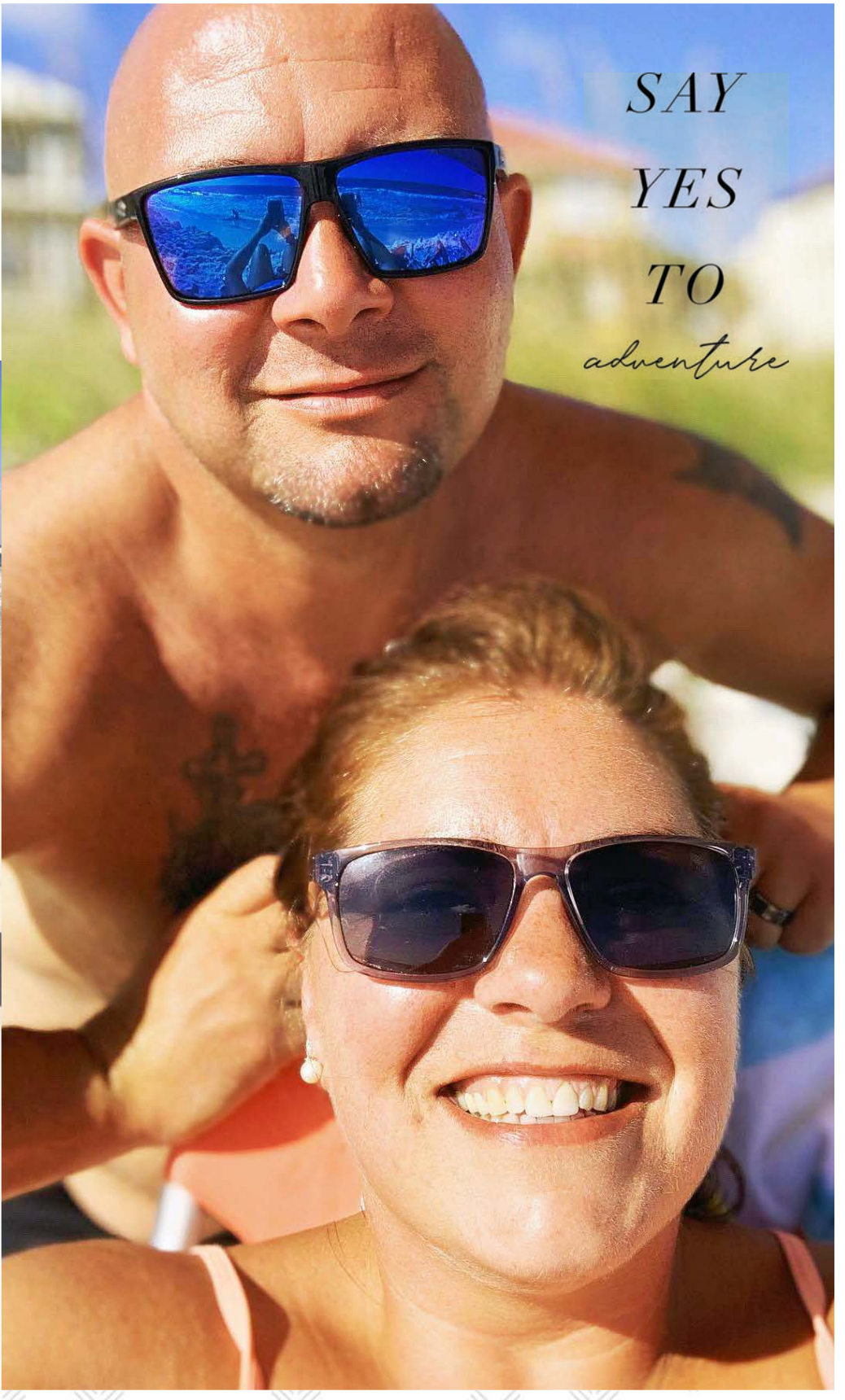
life is an

ADVENTURE

Florida deep sea fishing

Cozumel Jeep Excursion

happiness is together



Our promise to you...

We have always dreamed about being parents together and having a child to raise in a loving home! We are very exciting to be adopting and have so much love to share for this child as we expand our family. Please always know we will unconditionally love and cherish your child and we will make sure that he or she will be proud to be adopted. More than anything, we want you to know that we will love your child unconditionally and will nurture him or her to grow up to be the best person that he or she can be. We hope this book gave you a look at our lives and we look forward to meeting you. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,
Derrick & Lynn

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