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# Shy & anel





### about us

We are Shy and JaNel, JaNel likes to go by Nelly. . We started dating in 2015 after meeting through mutual friends. We became inseparable right away and were engaged five months later. We married at Nellys father's farm in South Dakota in 2016. Together we do a lot of camping, fishing, and anything outdoors. We love to travel, go boating, or take our side by side out for a picnic and adventure to the lake and let our dogs run! Nelly works as a ranch hand, and Shy currently stays home to help take care of Nellys mother. We are very outgoing, friendly, happy people, and spending time with any of our 19, three of which are adopted, nieces and nephews is one of our favorite things to do!

#### OUR HOME & PETS

We live in a three-bedroom house with a basement. We have a big yard and a beautiful deck for nights with family and friends. Our town has roughly 300 people, so it's a small but definitely a welcoming town! We have a bar and grill in town alongside a pizza place that Nelly and her siblings own! We are located right across the street from an excellent elementary/high school that offers small class sizes and individualized attention for every student. Our school has roughly 10-15 children per class, and our teachers are outstanding! We currently have two cats, Kally and Patches, both female and calico! We also have three dogs! Rylee is a female blue heeler mix, Chace is a male yellow Lab, and Dak is a male shih-tzu mix!

### WHAT LED US TO ADOPTION

In the first year of our marriage we already began talking about starting a family. After an exhausting five years of fertility treatments we knew it was time to explore other options. Nellys brothers have adopted, and Shys step mom adopted her when she was about 5. We have already benefited from adoption so much in our lives we can't think of a better way to start a family! It's a long journey filled with so much learning, but in the end, we know it will be worth it.



## our life together













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Occupation: CNA Education: GED Race: Caucasian Sport: Denver Broncos football Food: Broccoli, pineapple Hobby: Camping, fishing, doing makeup Tradition: Christmas with family Musical Group: Blink-182, Twenty One Pilots Movie: Walk the Line Dream: Jamaica Holiday: Christmas, 4th of July TV Show: Grey's Anatomy Subject in School: Math Book: House of Night series







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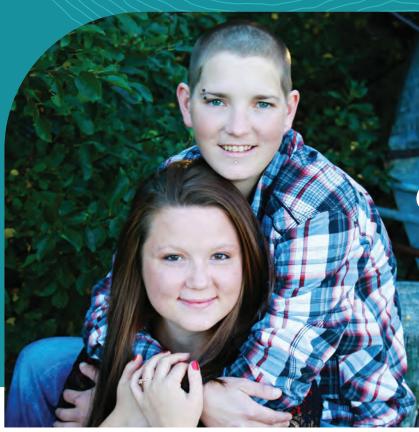


### OUR FAMILY & TRADITIONS

Nelly comes from a pretty large family. Her oldest brothers are twins, then two single brothers, and finally her and her twin sister! Her parents are retired and live at the family farm. She also has uncles who are twins. Most of Nelly's family lives right here in town, or within an hours drive, so we do most of our traditions and gatherings with them. At Christmas, we all go to Nelly's aunt's house to have supper, exchange gifts, and play games. We also enjoy getting together with Nelly's brothers and camping at the lake about four miles from our town or down at the dam!

Shy also comes from a bigger family but no twins! She has two brothers and two sisters and one sister who is deceased. Shy's birth mother is deceased, and she does not have a relationship with her father. Her adoptive mom and siblings live in WA, so every summer we like to travel there and go camping together in the mountains! Our traditions with Shy's side of the family look different because they live so far away, but we are all still close as ever.





### DEAR expectant mother

Courage: the ability to do something that frightens one

Selfless: concerned more with the needs and wishes of others than one's own

Love: an intense feeling of deep affection

These are the three words that come to mind when we think of you. We don't know all of the things in your life that lead you to decide to choose adoption for your baby, but whatever they may be, we want you to know all three of those words describe you. Your baby will know how strong and brave you were, and we hope to continue connection with you after adoption would be finalized.

We want you to know we are here for you, and your baby. We hope to be able to be a help to you, and we want you to trust that we will have your baby's best interest in all things life has to offer. We want you to know we will fill your baby's life with love and laughter, stability and trust, kindness and respect. We plan to give your baby the best life we know how!

We thank you so much for taking the time to get to know us a little better and look forward to meeting you and getting to know each other better!

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