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Chris

Jenny

Job Description:

Senior Programmer/Analyst

First Grade Teacher
Will be a Stay-at-Home Mother

Education:

Bachelor of Applied Science

Bachelor of Science in Education

Favorites:

Tradition

Visiting Family Over The Christmas Holiday

Tradition

Hunting for Jelly Beans on Easter

Hobby

Interacting on Facebook

Hobby

Making Crafts

Fast Food Restaurant

Chipotle

Fast Food Restaurant

Panera Bread

T.V. Show

Sportscenter

T.V. Show

Cake Boss

Family Activity

Going on Vacations

Family Activity

Playing games

Children:

None

What Takes Priority in Our Lives

The first priority in our life is each other. No matter what happens in other areas of our lives, we know that the strength of our marriage is the highest priority. No amount of money, job prestige, or material wealth can replace a loving relationship with someone you love. We both feel that our marriage has remained strong over 14 years because of this commitment.

We also place a high priority on our family. We have positive relationships with our parents and siblings. It is fun to watch our sisters develop as mothers. Our parents have provided unconditional love for us, and we both know it is important to return the love to them.

Faith is at the center of everything. We are active in our church, and accept the responsibility of serving as role-models for our nieces and nephews.

When we bring a child into our lives, he/she will be of utmost importance. Any decisions we make as a couple will focus on doing what is best for him/her.

What We Love About Each Other

Chris is my one and only. When I met Chris, I first noticed his thoughtful eyes. He is very generous and patient. I can always count on him. He is also detail-oriented and humorous. If you need to know a fact, especially when it comes to sports or history, Chris is the one to ask! With his continual support and ability to laugh at himself, he is a wonderful husband and will be an even better father.

I would not be where I am today if it were not for my wife, **Jenny**. She gives me strength and support, even during my roughest times. Whenever I go through my day, it brings me happiness and peace knowing she will be there by my side. Jenny is also very beautiful! She is a wonderful teacher who is always concerned about the well-being of her students. I admire the amount of time and energy she puts into her desire to educate and nurture her students. I know she will show the same qualities as a mother.

Our House and Neighborhood



Our home serves as a refuge from the hustle and bustle of everyday life. It is nice to sit on the front porch and wave at familiar dog walkers or sit in the back patio area to relax by our garden. We are fortunate to have a community play area and pond with many ducks within walking distance. The nieces and nephews love to bring their bikes and ride around the neighborhood. Our moms and sisters enjoy being close to the mall while our dads like how close we are to the area home improvement stores! After living in our home for ten years, we have developed close relationships with our neighbors who cannot wait to help us when needs arise!



Our Home

Our Pets Are Important To Us



CoCo and Missy Looking Outside

When Jenny grew up, she had the same cat for twenty years! Gigi was a source of both strength and joy when growing up. Chris also had the chance to get to know this strong-willed cat. When we got married, Chris already knew that one day a cat would join the family. Even though Chris prefers dogs, he grew to love the first cat that we brought home. Willa is an independent cat who is not afraid to show her opinion!

A few years later, Jenny wanted another cat. We went to the store, and saw two sisters sleeping next to each other. At this point, Chris did not have the heart to break up the sisters. This delighted Jenny! We now have a cozy home with three energetic cats.

Our Extended Family

We have a strong bond with our families even though we live in different areas. Thanks to the internet, phone calls, and extended weekends, we have been able to visit with our families on a regular basis.

A couple times a year, **Chris** visits with his dad and brother in Eastern Kentucky. His dad owns a 168 acre plot of land which is great for hiking and seeing wildlife. During these times, **Jenny** visits her family to go shopping and have fun with her niece and nephew.

While Chris never had the opportunity to meet Jenny's grandparents, Jenny had the privilege of meeting all four of Chris' grandparents. During those times, we enjoyed talking about past and present events and playing cards. One special memory we share is when we brought Chris' dad's parents ribs on their 68th wedding anniversary. Currently, Chris has one remaining grandparent. His mom's dad is 91 and can beat almost anyone at Wii Bowling!

When we visit our family, we get bombarded with hugs and requests to play! Our nieces and nephews cannot wait to see us and vice versa. They know that they can wrestle and play sports games with Chris. With Jenny, they know that she is always ready to play board games, make crafts, or bake sweets. All of the young girls and boys cannot wait to meet their new cousin and have him/her join in on the fun!

We place a strong emphasis on keeping in contact with our family. Having such loving parents and siblings helps to make this possible!

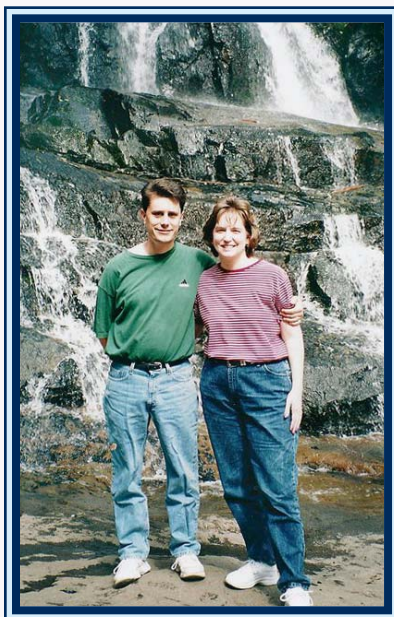


Jenny with Her Family



Chris and Jenny with His Family

Our Favorite Vacation Spot

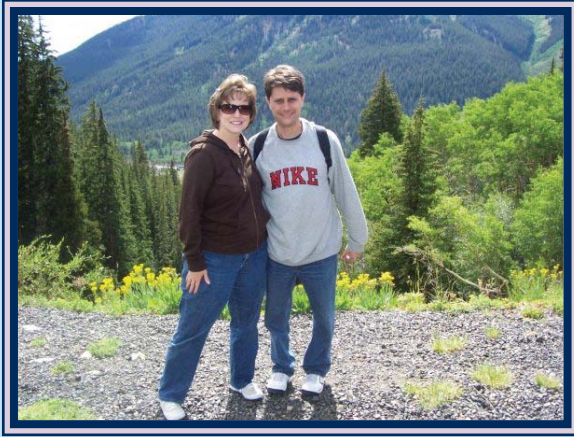


A Hike in The Smoky Mountains

We have been to the Smoky Mountains several times since we got married. Some of our memorable times include hikes at Grotto Falls, Clingman's Dome, and Hen Wallow Falls. We have seen breath-taking views and then relaxed in the pool after running out of breath on trails! In the evenings, it has been fun to eat out and go shopping in Gatlinburg. Chris still thinks the Donut Friar has the best donuts!

In August 2008, we went to Colorado. During our time there, we hiked along two trails. One was a leisurely hike around Cataract Lake. Jenny loved the beautiful flowers and waterfall. The next day, we went to the Continental Divide at Loveland Pass and hiked up a 1000 foot hill! Yes, this was Chris' favorite part. We also went horseback riding through the Rocky Mountains. The views and the openness from the top of the mountains were stunning! A storm miles and miles away could easily be seen.

A year later, we went whitewater rafting for the first time at New River Gorge in West Virginia. The rapids were wonderful, especially since the water level was much higher than normal. We were both thrown from the boat within the first ten minutes! After that was out of the way, we enjoyed riding the waves.



On Vacation in Colorado



Anniversary Dinner

Chris & Jenny



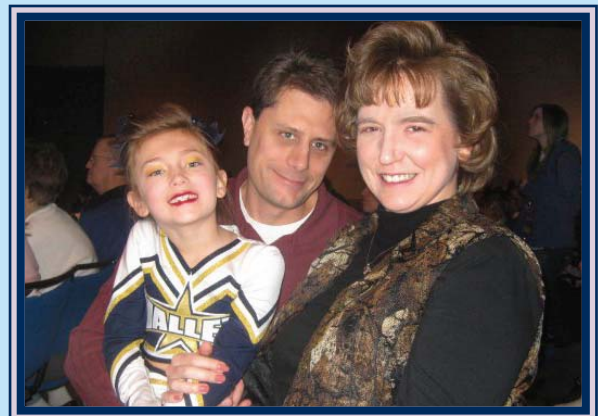
At Lakeside



Chris Giving His Niece a "High Five"



Chris Spending Time with His In-Laws



Chris and Jenny with Their Niece

Dear Birthparent(s),

Thank you for taking the time to learn about us. We have great compassion for you and your child. During a confusing time, you are focusing on the child's needs and exploring what is best for him/her. What great strength and love you have! Please know that our hearts prayerfully go out to you and support whatever decision you make.

Believe it or not, we have known each other for 23 years and have been married for 14 years. By being friends in high school first, we developed a strong respect for one another. Since then, we have developed a great love for one another. We are there for each other in fun and difficult times. When one of us needs a laugh or a helpful hand, the other is there.

Even though we enjoy our life together, we feel that a piece is missing. We have been unable to conceive a child despite medical efforts. This has been frustrating and challenging. At the same time, it has helped us grow closer emotionally and spiritually as well as gain compassion for others. We have met inspiring people who chose not to parent their children and families whose children joined them through adoption. God has a special plan for us. We cannot wait to see how it is revealed!

If you choose to create an adoption plan for your child, and we are fortunate enough to be the selected adoptive parents, know that we will love the child with our whole hearts. Jenny will become a stay at home mom and Chris looks forward to being a loving father each evening with the child. He/she will be the center of both of our lives. His/her adoption story will be told from day one. Your child will know what great sacrifices you made out of love for him/her. We will send you letters and pictures so that you may watch your child grow and experience life. It would be great to receive some letters and pictures from you as well! During each milestone, your child will be reminded of you and how you gave him/her the gift of life. We realize that adoption is a life-long commitment. We will lovingly take on this responsibility.

Fortunately, we have the support of our families, friends, neighbors, and church community. Many have volunteered to help us whenever the need arises. Even our nieces and nephews anxiously await the opportunity to help! Just as the children we know have individual talents, we will encourage the talents of your child. Whether it be sports, music, dance, math, or something else, we will be there to help your child do his/her best.

Thank you for taking the time to read our profile. We wish you well as you carefully make the best choice for your child. We realize that this is not an easy decision for you. Please know that our prayers are with you no matter what you decide.

Sincerely,

Chris and Jenny

