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David

Jody

Job Description:

Senior Business Manager for a Food Broker

Cardiologist, Plans to go Part Time

Education:

B.S. Music Merchandising

B.A. Chemistry, M.D. Cardiology

Favorites:

Children's Book
Dr Seuss

Children's Book
Curious George

Dream Job
Ski Instructor

Dream Job
Sailboat Captain

Hobby
Triathlon

Hobby
Travel

TV Show
Seinfeld

TV Show
American Idol

Type of Music
Rock n Roll

Type of Music
Classic Rock

Children:

None

Qualities We Love, Admire and Respect in Each Other

David about Jody: There are so many things I love and admire about Jody. She always thinks of others first and has the biggest heart of any person I have met. At the same time I admire her for how strong a person she is as well. She never backs down from her beliefs and never allows others to take advantage of her or her family and friends. What I love about Jody is how much fun we have together. We are celebrating our 3rd Wedding anniversary this year and I feel we are still on our Honeymoon. I love how we are always together and hate to be apart. I love her with all my heart and know she is my soul mate.

Jody about David: I never knew what it meant to be "in love" with someone until I met David. He is one of the most caring, compassionate and considerate individuals I have ever met. He is dedicated and honest in his work and personal life. He has a very strong relationship with God and has helped me to grow spiritually. He is always doing romantic gestures for me with little cards and flowers and he always makes me feel special and loved. He makes me laugh all the time and can see the humor in situations. He and I have so many common interests and we have similar thoughts on raising children, and on politics and religion. He is my best friend and is going to make an amazing father.

What it Means to Be a Parent

Being a parent is an awesome gift and responsibility which we are both excited to take on. We plan to be a part of all the activities, changes, successes and challenges that your child will encounter. We will love this child unconditionally. We will try to provide the best home, education, religious teaching and guidance that we can. We will encourage him/her to develop their own talents and interests and we look forward to seeing him/her grow into a happy and productive individual. We are excited for this child to meet our extended families and grow up knowing grandparents, great grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins. We look forward to establishing traditions with this child as part of our family.

Our House and Neighborhood

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Our home is located in a welcoming community in Ohio. Though we live near the city, the area has a "small town" feel. We live minutes from several parks, restaurants, shops, playgrounds and schools. There is a town square near our home which has a lot of fun activities throughout the year to include bike races, parades, festivals, running activities and concerts. These are family oriented events that are typically a lot of fun to attend. Our house is a newer home on a street with a cul de sac with little traffic. It allows the neighborhood kids to play safely outdoors. Our neighborhood is medium sized and has a variety of homes with large trees and plenty of space to play ball, ride bikes or hang out on the swing set with the other neighborhood kids.



Our Home

Our House and Neighborhood, continued



Ironman Competition in Our Neighborhood

Our house has three bedrooms, a large great room with an open kitchen, dining area and living room. There are 2 ½ bathrooms and a large finished basement with a lot of room for toys and games. We even have a ping pong table for fun. The community has a variety of excellent options for schools both private and public.



Jody with David's Family

Our Extended Families

David is the second of three children. He has an older brother married with 6 children and a younger sister with 2 children. David's mother is enjoying her retirement by keeping up with her mother, stepmother and friends. David's father passed away in 1996. David's family lives in close proximity to each other, allowing frequent family gatherings. During family parties you can always count on a good competitive card game, ping pong, pool or board game between the kids and parents for fun. Playing golf has always been a common bond in David's family. During his most recent visit home, he was able to go the driving range to hit some golf balls with Jody, his mom and step grandmother. Church has always been a big part of David's life from childhood to adulthood. Sunday's are always set aside for worship. David's family has is very excited about his decision to adopt and can't wait for the news that he has been chosen as an adoptive parent.

Jody is the first of three children. She has two younger brothers and continues to be the bossy, older sister to this day. Her middle brother is married and has three daughters. He and his wife own their own trucking and excavation company. Her younger brother has a son and works with his older brother. Jody has always been very close to her parents and talks with them several times a week. Her mother is retired from her job as a secretary. Her father still works as an accountant, but is thinking about retiring soon. Both she and her middle brother were adopted by their parents as infants. Jody intentionally moved closer to her family after finishing her time commitment with the Air Force. She understands the importance of family and the limited time that we often have to share. Consequently, she and David are often able to visit on weekends or special occasions. Her family loves college football and has had a healthy Ohio State verses Michigan rivalry that dates back to childhood. There is also always time for a competitive Euchur or Uno card game during family events. Her family if very familiar with adoption and is very excited to include a new "little one" into the family circle.



Jody's Family



Exploring Wyoming

Favorite Vacation Spot

We love to travel anywhere and have been to Ireland, Belize, Colorado, Wyoming, New Mexico and the Caribbean since our marriage. We love the outdoors and love to visit locations where we can hike, see wild life and learn about the history and culture of the area. Our favorite spot, however, has been our trip out west to Mount Rushmore, Yellowstone and the Grand Tetons. The scenery and hiking were truly amazing. There were breathtaking mountains, geysers, lakes, sunsets, waterfalls and wild life...we had a few close encounters with some bear, buffalo and a moose!! The excitement of the "wild west" combined with the history, scenery and friendly atmosphere made it a dream vacation.



Hiking in New Mexico



Taking a Cruise

David & Jody



A Wonderful Meal Together



St. Thomas Vacation



Ski Trip



Ready to Sail

Dear Birthparent(s),

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Our names are Jody and David. We met about four years ago after a blind date. It seemed impossible to both of us that we could have fallen so quickly for each other, but within 4 months we were engaged and within 10 months were married. We have so much in common but seem to compliment each other with our differences. Jody is the organized and efficient "Type A" personality, and David is the practical and patient "Type B" personality, which works perfectly for our marriage. We both feel strongly that marriage is a covenant and life time commitment and we will do anything in our power to make our marriage work.

We are both excited about starting a family and we wanted to get pregnant right away after we got married. Though things did not work out that way, we realize now that it was an opportunity for us to learn and grow as a couple before adding a child to our family. We have been married three years now and we both really want to experience the joy of having a child in our lives and the fulfillment of being parents. We can hardly wait to be a part of Cub Scouts/Brownies, soccer, museum visits, school parties...or any other adventure that awaits us! Holidays and birthdays have always been a big deal for us and our families. We can't wait to include this child in all the traditions from Easter egg hunts and pictures with Santa, to making cookies and pies with grandma. We are very active and look forward to camping trips, swim lessons, biking and exploring the world and all it has to offer as a family.

We plan to provide an environment in which this child will feel special, accepted and loved. We will give encouragement, guidance and educational opportunities so that your child can develop into a happy and healthy individual. We live in a diverse community where many other families have adopted children. Your child will be able to interact with other children that will likely be having some of the same thoughts and feelings about adoption. He or she will know from as early as possible that they were adopted. He/she will know how hard it was for you to make that decision and how you have entrusted us with his or her care. We plan on sending pictures and letters to you on a regular basis, if you desire, so that you can see how your child is growing and developing. Jody was adopted as an infant and she understands what a selfless sacrifice this was for her birth mother. She is so grateful for the family that she was placed with, who have helped her become the person she is today. Our families are very much in support of this decision and Jody's parents were able to share their memories and insight about their adoption experience since they adopted Jody and her brother.

We are both thrilled about becoming a mother and father. We can't wait to share our love and joy with a child. We hope that you will entrust us with the care of your child. We are committed to becoming the best parents that we can be.

Sincerely,

David and Jody

