

WILL, ERICA & ASHER

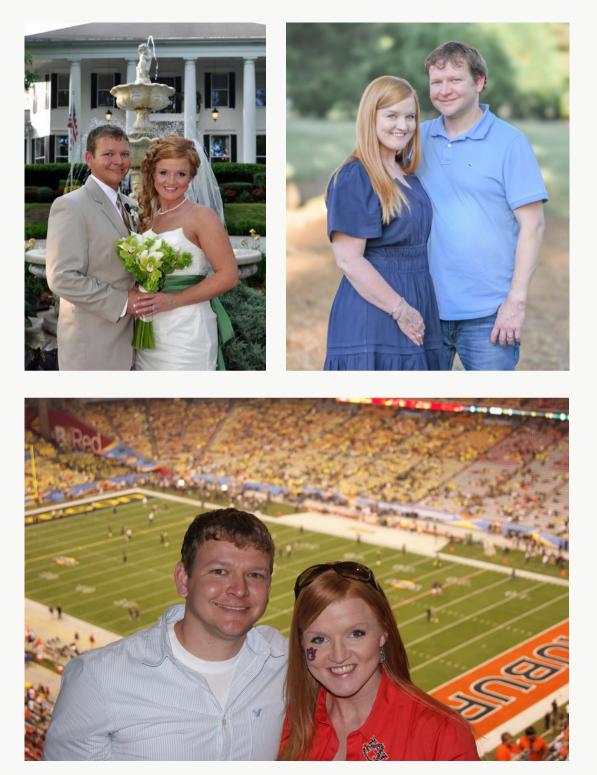


Hello Mana,

Thank you for taking the time to get to know a little bit about us! We feel so honored to be able to share a glimpse of our lives with you. Above all, we want you to know that we pray for you and your baby daily. We hope that whatever path you choose, you always feel supported and at peace. We are in awe of your strength and courage. We know you want the very best for your baby. We share that desire, too.

We promise to provide a loving and supportive home for your child so they can grow and reach their full potential. Your child's well-being and happiness will always be our top priority. Your child will be loved unconditionally and cherished by us, our family, and our friends.

-Will, Erica & Asher



Our Story

We met through a mutual friend in the fall of 2008. After months of Will insisting that we should go on an official date, Erica agreed. We dated for 2 years before getting engaged. We were married on a beautiful spring day with our family and friends all gathered in support. We have now been married for 13 years.

We are both from very rural small towns. We enjoy traveling, hiking, sporting events, and spending as much time as possible with family and friends. We absolutely love to host others at our home to cook on the grill, sit around the fire pit, or watch a football game.

Our Heart for

Adoption

Adoption had always been on Erica's heart for as long as she can remember. Every time she would hear an adoption story, she could feel a tug at her heart and knew it was a calling on her life. Early in their dating life, Erica told Will about her hope to adopt. This became a shared desire for us. Little did we know at the time that part of the reason adoption was planted in our hearts was because it would be the only way we could grow our family. After years of infertility and treatments, we had a very clear understanding of God's will for our family. Adoption has become such a large part of our family through our adoption of Asher. The admiration we have for his birth mom is unmeasurable. We have an open adoption and have built a strong relationship with her and her family. We wish the same for you if that is your desire. We respect your decision and your story. We will always honor, cherish and celebrate adoption for the gift it is to our family.









Hobbies: Cooking, traveling, watching sports, & antiquing

Favorite Tradition

Cooking & hosting friends & family for Thanksgiving

WILL

Will has an array of special qualities, but the ones that stand out the most are his strength, discipline, protectiveness, and integrity. Will can face adversity head-on and work through solutions to create a more positive outcome. His strength, resilience, and protectiveness makes him the rock for our family. He has an instinct to help others whether as a neighbor or by volunteering within our community. Will loves to cook and put his own spin on dishes. As a family, of course, we love to taste them all! He is always up for an adventure and to explore new things. He also looks forward to road trips, an afternoon in the park, or grabbing dinner from a local food truck.





Hobbies

Flower gardening, traveling, volunteering, & watching college sports

Favorite Tradition:

Enjoying the things that create memories for a lifetime during the Christmas Season: baking cookies, watching Christmas movies, matching pjs, and enjoying family & friends

ERICA

Erica reflects love, care, and selflessness. There are no lengths to which she will not go to help family, friends, or even a stranger. She embodies traits such as determination, generosity, and devotion. Erica's hard work and determination are limitless. When she aspires to a goal, she will pursue it with boundless determination and put in the work until it is accomplished. These qualities have given her the tenacity to succeed both personally and professionally. Erica is a very sensitive and caring person who loves deeply. She is the one who others lean on for advice or to give guidance. She is always up to listen and be the shoulder others need. Erica loves to be outdoors, especially during the spring. She is always looking for the next flower, shrub, or tree to plant! She is often referred to as having a green thumb and takes much pride in her flower gardening.

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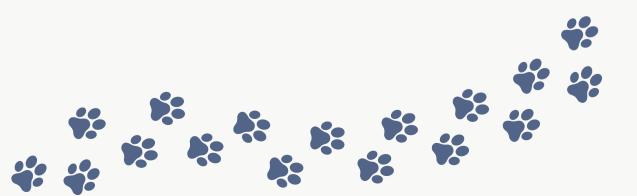
Asher was born in the spring of 2022. He is loving, energetic, and outgoing. He enjoys being outdoors, going to the park, and splash pads. His favorite activities include playing in his sand box, sliding down all the slides and playing hide and go seek. He loves Woody, cars and tractors, and snacks. All the snacks! Asher has the biggest imagination. He is such a character and brings so much joy to everyone he meets. He will be the best protective big brother.

Our prayer is for Asher and his newly adopted brother or sister to be best friends with an inseparable bond.

heetELI

Eli is always seeking out someone to give him a rub or share a treat. He absolutely loves everyone, especially Asher. He has a gentle and sweet disposition with everyone he meets. He spends most of his day taking naps and snoring.







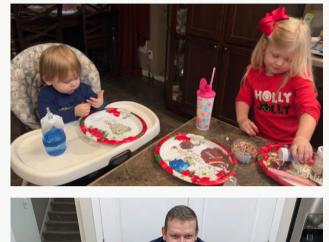
Family is Everything

We are very blessed to be close to our families. We love deeply, travel, and celebrate everything together! We visit and enjoy outings frequently along with facetime calls several times a week. We have a large family which includes Erica's older sister and three younger brothers. Will has two older brothers all of which live away, but we see each other several times a year. We have 12 nieces and nephews between our families ranging in age from 1 to 34. Spending our summers with them is one of the highlights of our year. Whether in small or big ways, we are all about making lasting memories together. We treasure every minute we spend with one another.



Holidays & Celebrations







Whether it's a holiday, birthday, or milestone, we take advantage of any opportunity to celebrate. We like to eat cake for birthdays, visit the pumpkin patch and apple orchard in the fall, cook too much at Thanksgiving, and enjoy baking and decorating cookies at Christmas. These are just a portion of how we savor these important dates throughout the year!













Travels & Adventures



Our favorite vacation each year is going to the mountains with family. We enjoy looking for waterfalls, going on hikes, and relaxing at the cabin. We also love to visit our friends at the beach. A highlight is always building sandcastles or searching for shells along the seashore. Some of our favorite time is spent on weekend adventures to the zoo, seeking out a new park, or visiting the snow cone stand. Anytime we can slow down and relish time with one another, we take it!

Daily Life

Every day is a gift. We make a conscious effort daily to spend time together as a family. This often looks like cooking dinner and sitting down together as a family to eat. An important element of our daily routine is playing outside or taking a walk around the neighborhood. Each day ends with one-on-one time with Asher to reflect on our day, read books, and say our prayers. It is our favorite time of the day.





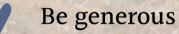


Our Family Values



Live a God-first life

- Honesty & integrity always
- Work hard & to the best of our abilities
- Show kindness & humility every day
- Be courageous



- Love & comfort one another
- Be thankful & count your blessings

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Our home is a space to feel safe, warm, and comfortable. There are always toys scattered around and snacks to be shared. Our favorite place to be is on our deck watching the birds and wildlife in our backyard. Our neighborhood is very family friendly with children outdoors playing and families enjoying walks together daily. We have 8 parks within 5 miles of our home that we frequently visit.



The NURSERY

The nursery is such an important space for us. It's one that we spend a great deal of time planning and decorating. It is a place that radiates love and new beginnings. A space where one's imagination can be open to express and explore.





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More than anything we want you to know that we will love your child unconditionally and give them every opportunity to become the best version of themselves. We will encourage them to chase their dreams and to always do everything to the best of their abilities. We will provide him or her with all the security, love, and joy we can offer. It is very important to us that your child knows their adoption story. We want them to have an understanding and appreciation of the sacrifices you made for them. Your child will be loved so much by us, our friends, and our family. Above all, they will know the love you have for them. Please know that we pray for you and your child daily. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for taking the time to get to know us.

-Will, Erica & Asher



Thank you for

considering our family!



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