



CLIFF *and* CHELSEA



HELLO

it's so nice to meet you!

We are Cliff and Chelsea. Thank you for taking the time to look through our book and meet our family. We hope you see us as the caring, fun-loving family that we are. Family is the most important thing to us and we are excited for the possibility to grow our little family through adoption.

We won't pretend to understand your journey, but we truly hope and pray that you find peace as you navigate this difficult time, no matter what decision you make. We cannot thank you enough for taking the time to get to know us and consider us as you make such an important decision. **We are honored at the opportunity to be considered as parents for your child and wish you all the best.**

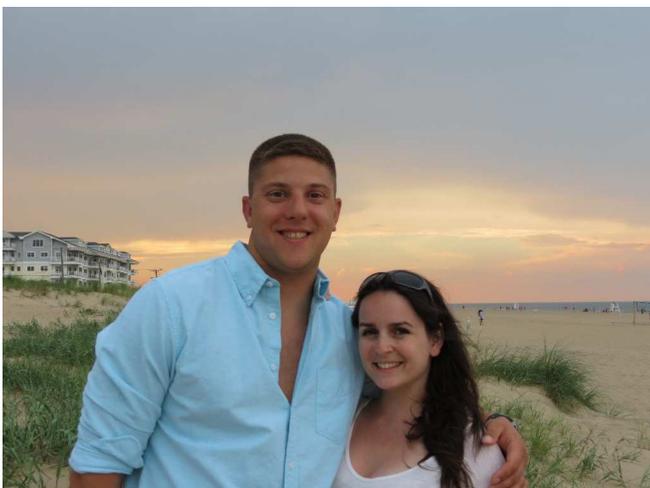
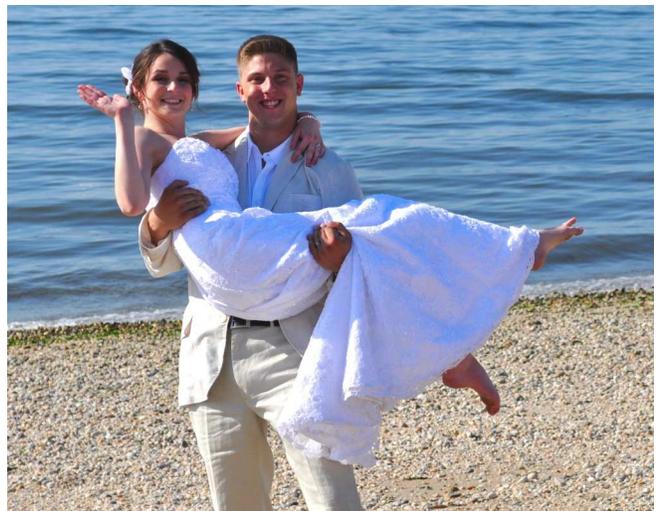
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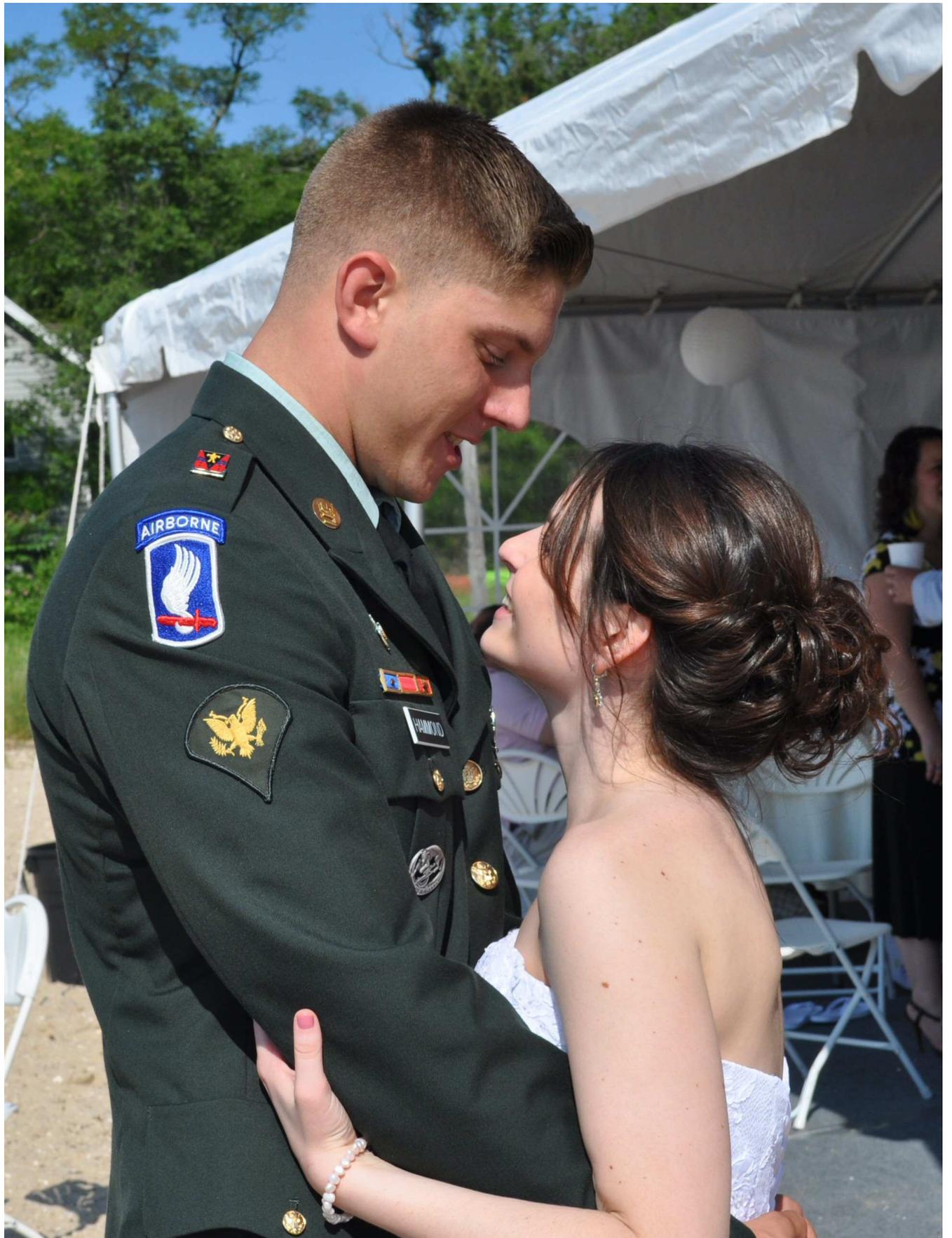
Cliff and Chelsea



OUR *story*

We were both born and raised in New York and actually grew up only five minutes down the road from each other. Although we lived close, we didn't become friends until our senior year of high school. After high school, Cliff joined the military and Chelsea attended college in New York. We were married on a small beach near Chelsea's grandma's house surrounded by our family and friends in June 2009. We have been through a lot as a couple...deployment, our daughter's premature birth and trying to navigate those early years of parenthood. **We feel that every obstacle we've faced has only brought us closer together.** We are truly best friends and love spending time together.





ABOUT *Chelsea*



Hello, I'm Chelsea. I am 30 years old and I was born and raised in New York. I have two wonderful parents who have been married for 30 years and I am the oldest of 5 siblings! I am very close to my family, my brothers and sisters are some of my best friends! I also have an amazing sister in law who is like another sister to me.

I have always loved children, at the age of 13 I started babysitting, then I worked as a nanny for years and before getting pregnant with my daughter I was a preschool teacher. Once my daughter was born I became a stay at home mom, which I love! I enjoy being creative, art was my favorite subject in school and I still love it! I love doing crafts with my daughter. I also enjoy sewing, photography and painting!

WHAT CLIFF HAS TO SAY...

Chelsea is such a nurturing mom and wife and is the heart and soul of our family. She is the selfless driving force in our home that keeps us moving forward and thriving. She loves to create activities and events to keep family time fun and exciting. She also loves to travel and see new places. Every day I feel blessed to have such a wonderful woman in my life.



ABOUT *Cliff*



Hi, I'm Cliff! I grew up in Long Island, NY with my parents and older sister. I am a Sergeant First Class in the United States Army and I currently serve as an Instructor at the Recruiting and Retention College in Kentucky. I am 30 years old and have been in the Army for over 12 years. I have enjoyed the opportunities provided by my military career, such as travel. I have been stationed in New Jersey, New York, Louisiana and Germany.

Traveling and exploring new places is a hobby of mine that I enjoy sharing with my family. I also enjoy running, hiking, reading, watching movies, vacations and really anything while spending time with my family.

WHAT CHELSEA HAS TO SAY...

Cliff is a wonderful husband and dad. He works extremely hard to give our family an amazing life while still making time to have fun. I love watching him with our daughter and hearing her giggle at his dad jokes. Cliff has a huge heart and is always willing to lend a helping hand to everyone. He is motivated and ambitious and is currently finishing up his Masters degree in business. He enjoys working out and also fixing things around the house.



ABOUT *Kayleigh*

Kayleigh is our sweet, fun-loving eight year old daughter. She is small in stature, but big in spirit! She lives big, loves big and has a giant heart for animals. She enjoys swimming, playing outside and anything active. She is so excited to become a big sister and show a future little one how to swim and play games! She is very helpful and sweet to her baby cousin and we know she will do a wonderful job as a big sister!





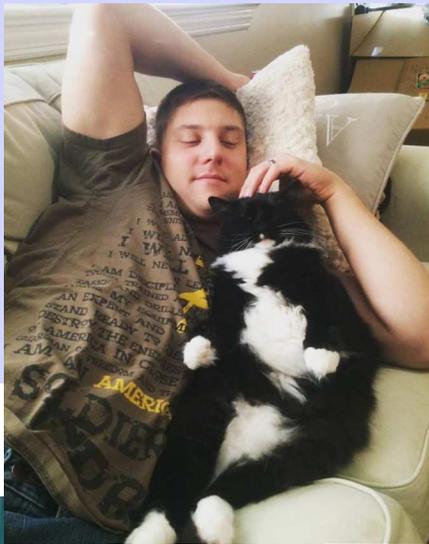
WHY *adoption*

We have always wanted children and a big family. Becoming parents was something we were both passionate about from an early age. We were blessed with our daughter in 2010, however the pregnancy and birth had complications which led Chelsea to no longer be able to carry a pregnancy. For some time we've researched adoption and the more we looked into it, the more it felt like the right path for our family. We have such a big heart for children and are so excited to be on this journey.

HOME *sweet home*

We live in the beautiful state of Kentucky! We try to make our home feel cozy and welcoming, we have an extra bedroom that we can't wait to turn into an adorable nursery. We just love our little neighborhood! There are tons of children and you will always see them outside playing, riding bikes or doing an outdoor movie night. There's also a great park and a pool within walking distance. Our favorite time in our community is Halloween, our neighborhood goes all out and we get over 200 trick or treaters! It's a fun and very safe place to call home. Our neighborhood and little city that surrounds us is very safe and has great schools as well.





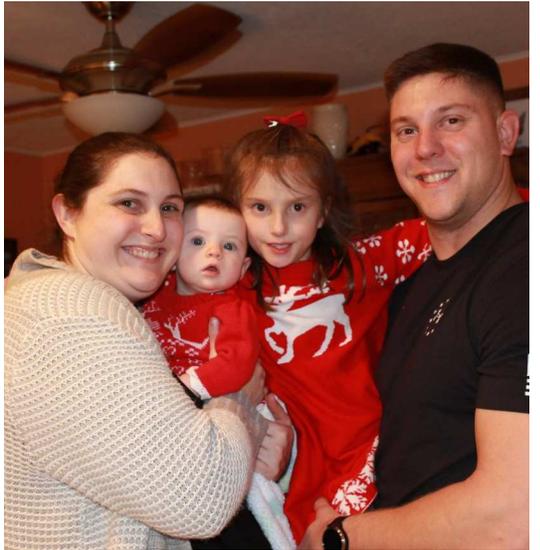
OUR *pets*

We love our pets; we have two dogs and a cat. **CLARK** (10 years old) is our big dog and he is the epitome of a gentle giant. He loves hugs, naps and string cheese. **LOKI** (1 year old) is the newest addition to our home. He is super cuddly, funny and will play fetch for hours! Our cat is **LEXI** (9 years old), she mostly keeps to herself and naps most of the day (except when it's time to eat! She loves food!). Our daughter says she is the softest cat in the world!

EXTENDED *family*

We are both lucky to have very close relationships with our families. Between aunts, uncles, grandparents and cousins...we have a very large family and there's a lot of love to go around! Most of our family lives in New York, even though we don't live in the same state, we visit each other often and take vacations together. Everyone is so excited for the next little one to join the fun!





OUR *favorite things*



Chelsea's Faves

FOOD: Mac and cheese

TV SHOW: The Office

HOLIDAY: Halloween

COLOR: Teal

PLACE TO BE: Disney World or a beach!

Cliff's Faves

FOOD: Steak and a baked potato

TV SHOW: Nature documentaries

HOLIDAY: Christmas

COLOR: GREEN

PLACE TO BE: Pool with the family



Kayleigh's Faves

FOOD: Watermelon

COLOR: Pink!

MOVIE: Tangled

BOOK: Olivia books

SCHOOL SUBJECT: Gym and Science



TOGETHER WE LOVE:

Riding bikes

Movie nights

Holiday traditions

Hiking

Swimming

Visiting family

Exploring new places



travels Something we really enjoy is travel! It doesn't always have to be far, even if it's only a hour away, we just really like to explore and see new things. One of our favorite places to go is Disney World. It's a special place to us and we try our best to go every two years. This past November, a lot of our family was able to join us and we had the best time! We hope to continue to travel and explore with a new little one in tow.



In this family we...



**LAUGH
EXPLORE
SNUGGLE
PLAY
LOVE UNCONDITIONALLY**





WE *promise*

We promise to respect your wishes and give your child unconditional love and support.

We promise to give them a nurturing, safe and fun home to grow up in.

We promise to love your child beyond words. They will not only be loved by us, but by our family and friends as well.

We promise that your child will always know where their story began.

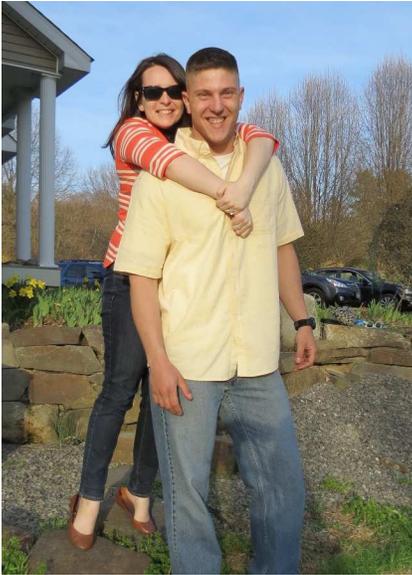
We promise to speak of you only with love.

We promise that your child will grow up knowing how much love you have for him or her.

Thank you for taking the time to get to know us and considering us to be the parents of your child. We hope this book gave you a glance at the kind of people we are. We have so much love to share with another child and are excited to have the opportunity to expand our family through adoption. We will be forever grateful for the sacrifice you have made. We know this is a missing piece of our family and we hope you find comfort in your decision, no matter what that decision is. We are sending you our love and prayers.

Bye for now,

Cliff, Chelsea and Kayleigh





Love MAKES A FAMILY