



ELLIOTT & REBECCA

Committed • Truthful • Funny • Responsible

Hello! We are Elliott and Rebecca. We appreciate the opportunity you have given us by reading our profile. It is our wish for you to experience the joy and happiness you are seeking as you turn the pages of this book.



New York City

Regardless of whether we ever meet, we want you to know what a selfless decision you have made for your child. We are excited to become parents again and we hope that you find, in us, the trust and comfort that you need in a family to raise your child.

We Love to Travel!



Maine



Riding horses at a ranch

ELLIOTT & REBECCA



We met in college, through mutual friends, in the summer of 2001. A few days after meeting each other, we went on our first date. During our courtship, we realized that we share many of the same values such as love of family, the desire to make a difference in the world, a commitment to education, and faith in God. We see the world similarly and both of us wanted a partner that would challenge and support us.

Elliott proposed in May 2005, and we were married seven months later. Not only are we husband and wife, but we are also best friends who balance each other out. Our relationship is built upon communication, commitment, unconditional love, and respect. Together, we enjoy traveling, hiking, trying new restaurants, paddle-boarding, boating...really anything active! We love going to movies and grilling-out with our friends.

REBBECA'S favorite things...

Season: Fall! The changing leaves and the crisp mountain air

Candy: Peppermint patties-*there's always a bag in the fridge*

Holiday: Christmas- The family parties and community joy

Ice Cream: Anything with rainbow sprinkles on top

Sport: To play- tennis; to watch- college football

Dessert: Homemade chocolate chip cookies

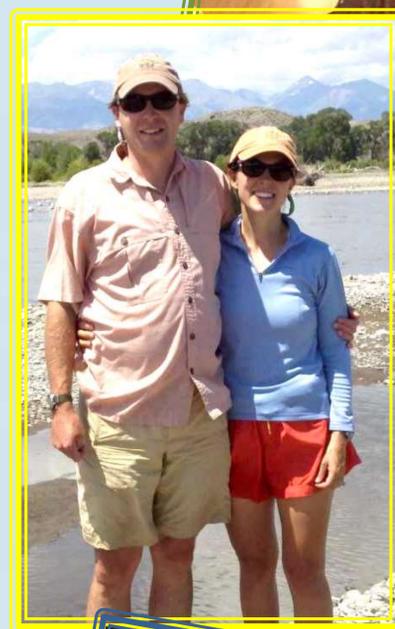
Food: Nachos with extra queso

TV Show: Anything on Netflix

Time of Day: Sunset

Exercise: Running

Color: Yellow



a few of our
favorite things

ELLIOTT'S favorite things...

Sport: Golf

Color: Red

Season: Fall

Candy: Peanut M&Ms

Exercise: Anything active

Food: Rebecca's spaghetti

Ice Cream: Cookies 'n Cream

TV Show: Anything that makes me laugh

Time of Day: The time that I am with Rebecca

Dessert: My grandmother's strawberry cupcakes

Holiday: Christmas- singing Christmas carols by the piano

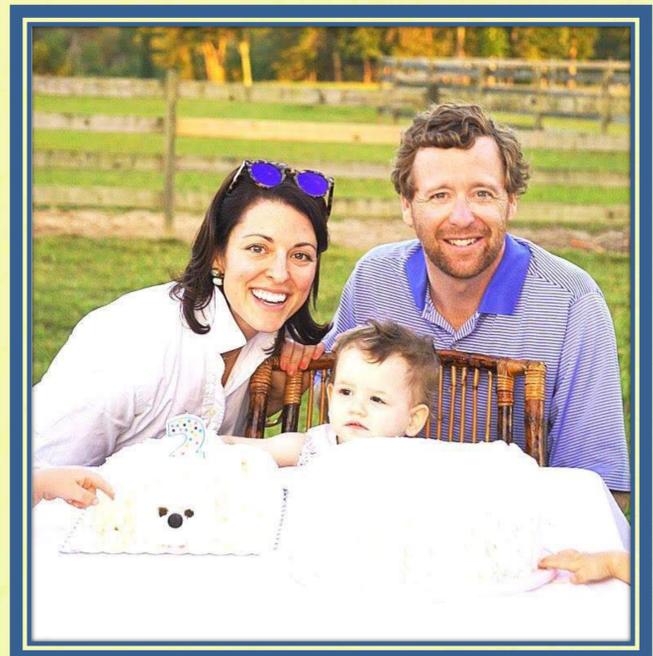


Why We Have Chosen Adoption Again

We always wanted children! We are unable to have biological children, so we decided to build our family through the gift of adoption. In June 2015, we adopted our daughter Ellie. We still desire to grow our family as we have always planned on having more than one child.



Our first picture as a family!



Ellie's 2nd birthday

Elliott's cousin was adopted, so our family has first-hand experience with how special it is to build a family through adoption. Our families are overjoyed that we have chosen to grow our family through adoption again. They are very supportive of anything we do to make this happen. Their hearts are huge, and they have an enormous capacity to love.

Not only is our daughter ready to be a big sister, but our nieces and nephews can't wait for a new cousin, too! Our parents also are excited about becoming grandparents again.

Our hearts are full of love! We can't wait to share it with another child.



what Elliott has to say about **Rebecca**

My wife is a great mom because she has a special outlook on life. She truly sees the good in everyone and believes that all people are doing the best that they can. She is never judgmental and really desires to get to know people and hear their stories. She has had the desire to be a mom all of her life. Rebecca is the kind of mom that makes the special dinners, kisses the scraped knees, and shows her child how bright their future can be.



what Rebecca has to say about **Elliott**

My husband is an amazing dad because he is a kid magnet! Children are drawn to his friendly manner, his quick laugh, and his encouraging words. Elliott has a deep well of love and understands the importance of listening to people. Elliott knows the importance of giving others the intangible gifts in life: time and love. He will be a mentor, friend, and cheerleader for our children!

Top 5 Things We Have Enjoyed As Parents



As a mom, I have enjoyed...

- 1) Being called Mommy
- 2) Taking family vacations
- 3) Reading bedtime stories
- 4) Snuggling with Ellie on rainy afternoons
- 5) Walking to the park to play on the jungle gym

As a dad, I have enjoyed...

- 1) Being called Daddy
- 2) Going to school activities
- 3) Impromptu family dance parties in the kitchen
- 4) Conversations about life and the gift of adoption
- 5) Fun outdoor activities: hiking, riding bikes, and boating on the river



meet REBECCA

Occupation: Stay-at-home mom

Degrees: Bachelors in Special Education
Masters in Education

Siblings: 1 younger brother & 1 younger sister

Hobbies/Interests: Reading, cooking, & decorating

Silly Obsession: Checking Instagram for home, food, and party ideas

Personality: Caring, thoughtful, encouraging

I am the oldest of three children. I have close relationships with my parents, brother, sister, and their families. My parents have been married for 40 years. Growing up, they provided me with a happy childhood with unconditional love and support. They wanted me to follow my dreams and encouraged me to always do my best.



My mom is my best friend. I have always been a "daddy's girl."



Rebecca & her family mountain biking



My parents are hands-on grandparents. Their true calling is being *Mimi & Pop!*

My parents gave me many wonderful experiences, such as summer camps in the mountains, family trips, family gatherings at my grandparents' house, weekends at the lake, and church on Sundays. There is a legacy of strong relationships with grandparents in my family; I was very close to my grandparents and I know that my parents will make it a priority to be very involved in our child's life.

RANDOM facts ABOUT ME

- ONE I love sending and receiving Christmas cards.**
- TWO I loved summer camp; I am a very good canoe paddler.**
- THREE I seek out little ways to make those I love feel special.**
- FOUR I always put 100% effort & enthusiasm into anything I do.**
- FIVE I can remember all the words to a song after hearing it a couple of times.**



meet ELLIOTT

Occupation: Land broker/manager

Degrees: Bachelors in Finance

Siblings: 2 younger sisters

Hobbies/Interests: Hunting, fishing, & golf

Silly Obsession: Ice cream! I always look for an excuse to stop and get some.

Personality: Committed, loyal, problem-solver

RANDOM *facts* **ABOUT ME**

ONE I love to do complicated math in my head.

TWO I am comfortable talking to anyone...I mean ANYONE!

THREE I enjoy being in the woods & watching the sun rise.

FOUR I am extremely motivated by the desire to take care of and provide for my family.

FIVE I always try to see the many sides of a situation before I make a decision.

I am the oldest of three children. I have always been close with my sisters. Growing up, I tried to be the “protective big brother,” but they have always been strong enough to handle themselves.



Elliott's family together at a weekend gathering!



My entire family always gets together for birthday parties, holidays, and an annual family trip.



A good day out fishing!

My parents live in our town and love spending time with their grandchildren. They are excited about becoming grandparents again.

I grew up in a “Leave it to Beaver” type community, where 12 of my cousins lived within walking distance of my house. We attended the same elementary school and rode our bikes to each other's houses. Summers were spent swimming at my grandmother's pool, playing little league or tennis, attending sports camps, and eating ice cream at the local ice cream shop. It was a special childhood that I hope to give to my children.

I am so excited about becoming a **BIG SISTER**



meet ELLIE

Things Ellie LOVES to do

Dancing to music
Painting/Drawing
Going to the aquarium
Playing outside
Swimming
Feeding & riding
horses
Playing with cousins &
grandparents



Visiting
the horses



Riding a horse with my cousin



Getting ready to go trick-or-treating!

Ellie's favorite...

Color...Blue
Fruit...Raspberries
Snack...Granola bars
Animal...Dog
Toy...Play-Doh
TV show...Spirit Riding Free



Family vacation
at the beach.

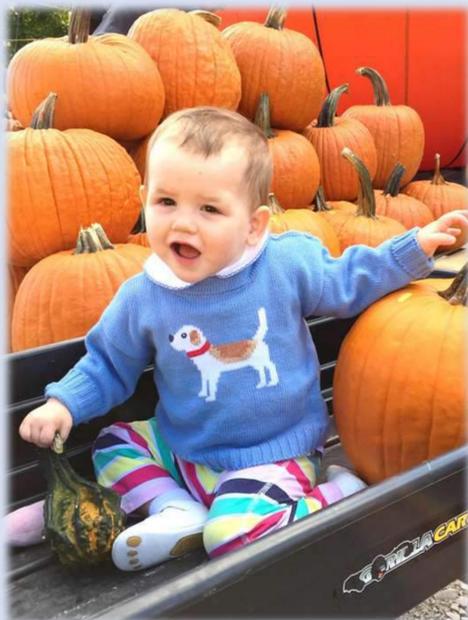


Walking with Mimi & Pop

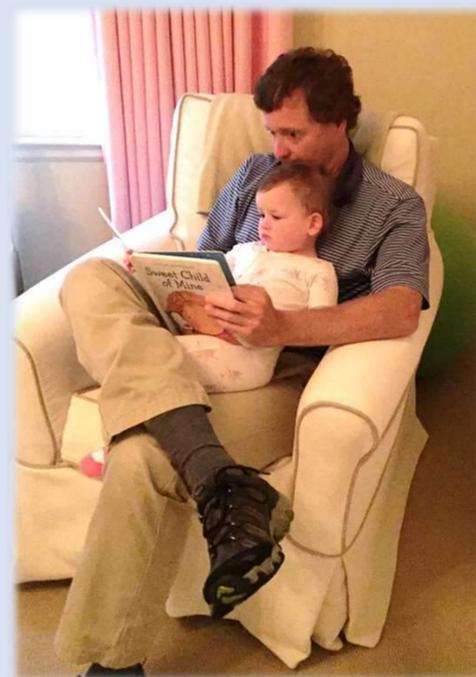
SPECIAL MOMENTS



On a merry-go-round



At a pumpkin patch



Reading time



Ellie loves Christmas lights



Family time- Ellie with her grandparents & cousins

Family time at Rock City, TN



Getting ready for Halloween

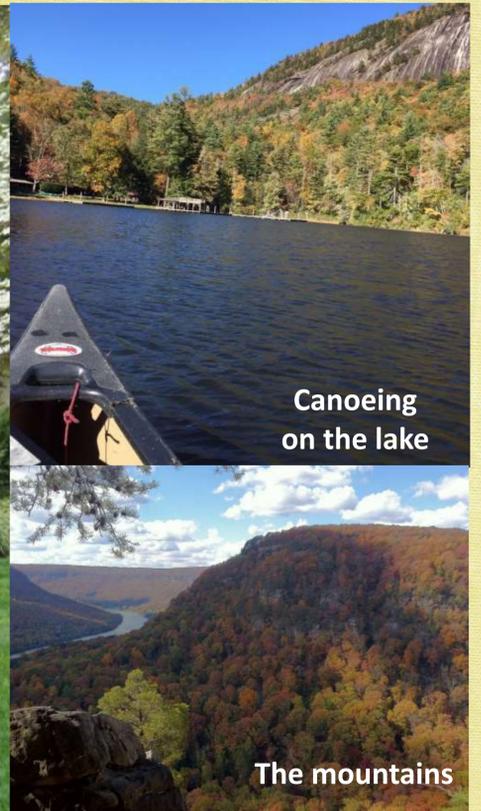


Reading with grandpa



Family selfie while hiking

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We live in the kind of neighborhood where you feel very safe. On any given day, you will see children playing outside and riding their bikes. The streets are lined with trees and sidewalks on both sides of our street. The neighborhood elementary school is nationally recognized for their commitment to the arts and academics.

Our city offers many family activities, such as an aquarium, an IMAX theater, a children's museum, an art museum, a rock climbing gym, a zoo, a splash pad/water park, a fantastic public library, and a beautiful river walk that connects all of the attractions to the riverfront. We live within a short road trip to the mountains, lakes, trails, and parks.

It is so much fun to live here & to spend time enjoying the outdoors.



June is our puppy. She is a Cavalier King Charles Spaniel. She is the perfect puppy and loves people. She is very well trained; so well trained that she does not jump or bark! She is very popular with children because she is so soft and gentle.



The Kind of Parents We Will Be

We love hearing the sound of little feet running through the house and we can't wait to hear more. We both have strong morals and a solid foundation in building our family. We will make sure that our children are raised to be both emotionally and spiritually strong.

Education is also very important to both of us. We will encourage and support our children through the highest level of education that they would like to pursue. It is our goal for our children to graduate from college. We will provide them with all the resources necessary to reach their highest potential, so that they can accomplish anything they want in life.

Values That We Will Teach Our Children

- ✓ **Honesty**
- ✓ **Commitment**
- ✓ **Charity**
- ✓ **Patience**
- ✓ **Generosity**
- ✓ **Gentleness**
- ✓ **Faithfulness**



SOME THINGS We Will Teach Our Children

- ❖ **Unconditional love-** This type of love is life giving and life changing.
- ❖ **Integrity-** Above all else, try to do what you know is right.
- ❖ **Whatever happens will be wonderful-** Life is a beautiful journey with roads that you may not have planned to go down, but at the end of that road is often something special and wonderful.
- ❖ **Roots and Wings-** Our child will always have a family that loves them deeply and will support them, but we want our child to fly and experience all the wonders of this life.
- ❖ **Resiliency-** There will be times in life where things don't go your way. Learn and grow from the challenges instead of giving up on your dreams.

Thank you...

Thank you for considering us to love, nurture, and raise your baby. We have enormous respect and admiration for your choice of life and adoption for your child. We believe a child is the most precious thing in the world. We promise that at each developmental stage, we will work as a team to do what is best for your child. We will be surrounded by the love and support of our families and will make sure your child feels nurtured, loved, and cared for above and beyond.

We will tell your child that you are an amazing woman who gave him/her an opportunity at a wonderful life. Your child will know as much about you as you want them to know. Our commitment to you is that we will allow your child to live a happy, healthy, and fulfilling life in a fun, loving family. We wish you the best, whatever you ultimately decide, and pray for God to watch over you on the rest of your journey.

Sincerely,
Rebecca & Elliott



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