CHUCK & NICOLE

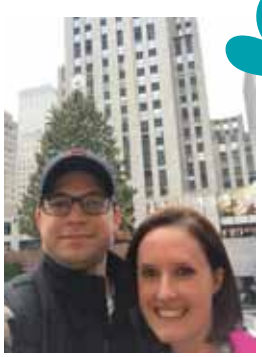
A LITTLE BIT ABOUT CHUCK & NICOLE

In our early 20s we met through friends on our college campus and began dating. On our first date, we clicked. Our mutual love for family, drive for success and passion united us.

We dated for 4 years, got married, bought a home and adopted a fluffy Goldendoodle. We love to travel, run and pretend we are on HGTV fixing up the house.

Nicole works in Marketing, and Chuck works in Information Technology at Fortune 500 companies. We enjoy a great work/life balance and while we work hard, we play hard too. Some of our favorite recent vacations include going to a local amusement park, heading to the beach and travelling internationally.

While medical issues prevented us from getting pregnant, God has a different plan for our path to parenthood. We can't wait to welcome the baby into our home and to have them become part of our lives.



Getting to know CHUCK

Written by Nicole

When I met Chuck, he proudly called himself a nerd so it's no surprise he works in IT. He's been with the same company his entire career and is proud of all that he has achieved. In fact, he's the first male to get a 4-year college degree in his family.

I'd describe Chuck as a car-nut and sports enthusiast. If his team is winning or losing, he's always cheering them on. Chuck doesn't give up on sports, people or anything. He is dedicated to our marriage and our family. He's funny, passionate and caring. He spontaneously sings pop songs with made-up words, which makes me endlessly laugh. When he's focused, you'll see determination in his eyes and crumpled eyebrows. God gave me the perfect mate to share my life with and for that, I'm blessed.

Getting to know NICOLE

Written by Chuck

If there is one word I could use to describe Nicole, it is committed. Nicole gives 100% effort in everything she does. She's a wonderful wife, successful at her job, and a fun-loving friend and family member. Even her crafting hobby produces things that look like they will repined a million times on Pinterest!

Her view on life shows me how to be humble, compassionate, and giving. On the weekends, we take time to enjoy life with friends and go to church. In the fall, she puts up with my love of watching football on Sunday. Nicole makes me a better person every day that we're lucky enough to spend together.

GETTING TO KNOW MORE ABOUT US!

HE SAID
SHE SAID

What's your favorite vacation activity?

He Said: Sleeping on the beach.

She Said: Reading murder-mystery books by the pool.

What did you want to be when you grew up?

He Said: A stock broker

She Said: A hair-dresser because I loved (and still do) talking to people.

What part of your daily routine do you enjoy most?

He Said: Eating dinner as a family.

She Said: Cuddling with Chuck while we watch Netflix.

What's your favorite part about being an Uncle/Aunt?

He Said: Nerf gun wars because I can run around like a child.

She Said: Coloring and reading.

	HE SAID	SHE SAID
Gone to Europe?	Yes	Yes
Rode a motorcycle?	No	No
Been to Disney World?	No	Yes
Locked yourself out of the house?	Yes	Yes
Fallen up the stairs?	No.	Yes
Broken a bone?	Yes	Yes
Been on the radio/TV?	Yes	No
Met someone famous?	Yes	No

WELCOME *to our home*

Our house is in a quiet suburb with one of the highest rated school districts in Ohio. We bought a home that needed TLC, but we saw the potential and started to remodel with thoughts of raising children here.

We live on a cul-de-sac and spend time with the neighbors passing out Halloween candy, watching the Super Bowl and grilling out on nice days. Last Christmas, our neighbors sang carols at our front door when we were hosting Nicole's whole family. The nephews loved it; it was like a scene out of a Christmas movie.

We have a neighborhood pool and we plan to take our children there to play and to teach them to swim. Once worn out, we'll pull them in the wagon back home. Close to home there's an ice cream shop and cute downtown. We like to walk there in the summer with the dog and hopefully we will push the stroller there too!

FAMILY is the CORE OF OUR LIVES

NICOLE'S FAMILY AT CHRISTMAS

ALL OF OUR COLLEGE FRIENDS THAT LIVE IN THE NEARBY AREA

Chuck's dad always says "without family, you don't have anything."

Chuck is the youngest of two children. Chuck's sister has one son, who is the oldest of our 4 nephews. When our nephew was young, Chuck used to race four wheelers and let him win. Now, neither of us can keep up with him. It has been amazing to see him mature into a young teenager.

Nicole is the middle child, with an older sister and a younger brother who are both married with children under the age of 5. The kids call Nicole "Aunt Cole." They love her awesome piggyback rides and when we read them bedtime stories. Both our parents have been married 39 years and are great examples of a long-lasting marriage. Chuck texts his dad every day, and Nicole calls her mom every day. All four grandparents are active in their grandkids' lives. They spoil them with ice cream, take them on bike rides and share their hobbies with the kids. We get together with family on all holidays and as much as we can in between!

CHUCK & HIS BEST FRIEND HANGING OUT

NICOLE AND HER SIBLINGS

CHUCK WITH HIS SISTER AT A FAMILY REUNION

READING TO OUR NEPHEW

VACATIONING WITH CHUCK'S PARENTS

NICOLE & HER MOM IN NYC

Friends Are Family Too

We live in an area with our second family close by, which are the friends we made 12+ years ago. Those friends and their children remain a large part of our life today. We have cookouts at our home in the summer and let the kids run wild in the backyard.

What adoption means to us

We have talked about having children as part of our family since our first date! When medical issues prevented pregnancy, we turned to adoption with open-hearts. We've been touched by adoption personally and see how much joy it brings. Nicole's cousin adopted an infant and Chuck's cousin adopted a 3-year old Chinese boy. Our cousins are blessed beyond words and we hope to grow our family the same way.

Dear Birth Parent(s),

We can't say thank you enough for taking time to get to know us. Life together has taught us that God has a plan for everyone, and it may not be exactly how we thought it would be. However, we've let hope and an unwavering love guide us through our journey together. Adoption is our way to add to our family. We are so excited for a little person to join our family.

If we could tell you anything, it would be this: We love children and will love our adopted child to-the-moon-and-back. There's no limit to what we would do for this child to make sure they were safe and loved. Family is an important pillar of our life and our adopted child would be accepted with open arms by our parents, siblings, cousins and large network of friends that surround us.

We will share all aspects of our lives, make sacrifices and teach the child to be open and accepting of all.

With Love,

CHUCK & NICOLE