Nick & Steve

Nick

Occupation: Marketing Manager and Event Host/DJ

Education: Bachelors Degree in Business Communication and Associates Degree in Sales & Marketing

Favorite Color: Orange

Favorite TV/Movie: House of Cards & Sports :)

Favorite Food: Mac and Cheese

Favorite Vacation: Bonita Springs, Florida

Favorite Holiday: Thanksgiving

Favorite Memory From Childhood: Swimming, playing baseball & basketball every summer day at our neighborhood park & lake.

Hobbies: Softball & DJing

Steve

Occupation: Senior Administrative Assistant

Education: Bachelors in Communication

Favorite Color: Blue

Favorite TV/Movie: Family Guy

Favorite Food: Rigatoni

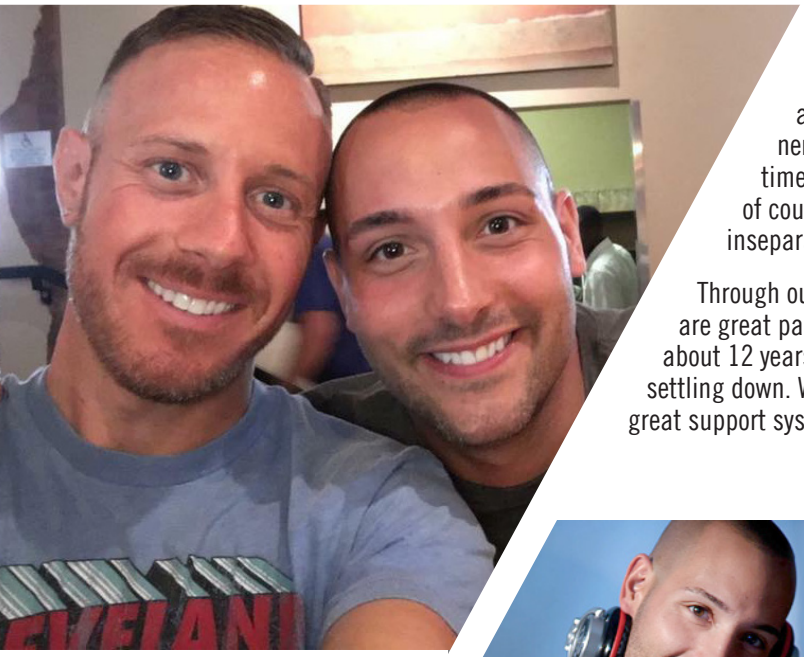
Favorite Vacation: Mexico

Favorite Holiday: Halloween

Favorite Memory From Childhood: Camping with my family at Salt Fork State Park

Hobbies: Gardening and home decor

How We Met



We met 14 years ago through a mutual friend at a comedy club on St. Patricks Day. It is a day we both will never forget and was the perfect place for us to meet. We both love making each other laugh and are very light hearted. Making each other laugh has been a cornerstone of our relationship and has helped us get through some tough times. We had a great time at the comedy club, laughing the whole time of course and a few days later, we had our first official date and have been inseparable since.

Through our 14 years together, we have learned so much about one another. We are great partners and ready to be even better parents. We have lived together for about 12 years and been blessed to be able to live in a few different states before settling down. We love the fact that we live close to our family and friends and have a great support system around our family.

About Nick

(written by Steve)

Nick is the most hard working, inspirational and kind person I know and would do absolutely anything for anyone. Nick loves and treats his mother with the utmost respect. He is my bodyguard in a sense, always wants the best for me and is my counselor. Nick is smart at his profession and is always eager to learn new things. He is amazing at softball (which he won the softball world series a few years back) and knows absolutely everything about sports. He strives for perfection and won't stop until he gets it. Nick was the employee of the year for his company in 2016 and mentors many staff members at work with sharing his love and knowledge of music and marketing. Nick became an Ordained Minister in 2014 and is something I think is so special to him. He has officiated weddings of many friends of ours, including my sister and my best friend. Our relationship is built on faith and love for God and the trust that it will continue to push us to be better people and to inspire others. Nick also worked as a camp counselor with kids for many years. He has a calming factor about him, is comforting and wears his heart on his sleeve. Love you, Nick!

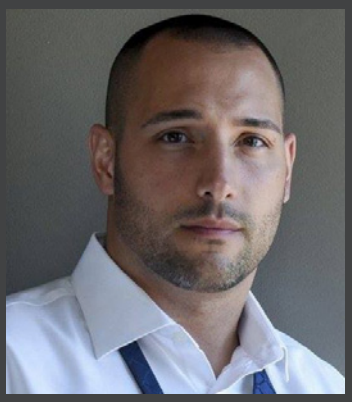
About Steve

(written by Nick)

Steve is a very loving and funny guy. He makes me laugh when I have had bad days at work, and never sits down. Steve is the real caretaker of our house and is one of the most talented home designers I have ever met. He is always doing a housing project or is outside tending to our landscape and making our home beautiful. Last year, Steve won our cities 'Home Beautification' award and is hoping to be honored with it again this year! Steve is a real family man and LOVES his family. Steve volunteers his time helping the neighbors with yard work and drives to his grandma's house to make sure her yard is beautifully mowed and mulched! He always keeps our house and me very organized and loves a clean house. Steve keeps our day-to-day duties flowing and is the backbone to our tidy house. His love comes from a place of great family values, respect for others and accepting everyone. I love you, Steve!

About Me - Steve

I stand 5'10 with blue eyes, blond hair with a lean build. I love to be outside! I enjoy mowing the grass and taking care of our yard whenever I get the chance. I graduated from college at age 24 with a degree in communications and have worked in the insurance field since graduating. I currently work at home where I am a Senior Administrative Assitant for an insurance company. My work situation is ideal for caring for our newborn at our home. I have worked there for eight years and love what I do. I love Starbucks, obsessed with eating chocolate and love watching Family Guy. I like to make people laugh, am very light hearted and happy. I have an immense love for home decor and old houses. I think older houses have such great character and I love to learn about the history of them! I like to go vintage shopping in hopes to find my next decor project. I love to design on a dime and stretch a dollar to make something fabulous. During the holiday season, I assist a florist with their holiday tree decorating business. Holiday decorating is something that I get excited for every year. I was hired last year to decorate many houses and events and am already planning some fun stuff for next season! A few words to describe me are organized, funny and very creative.



About Me - Nick

I just have to say how excited I am to meet you! I stand at 5'8 and have a little stockier football build. I am Italian with darker features (brown eyes & short brown hair) and have a nice brown tan in the summer time! I get my haircut every week because of my profession and always having to look my best for clients. I graduated college with two degrees and always live life to the fullest. I always strive to be the best and am very ambitious. I am currently the marketing manager and professional Host & DJ at a production and entertainment company. Before taking my current job, I spent three years as an Event Host and DJ for Disney World in Orlando. It was one of the most amazing experiences in my life and learned so much. I love mentoring kids and dream of the day that I can become a father that can coach and be a role model to our child. I have a passion for music, which is why I'm always mixing music and sharing knowledge wherever I can. I LOVE both participating and watching sports. I believe staying healthy and active is important as a parent. In 2014, my Orlando softball team beat 81 other teams to win the Softball World Series! In the warm summer months, you can find me playing softball and enjoying family dinners & activities. I also enjoy my quiet time at Starbucks where I like reading books about business, sports or motivation. A few words to describe me wold be passionate, caring and confident.

Our beautiful cat, Pio!

Our Home

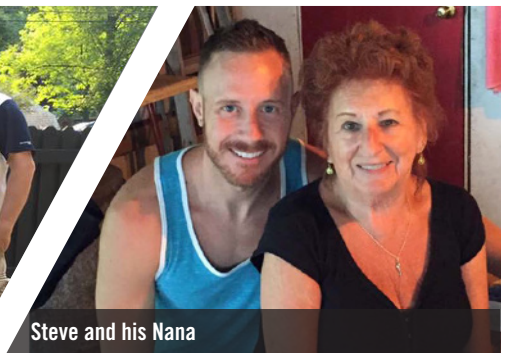
Welcome to our 1932 Colonial style house, nestled within big, beautiful trees and surrounded by great neighbors! The house has so much to offer and is unique in that it still has great character with our great added decor features. Our home has four bedrooms and a comfortable living room for game days and movie nights. Our home has a spacious dining room for family dinners and a big basement with a ping pong table and play space. Surrounding the outside of our house is a picture perfect landscape of multiple plants, flowers, and trees with a fenced in yard for catching lightning bugs, playing catch and swinging on a swing. Our neighborhood is filled with many children, which you will find riding their bikes, taking walks and playing sports all day long. Our home would be perfect for our little one because it is close to many great schools, located within minutes of multiple grocery stores, shops, parks, entertainment options and much more! We love our home and cannot wait to share it with our child.

Our big back yard is perfect for playing & having bond fires!

Our family room is perfect for family movies & sleepovers!

Our Family

Nick's family during our annual 4th of July celebration!


Steve and his Nana

Nick's brother's family can't wait to have another cousin to love & play with!

Christmas 2016 with Steve's immediate family!

Pyramid time with Steve's family!

Four of our very best friends, posing at our wedding!

Steve & Nick with Steve's Mom & Nana

Nick with three of his five God children

Family vacation to visit Nick during his time as a DJ at Disney! They had an INCREDIBLE time!

Every year, we run a 5k for the homeless

Nick's mom loves visiting favorite hot dog stand!

Love is love! A family photo during our wedding!

Nick's co-workers, friends & us at a grand opening event this past year!

There is really only one word that can describe our families, and that is LOVE. When we get both of our big Italian families together, we always have a very good time, make lasting memories and never leave with an empty stomach!

Steve primary grew up with his mom, step-dad, sister and his Nana. He also has a step-mom, father, and half-sister, which he as a great relationship with as well. He has a grandma which he calls Nana. She is 84 years old, has worked as a beautician for over 50 years and always lives life to it's fullest. Holidays are very special to Steve's family. They get together for as many family functions as possible and are very supportive. Steve has many cousins, aunts, and uncles that live within 30 minutes of us. They love making memories and traditions any chance they get.

Nick's family includes primarily his mom, dad (which will be celebrating their 49th wedding anniversary this year!), sister, brother-in-law with their three kids, his brother and sister in-law with their four children and some long lasting family friends that he has known for over 30 years! His sister lives in the neighborhood down the street from us, which is very easy to walk down and visit. They too are always celebrating a birthday or holiday which makes for seeing everyone very easily. Nick's family all live within 30 minutes of us and are so excited to add another member to the household!

A message from Steve's mother (Grandmother)

I cannot wait to become a grandmother because I love being a mom, so becoming a grandmother is a dream come true for me. Holding a little one again, rocking, singing or even cuddling is something I have been waiting for. I will love playing games, making crafts, supporting him or her at school/sporting events or just going on walks together. I enjoyed doing so many things like that with my own children. Just being there for my son in raising his child to make memories, show my grandchild all the love I can, teach respect and values are what my job as a grandmother will be.

A message from Nick's mother (Grandmother)

What can I say except how blessed and excited I am for my 8th grandchild! I can't wait to create all of the memories we will make and all the love that I will give. I will enjoy watching him/her grow up and give as much love and support as I can. I can't wait to hug, laugh, play and be silly with my new grandchild. Nick and Steve have such a special relationship and can't wait to see them as parents!

Dear Birthparent,

First and foremost, we want to thank you for considering us to be such an important part of your child's life. We are here to put you at ease in knowing that you are respected and loved by our family and us. Love is the real denominator to our adoption journey, and we hope you can feel that as we all go through this important decision together.

We want you to understand that adoption is something we have talked about ever since we started dating 14 years ago. We always knew deep in our hearts that one day, if we had the opportunity to start a family, we would want to adopt.

We have a very special relationship together and a bond that is like no other. We recently got married, and our journey of commitment for adoption is at the forefront of our life.

We want to assure you that with being a same-sex couple, we have many female role models that will be in the child's life; including our mothers, sisters, aunts, cousins & nieces. Our mothers are extremely active in our lives as well as Steve's grandmother.

Thank you again and we hope to meet you soon!

Love,

Nick & Steve