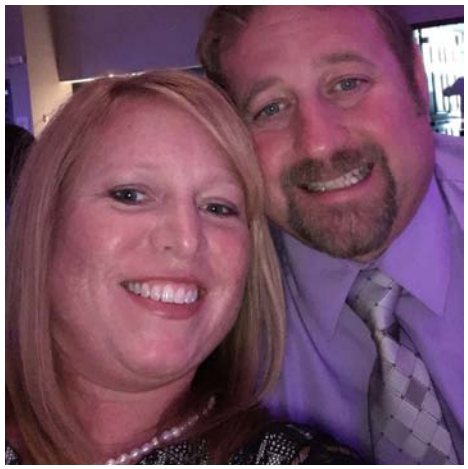
Danny & Kristin

Our Story

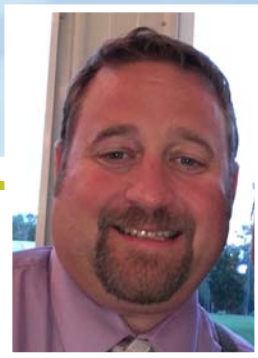
We met when Kristin was on a first date with another guy. Kristin's date sat next to Danny and talked to him most of the time. The date ignored Kristin and even introduced her by the wrong name. The next week when we ran into each other at an outdoor concert we laughed at how awful that date was. Throughout that summer we regularly ran into each other at concerts. Kristin's friends encouraged her to go out with Danny but she wasn't ready. After 3 years of friendship and many other bad dates for both, we decided we should try taking our friendship to dating. The timing was finally right. Danny had turned around the failing business he was sent to fix and Kristin was ready for the right guy. It seems so long ago because our lives have blended so smoothly, it is hard to remember what it was like before. Now our life is so much better together. Our careers are established, we have a forever home that we love, our families are healthy and active in our lives, and most importantly we love being parents to our daughter. We both loved having siblings and want the same special, close relationship for our daughter. We are looking forward to adding another child to our family.



Fun Facts & Favorites

	Kristin	Danny
Favorite food:	Ribs	Pizza
Favorite color:	Cobalt Blue	Blue
Favorite treat:	Dark Chocolate	pretzels and beef jerky
Favorite movie:	Gone with the Wind	Saving Private Ryan
Favorite vacation:	Costa Rica	Florida
Favorite sport:	Swimming	Football
Favorite season:	Summer	Fall
Favorite Ice Cream:	Chocolate Peanut Butter	Strawberry
Hobbies:	reading, swimming, planting flowers	bowling, golf, salt water aquarium
Childhood Memory:	Camping with my family	Playing in the creek
Occupation:	Elementary Teacher	Restaurant Area Manager
Education:	Masters in Education	High School

- **Kristin** was a synchronized swimmer in college and even competed against some women who went on to the Olympics.
- **Danny** has a crazy amount of song lyrics in his head. He can song quote for days or recognize a song from the first few measures.
- **Kristin** has been a lifeguard and swim instructor since she was 15 and likes thinking about all the people she has helped.
- **Danny's** salt water tank is 300 gallons of coral and beautiful fish. He picks fish that he knows Kristin will like.
- **Kristin** has traveled to Trinidad, Costa Rico, and Haiti to work with school children and scientists to help blue and gold macaws, leatherback turtles, tree frogs, and goats.



More About Us...

Danny by Kristin

Danny would best be described as a caring, laid back, hard worker. He is proof that hard work pays off. His leadership abilities were recognized back in high school and he is still working for the same company! Through the years he has continually been promoted because of his calm, thoughtful, flexible, work style. Danny is also willing to learn. He is comfortable admitting when he doesn't know how to do something and will do his best to learn. I giggle sometimes about what he has learned from you tube and recently saw him reading a book on raising strong daughters. How can you not love this commitment? I know that when I have had a hard day I can count on him to listen and support me. I see his responsible side when he makes financial decisions and makes sure we are cared for. He already has a college fund set up and I know that I can trust him to provide for our family. I love to see him best though as Daddy. Whether it is taking our daughter to story time, putting her to bed each night, singing silly songs, playing ice cream shop, or cuddling, he has truly excelled in this role. It makes my heart full to see him and our daughter together. I know he has much more love to give.

Kristin by Danny

Soon after meeting Kristin I knew she had it all together. I was impressed (and often entertained) by her stories about her students, she maintained her house and yard herself, and was involved with mission groups. When we went white water rafting together and she found a crazy museum and a phenomenal pizza place I knew she was special. She has taught over 450 students in her career. Even though our daughter is younger than her students I see her using her background to help our daughter grow into a responsible, thoughtful person. Her experience with science experiments, messy projects, critters and plants, and helping children is immeasurable. I also love how she jumps in to help others in need. She helps run a fundraiser for the local children's hospital, organized a benefit for a group that gives food to students for the weekend, and has gone on trips to help schools in several other countries.

Our Home

Our home is in a family oriented community that is often on the list of best places to live. The schools are fabulous and the growing area has plenty of parks, theaters, sports arenas, and museums. Our home sits on an acre lot that is partially wooded. Our yard has a play set, a tree house, plenty of room to play, lots of flowerbeds, and this year we added a raised bed garden. Kristin loves to spend time working with the flowers and Danny secretly loves his zero turn mower. Inside we have 3 bedrooms and bathrooms on the main floor. The main area is very open so when cooking dinner, the kitchen, family room, and dining room being together makes family time easy. The finished basement has another bedroom and bathroom. Originally designed as the ideal man cave for his favorite sports team, it now has a whole section that is a perfect kid play area. The walkout basement opens into a super backyard with Kristin's favorite area the gazebo and pool.

Our Family

Papa, Nana, Uncle Erik and us (Kristin's immediate family)

Grandpa, Grandma, Great Grandma, Memaw and other members of Danny's family celebrating Jontaro's 1st birthday

Mom's group with lots of friends to play with

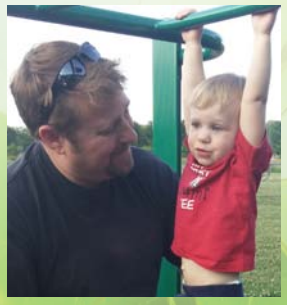
Family means everything to us. We both come from very close, loving families and are blessed to spend time with them. They have been excellent role models of working marriages. All of our grandparents were married more than 60 years and Kristin's parents just celebrated 45 years together. Our families have always been very supportive in everything we do and they cannot wait to have another child to love.

Our marriage is a strong, mature, well balanced relationship. When Kristin was looking for the right guy she was looking for an equal partner. Danny is all of that and more. We have many things we like to do together like going to outdoor concerts and sporting events, theater, and favorite tv shows. But we also understand that adults need time to be with friends and explore their own interests. So on nights Danny has bowling then Mommy/daughter time is gymnastics and swimming lessons. When Kristin teaches her water aerobics class or goes to trivia with friends then Daddy/daughter time is at the park or story hour often followed by ice cream.

All the grandmas on Mother's Day

We have been blessed with a sweet, loving, silly song singing, outdoor girl. She loves to be helpful and has her own 'food garden'. She is a reminder of what is important in life and is always ready to welcome you home and play. Our daughter never went through the clingy stage and doesn't know a stranger. This has brought so much joy to the extended families. Her loving nature is one of the main reasons we want to add to our family. Kristin's extended family is quite large with 18 aunts and uncles and over 50 cousins. Because these groups are so large we get together to celebrate holidays and special occasions. Danny's extended family is smaller so it is easier to get the whole group together more often. They are very welcoming and inclusive and many times Kristin's parents come to the get togethers as well. Our daughter loves having all her grandmas and grandpas together.

Great Grandpa and Grandma welcoming a new family member



We love to play at the park

Easter Egg Hunt

Baseball games are fun

Dear Birthparent,

We know this is a confusing and difficult time for you while you are trying to figure out the best option for you and your precious baby. We hope that you feel supported and loved no matter where you are in your journey.

Thank you for taking your time to get to know us. We promise to love and cherish your child with everything we have and to provide a safe, happy home, and a life with many opportunities. We know what an amazing privilege it will be to parent your child.

We are sending you strength and peace in whatever decision you make.

With Love,

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Why Adoption?

We always knew we wanted to be parents. It was disappointing to find that it wasn't as easy as we wanted. After many losses we were able to have our daughter thanks to God and science. We knew we wanted more children but they would have to be through another path. Danny's dad was adopted and Danny's stepmom is a birth mom so our lives have already been positively impacted by adoption. This is how we were led to adoption. We know that there are many ways to be a family and feel fortunate to have the chance to be parents again.