

Bret & Brooke



our why

We have always dreamed of a big family and felt a deep calling to make adoption part of our story. This past year brought infertility challenges, and while we are incredibly blessed with our three beautiful boys, we believe this journey has guided us toward what has always been on our hearts: welcoming a new baby through adoption to complete our family.

Hello

WE CAN'T WAIT TO MEET YOU.

Thank you so much for taking a moment to learn about our family and get to know us a little more. Adoption holds a very special place in our hearts, especially since Bret was adopted himself at just four days old, a blessing for which we are eternally grateful. We hold deep respect and admiration for the courage it takes to consider this path, and we would be honored to walk it with you. We are grateful you want to get to know us and hope you can get a peak into our world through this profile.

All our love,

Bret and Brooke



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Senior year of High School

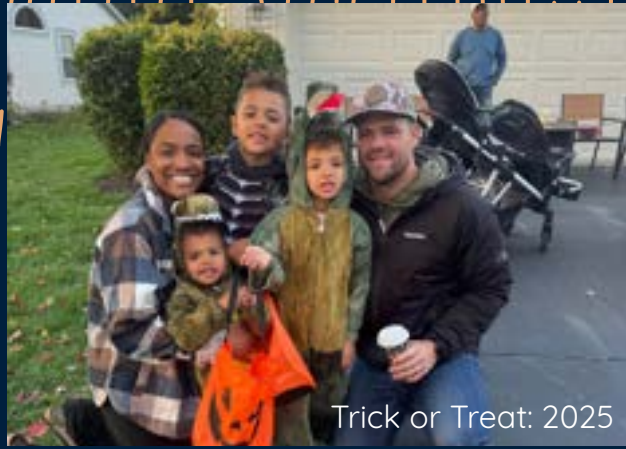


lazy Saturday morning



home is where the  is

We live on 6.5 acres on the outskirts of suburban Ohio in a 4 bedroom 3.5 bath home that gives us plenty of room for our boys to run and play! We have chickens and future plans of adding more animals to our crazy crew!



Trick or Treat: 2025



Memorial Day
Annual Field of Heros 5K

*everyday life
looks like...*

- dance parties
- wrestling
- family movies
- collecting chicken eggs
- family adventures
- hugs and kisses
- breakfast for dinner
- living room forts
- family handshakes
- bedtime snuggles



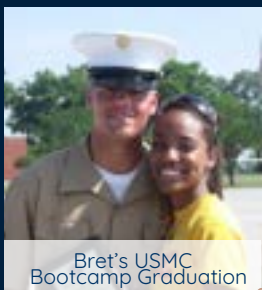
2025 Marine Corps Ball



Senior Year Prom



Fort Myer's to visit Bret's
parents this year



Bret's USMC
Bootcamp Graduation

We started dating in 2005 and the rest is basically history. From high school to the Marine Corps, to marriage and babies, we have been through it all.

the story of us...

MEET
Brooke

ACCORDING TO BRET:



MEET
Bret

ACCORDING TO BROOKE:

Brooke is the center of our universe; none of us boys could do it without her. When she's not taking care of her kids at work, she's taking care of us here at home! The boys always know that after a fun adventure or sports practice with dad, they can find solace, comfort, and warmth in mom's loving embrace. The love, compassion, patience, and brightness she exudes as a mother and wife are the light in our lives. Her joyful and fun nature keeps us on our toes, and we owe most of the laughs and warmhearted snuggles in our life to her.

Bret is one of the most loyal, protective, and caring people I know! Watching him as a father has truly been one of the greatest joys of my life. He absolutely adores our boys and is a constant source of love, guidance, and fun in their lives. Whether he's teaching them new skills, navigating the day-to-day hustle with patience and humor, or leading the charge in a living-room wrestling match, he is fully present in every moment. He's not only an incredible dad but also a remarkable role model—someone who shows our children what kindness, strength, and devotion truly look like.



OCCUPATION

Pediatric Nurse Practitioner

DREAM VACATION

African Safari

FAVORITE FOOD

Pasta

MY HOBBIES

Photography & Reading

FAVORITE MUSIC

A little bit of everything

FAVORITE TV SHOW

Bridgerton, Scandal

MY OCCUPATION

Management Consultant

DREAM VACATION

Visiting National Parks

FAVORITE FOOD

Donato's Pizza & Steak

MY HOBBIES

Exercising, Coaching our son's sports

FAVORITE MUSIC

Also a little bit of everything

FAVORITE TV SHOW

Mad Men, True Detective

We are both lucky enough to work for companies who are very supportive of bonding time after the arrival of a child. Our plan is to stagger our leaves over the first six months of the baby's life. After this time, he or she will be watched by our family friend in an in-home daycare setting along with their older brothers!

Bret's Adoption Story



Bret was adopted at four days old by the most loving set of parents a child could hope for, who had waited many years before becoming Bret's parents. His birth mom was seventeen at the time and courageously chose adoption, for which Bret feels eternally grateful.

From the beginning, Bret felt deeply loved and grew up knowing he belonged. Because his adoption was open, he always knew he was adopted, and during his early childhood, his birth mother remained part of his life through letters, photos, and regular updates, though after facing challenges in her life, she eventually lost contact with Bret for many years.

As a young adult, Bret reunited with several members of his birth family, including his birth mother, aunts, grandmother, and siblings. He grew up begging his parents for a brother, only to later learn that he was the oldest of seven biological brothers and sisters. Today, he stays in close contact with all six of his younger siblings and is grateful for both the family who raised him and the family who gave him life. His story is one of love, honesty, and compassion, showing that adoption isn't the end of a relationship - it's just the beginning of a new one that lasts a lifetime.

meet our boys



MEET Beau

Beau is our oldest son! Our sweet 6-year-old is a gentle, thoughtful boy who's naturally protective of his younger brothers. He tends to be a little shy at first, but once he warms up, he shows his caring heart in the sweetest ways. He loves to play sports, face new challenges, and be helpful to the family; he takes his role as big brother very seriously.



MEET Callan

Our 2-year-old is an easygoing, go-with-the-flow little guy who's always ready with a silly smile or giggle. Even as the youngest, he definitely holds his own with his big brothers - jumping right into their games, keeping up with their antics, and adding his own playful spark to the mix. He's truly a gem.



MEET Griffin

Our 4½-year-old is full of energy and curiosity, always ready to explore, ask questions, and turn seemingly ordinary moments into an adventure. Beneath all that enthusiasm is a deeply loving heart; he gives the best snuggles, adores his siblings, and radiates joy wherever he goes.



extended family and friends

We are blessed to have a big extended family and support system surrounding us. Brooke's parents, sister, and brother all live 20 minutes away, allowing our boys to grow up with their cousins right by their side. We all usually get together once or twice a week for playtime, celebrations, and all kinds of crazy adventures! We love planning fun family outings, whether renting a 16-passenger bus to drive through the holiday lights, or spending a day splashing around at the local water park!



Cousin Vera, Memaw (Brooke's Mom), our boys, and Papaw (Brooke's Dad)

Bret's parents live in Florida but visit often, and they are even building an in-law suite on our property so they can be an even bigger part of our daily lives.

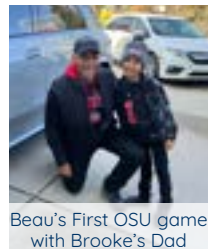
We're also lucky to have a tight-knit group of friends we've known since seventh grade, the "family we choose", with whom we get together as often as we can. We are beyond grateful that our boys get to grow up in a world surrounded by friends and family filled with such love and support.



Swimming at Brooke's Parents with cousin Baylor



Family beach trip with Bret's Parents



Beau's First OSU game with Brooke's Dad



Cousin Beckham & Cal



Both sets of Grandparents at Cal's first birthday

Like so many moms in this season of motherhood, I often find myself with a lap full of boys. I'll tease them and ask, "Where will the baby fit?" Without hesitation, they all eagerly argue over who has room and where a sibling would fit.

We would be absolutely honored to be chosen to welcome your baby into our family.

always room for more