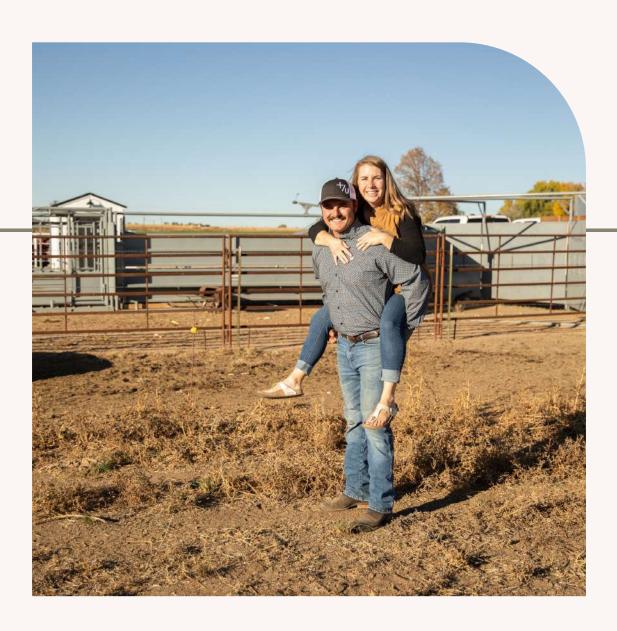
Wesley & Sarah

THE STORY OF US





Hello

WE'RE WESLEY & SARAH

We want to start by saying thank you for considering us to be adoptive parents. We have the biggest heart for you and truly admire you and your decision for your child. Even though this may be a difficult time in your life, we would be honored to help ease some of the anxiety by providing a loving, safe, and fun home for your child to grow up in. You are so brave for making the decision that you have and we have the utmost respect for where you're coming from. We believe God has a plan for everything and He puts people in our lives for reasons we would have never expected. We are grateful that we might have the opportunity to be a part of yours.

When it comes to parenting, our priority is for your child to know just how much they are loved by us, by you, and by God. We say "I love you" a lot in our family! Our dream for your child is that they grow up in a home they know is safe and secure while still feeling like they have every opportunity to spread their wings and enjoy all that life has to offer. We hope you enjoy reading a little bit about our story and would be honored to be considered as adoptive parents for your child.

OUR HEARTS FOR

Adoption

After being married four years, we have not been able to have biological children. Ultimately, we deeply want to have a family. Since before we were married, we had discussed adoption as a possibility. Children are such a gift from God and after finding out that we would likely not be able to have biological children of our own, adoption was an easy choice. We wholeheartedly believe adoption is an admirable decision for birth mothers and want to support that decision in every way we can. We have always wanted kids and God's plan for us has proven to be that they will come through adoption. Now, we couldn't be more excited!









Love Story

WE MET AT CHURCH!

Both of us knew a lot of the same people but for whatever reason, had never run into each other. The day we finally happened to meet, we hit it right off! While dating we both knew our faith and families were important to us and that they would be a big part of our lives moving forward. From the beginning, we both had a pretty good feeling that things between us were meant to be. Both of us love to laugh and have fun, no matter what we were doing which really drew us to each other! We enjoyed going to a lot of friends' weddings, rodeos, dances, and a few sporting events. We became pretty much inseparable and from there, the rest is history!

WESLEY PROPOSED ON A LAKE...

A little over a year after we began dating, we had plans to take our little jon-boat out on the hometown lake one Saturday. After the boat ride, we went for a walk around the lake. We came to a dock late in the afternoon where there were flowers set up and Wesley got down on one knee and popped the question! It was an immediate YES! Shortly after, all of our siblings joined us on the dock and we had a glass of champagne to celebrate. From there, Sarah was surprised to be met at the park in town with all of our family waiting to have a barbecue. It was a great day filled with lots of love and support from our families!

...AND WE MARRIED ONE YEAR LATER!

Our wedding day was one of the most special days of our lives! After a year of waiting and planning, it finally arrived. We got married in the church we attend regularly. We had all kinds of family and friends come from in-town and outof-state, which made us feel special. There were lots of good nerves and happy tears! One of the most special moments was when Sarah and her dad were walking down the aisle- we locked eyes and knew that this day meant forever! We both had various friends and members of our family involved in the ceremony. In total, we had a wedding party of 16! We had our reception in the church hall. There was lots of good food and drinks, music, and dancing. A couple of days after the wedding, we went to Maui, Hawaii for our honeymoon. It was an unforgettable experience all around!

WE HAVE BEEN MARRIED FOR FOUR INCREDIBLE YEARS.

We work on our marriage every day through little actions and words. We love that we can joke with each other and laugh together often and we share the same goals in life. When we do have conflict, we try to keep level heads and talk through things: communication and compromise is important to us. We believe our shared faith and trust in God is what keeps our marriage strong.







MY WIFE

Sarah



I admire how my wife is extremely strong while at the same time being very soft-hearted. It's a hard combination to describe but she has a way of making you feel very warm while it seems like she has the power to move mountains. Sarah is a great homemaker - she keeps our house full of love with great smells from the kitchen while somehow keeping everything clean in the meantime. One of my favorite things that Sarah makes is Beef Wellington. I also love the homemade ice cream she makes in the summer! She is strong in her faith in God and doesn't cower in the face of hardship. I love her smile and her laugh. I know she pushes me to be a better man and sincerely wants what's best for me. Any time I'm feeling overwhelmed, she makes every effort to slow things down at home and enjoy our time together.

Sarah is genuinely the best person I have ever seen with children. She is extremely good with children; she loves them and they love her back immediately. She is playful, observant, and patient in all aspects of her interactions. For a while, she was a preschool teacher and there were times that I was around her class - they all adored her. I constantly heard from the kids' parents how much they loved her as a preschool teacher. I know Sarah is looking forward to nearly every aspect of being a mother through adoption. Any child would be hitting the jackpot to have her as their mother! She will be loving, warm, and nurturing and quick to respond to any need they would have. The idea of her as a mom is so exciting to me!





"Being a first-time parent I am looking forward to going through all the milestones with our child and Wesley alongside me. Being a parent is a true gift and I can't wait to experience it."





MY HUSBAND

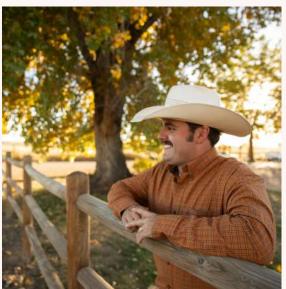




Wesley is an amazing husband. He is loving, faithful, very hard-working, and is always putting others first—especially me and our families. Wesley always makes me feel protected and loved. And, I know he will be the most protective father anyone could ask for. I love his laugh and sense of humor. He is very outgoing and knows how to make friends with anyone. He is also very thoughtful and will go out of his way to get me coffee or flowers on his way home from work or put some of his things to the side to help with something around the house. He is also very passionate about his faith. Together we push each other to be better every day. He balances me well in the fact that he is very level-headed. Any time I am feeling anxious or stressed, his calm demeanor is comforting and can put me at ease.

I can't wait to see Wesley become a father. He is fantastic with kids now and we have several nieces and nephews who adore him! They are always asking to play "bull-riding" with Uncle Wesley. One of the kids will get on his back in the living room or yard and one will be the "bull-fighter" and then they ride him around and chase him laughing the whole time. We also have several friends who all have kids and you can always find Wesley doing something fun with them. He knows just how to make them laugh! I am looking forward to Wesley becoming a father through adoption. Watching him love, interact, nurture, and show our child(ren) the ropes of the farm. I am eagerly waiting for this next season of living and watching Wesley as he becomes a father!







"I'm looking forward to caring for and nurturing a child. The laugh of a child is just about the cutest thing and we do a lot of laughing, so we can't wait for a baby to be a part of that as well!"

- Wesley

MORE ABOUT

Sarah

I work as an office manager for an Optometrist. I have worked there for over 10 years and love how flexible it is. I work in the office two days a week and spend the rest of my time being a farm wife and helping Wesley with all the farm life things. The plan has always been for me to stay home with our children. I couldn't be more excited to fully start that journey of motherhood as a stay-at-home mother. I am so very grateful that Wesley is able to provide for our family for me to be able to do that

I love to garden and preserve food that I have grown for the winter/spring months. One of my dreams is to be able to make nutritious baby food which all comes from food grown right here on the farm! I enjoy taking care of animals, especially the chickens and Jersey cows. I love going for a coffee run with my mom or sisters-in-law. I also really enjoy cooking. I am old-fashioned and creative when it comes to cooking but Wesley always seems to think it's really good! We get a lot of exercise around the farm but still enjoy taking walks in the evening watching the sunset.





"I can't wait to share our family traditions with a child and create new ones as a family of three!"



"My prayer for our children is that they know and love God above all things, and that they feel loved and supported by their parents and extended families without limits."



MORE ABOUT

Wesley

I have two occupations- one being a general contractor in our family-owned restoration company, and the other being a farmer on our family farm. Both take a decent amount of work, but both are owned by our family. This setup is perfect for kids: I grew up going to work with my dad often and I would love to do the same with our children. My job is also extremely flexible and we feel very blessed to have this lifestyle.

I enjoy working with cattle. I like to watch them get to know us and see the little quirks that each of them has in their own personality. Raising beef is a very satisfying endeavor for me. I also like to go hunting and fishing. With Sarah, I enjoy going on various dates out to dinner or square dancing. We always have a fun time when we go to the dances!



We do a lot of things around the farm together whether it be taking care of the cows or chickens or going on walks around the property. We enjoy being outside and enjoying the beautiful sunsets at night! With the beautiful views, it is nice to sit back and watch the animals while eating dinner as the sun goes down. We like to have our niece and nephews over to play as often as possible. We also belong to a square dance club so any chance we have to dance together we take. At the end of the day, we have the kind of relationship where we can be doing just about anything together and it can be quality

time; whether that is working our farm store together or going to dinner and dancing, we simply enjoy each other's company.

We have lots of animals around the farm. There are two dogs: Willie (a Great Pyrenees) and Goose (a Blue Heeler). The dogs are very nice, especially Willie. He is a big teddy bear when it comes to kids – they love to ride him and pet his white fur; he also loves it. We have a couple of barn cats and quite a few cows. The dairy cows are tame and know people very well. The beef cows get to know us but are not pets quite the same way as the others!

















Together is our favorite place to be.



We have a one story three bedroom, two bathroom home with a walk-out basement. We have two shops/barns on the property as well - one for storing hay and farm equipment and the other for milking the dairy cow and storing tools. There is space all around us so it is perfect for kids to run and play. In the summer, we have large trees that are full of leaves and there is green all around us! In the winter, we have a cozy basement with a pellet stove that makes for a perfect night to watch a movie. Any time of the year you can walk into our home and catch a whiff of something delicious from the kitchen. There are pictures of our wedding day, our families, and faith-based art that can be found on the walls. We feel like our home is filled with a lot of love and would be an excellent place for any child to call home and grow up.









Our community might look a little different than most. We live in Northern Colorado on a farm that adjoins three other farms of our family members. We have a lot of community within our family and the playground for the cousins usually ends up being on the farm itself. That being said, we are close enough to a couple of different towns that we can go to the pools in the summer, have church communities that get together every week, and enjoy some good restaurants as well. We like to go to the festival/rodeo events that are held every Summer and parades in the Fall. It's a great place to raise a family!

Our extended family







SARAH'S FAMILY

Sarah's extended family consists of her father, George, her mother, Carolyn, brother, Tim, her brother, Tom, and his wife Emily, and her brother Mike, and his wife Liz. Tom and Emily have two sons, Emery (3) and Walter (2) as well as a new baby girl, Adeline! Mike and Liz have one daughter, Sophia (1), and another little one on the way! Sarah's family is all very close to our farm. They share the adjacent 3 farms so no one is far at all! We usually all get together for dinner on Sundays to eat and catch up on the week as well. There are currently 4 (soon to be 5) babies/toddlers running around so things can be hectic from time to time, but the kids bring so much joy to everyone! On a very regular basis our "neighbors" (family) will stop by to say hi and help out or borrow something. Our nephews who live very close will come by with one of their parents or grandparents in the Gator ATV since we do not have to drive on main roads to get from farm to farm.

WE FEEL VERY BLESSED TO HAVE THE FAMILY DYNAMICS THAT WE DO. WE ALL GET ALONG VERY WELL AND WOULDN'T WANT IT ANY DIFFERENT.

ALL OF OUR EXTENDED FAMILY IS EXCITED THAT WE ARE ANTICIPATING THE ARRIVAL OF A CHILD AND HAVE VOICED HOW SUPPORTIVE THEY ARE OF THE ENTIRE PROCESS!

WE KNOW OUR FUTURE CHILD WILL HAVE A SUPPORT SYSTEM LIKE NO OTHER!







WESLEY'S FAMILY

Wesley's extended family consists of his father, Larry, his mother, Julie, and his sister, Kathryn. They all live within about 30-40 minutes of us and we see/talk to them very often. Wesley works with his father, Larry so they see each other most days and then we get together with Julie and Kathryn regularly for fun. When we are all together there is a lot of laughter and catching up from the week or two since we last got together.

FAITH

This is our family's number one value because we believe everything else roots from that. God has been so generous with us and it is our responsibility to give back to Him as well. We pray often and wholeheartedly believe in the teachings in the Bible.

LOVE

We share a lot of love between the two of us and plan to share that and more with our children. We tell each other "I love you" many times a day and we mean it.

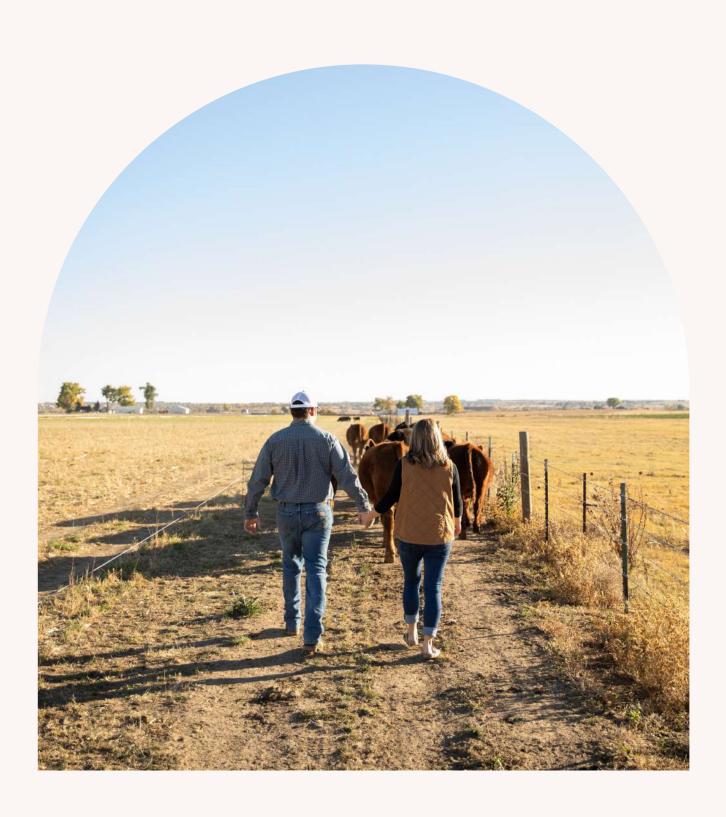
FUN

We have a lot of fun and do a lot of laughing in our home. Without that, sometimes we can take ourselves too seriously and life starts to become monotonous. We plan on raising our children to know how to have fun in the things they decide to take on.

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HARD WORK

Both of us value hard work because the fruits of that labor, whether it be physical, emotional, or mental, have a much longer impact than an endeavor that is easily achievable. Our children will be taught how to work towards the things they want in life while still keeping the above three values close by.





BEFORE YOU GO WE WANT TO SAY

Thank you

We are so grateful that you have taken the time to consider our family as a possibility to care for your sweet baby. We truly admire your strength and faith that God has a plan for what is to come. We understand this may not be an easy path right now, but know that we are here for you and your baby. Through our journey so far, we have learned a lot about the adoption process and how beautiful the relationship can be between adoptive parents and birth parents. We are excited to see how that can look!

If you choose us, we want you to know from the bottom of our hearts that your child will be part of a family that loves them unconditionally with every ounce that we have. We will make sure your child is proud of where they came from and how they got to where they are. From photos to letters, and any means in between, we will make sure they have the opportunity to know their story and know how strong their birth family is. You are where their story starts, and we want them to know how important that is! We promise to honor and respect you along the way, and your child will always know how brave you are. We would be more than happy to stay in contact to share updates, photos, and stories!

We can't wait to meet you!

With much love,

Wesley and Sarah

the story is just beginning

