

Hobbies & Interests
Together: time with family &
our pets, the outdoors, kayaking,
exploring, metal detecting,
snorkeling
Joshua: woodworking
Amanda: swimming

Occupation Joshua: Postal Worker Amanda: Social Worker

#### Education

Joshua: Army Veteran, Associate's Degree (JC), Airframe and Powerplant Degree (MIAT). Amanda: Master's in Social Work (USC), Bachelor's in Psychology (EMU), Associate's Degree (WCC)

Religion or Belief System Protestant Christian

#### Pets

We love our dog, 2 cats, mini horse, 2 mini fainting goats, and mini bunny.

Children in Home None

## **Our Story**

We met in 2012. We quickly hit it off and after two years of courtship, we got married in 2014. We have been married and have owned our home for 10 years. Our home is located just north of a small town that's between two larger cities. We have six acres, and a large portion is fenced-in. Our wrap-around deck offers stunning views of the marsh that sits behind our home (great for sunrises and star gazing) and our walkout basement gives us the opportunity to welcome our "barn babies" inside for a movie night. There's lots of beauty in our area and many people visit our community for vacation.

## What Brought Us to Adoption

We have always talked about adoption right from the beginning. Amanda's father was adopted as a teen after both his parents passed. We are forever grateful that he had a guiding hand in his upbringing. It is our wish that we could be that guidance in another's life as well. We cannot wait to complete our family through adoption!

# Our Hopes, Open Adoption & Relationship with Birth Family

We would love to send pictures, updates, and invites to special events in our child's life if birth parents are open to it and feel comfortable. The more people who love our child, the better!





These individuals have met all requirements of the State of Michigan and Catholic Social Services of Washtenaw County to become adoptive parents, may fit your situation and are waiting to welcome a child into their home. If you would like more information about this family, please email pregnancy@csswashtenaw.org or contact Melissa.