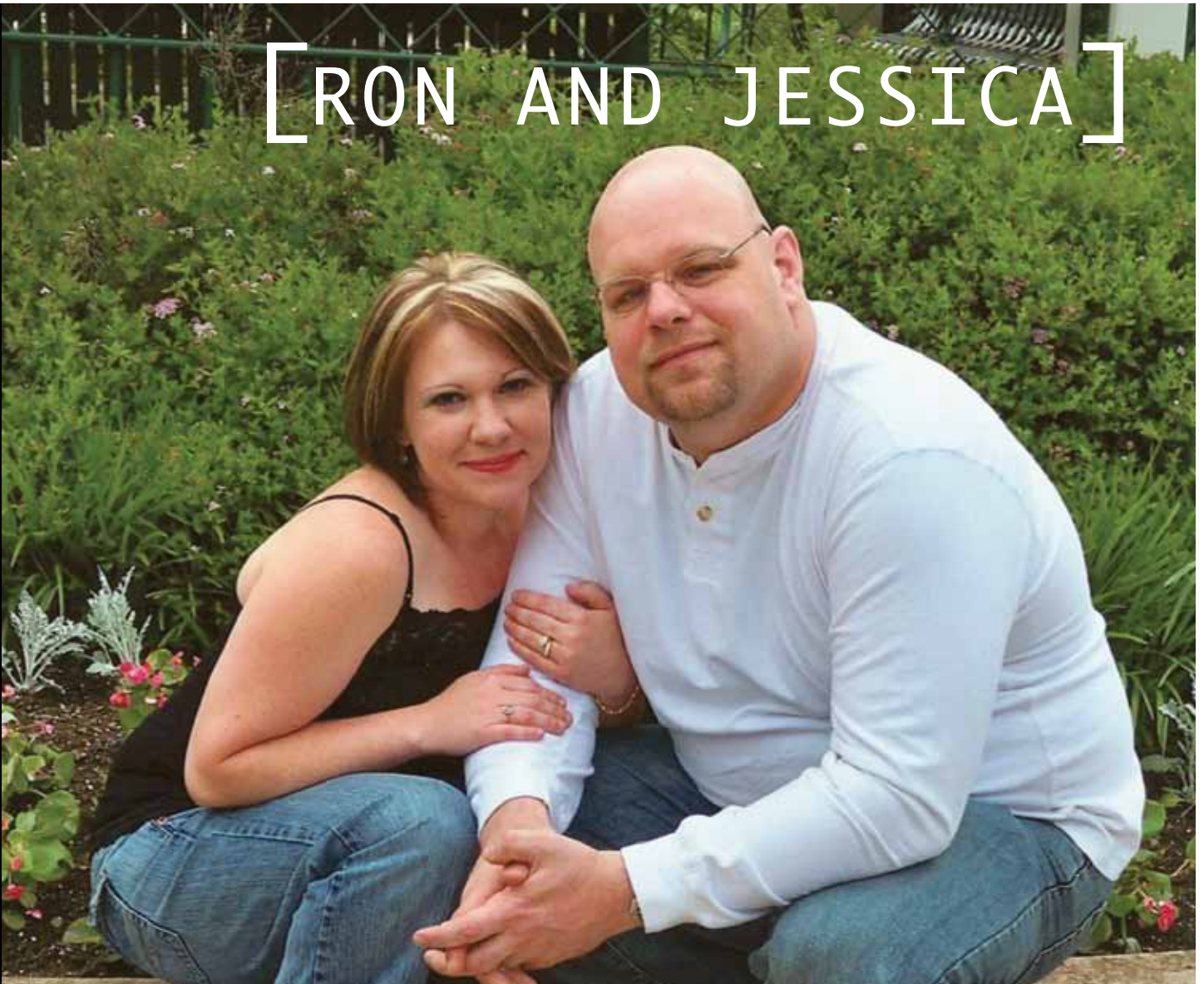


[RON AND JESSICA]



*Jess & her brother
at her brother's house*



Ron & his brother-in-law



Jess & her sister



Ron & our nephew

DEAR BIRTHPARENTS,

What do you say to someone who is considering giving you the most precious gift in the world? How could you ever fit enough words into a few pages to say: we are happy, very in love, secure in our marriage, and want to share our life with a child.

We would like to introduce ourselves, we are Ron and Jessica. We invite you to take a walk into our world. We hope to show you what life looks like through our eyes, and what we have to offer a child that comes into our world.

ABOUT US

We met at Jessica's place of employment in 2002. We spent most of our early courtship bowling, watching movies, and just generally goofing off. We both, from day one, could not stand to be without each other. As the days turned into months, both of us knew we were meant to be together forever.

We enjoy the same type of shows, movies, and interest. We like watching NCIS, Criminal Minds, and animated movies like Shrek, Ice Age, and Cars. We enjoy spending time at our nephew's sporting events. He wrestles, plays baseball, and plays football. Both of us enjoy history so much, that we took our honeymoon to Virginia to visit historical sites.

Our family has always been first and foremost. We find that God and family are pillars that should never break. We believe Honor, Trust, Integrity, and Respect to be more than just words. These are values that we feel will help us in raising a child in a healthy, loving, family environment.

As a couple, we have always hoped parenthood would be around the corner. After attempting several rounds of infertility treatments, Jessica had a complete hysterectomy. We have always considered adoption as a choice for us, and it is clear that this is our true destiny. Our dream is to give our child more than a happy, supportive life. We want them to have all the tools they need to succeed, and the faith to maintain their dreams. We will provide unconditional love and support to our child, as well as, helping to make all of their dreams come true.



Ron putting crib together



Ron & his sister



Jess with Dr. Cullen from Twilight



Jessica's family

ABOUT RON

I was raised in a smaller city, in West Virginia. I have one younger sister. I lived with my family until I was 18, and then I joined the Army.

My father, though tough, was always fair. He is the strength behind our family. My mother is a loving, supportive member of the household. She is an amazing cook, and enjoys teaching Jessica our family recipes. My family has always been supportive, and I have always known that they would do anything for me. They have given me the skills to succeed as a man, husband, and someday as a father, for that I am truly thankful. They are excited about our decision to adopt, and can not wait to be grandparents for the first time.

I found out at an early age, my father had adopted me. This, of course, raised questions. I have spoken with my birthfather, and understand his decision to let me be adopted. I know that I will be able to help our child understand the unconditional act of love that their birthparents made for him/her.

I enjoy spending some of my spare time umpiring for a little league association. I umpire both boys baseball and girls softball. I have also coached both in previous years. As a coach, I enjoyed teaching children how to play the game. It is amazing watching them grow and understand that through hard work and practice, anything is possible. I feel it is important to build a child's self esteem, and to give them all the tools they need to succeed. My other favorite pastimes are: family BBQ's, refinishing woodwork, golfing with my nephew and brother-in-law, playing Wii bowling and tennis with Jessica, Playstation 3, and Xbox 360 with family and friends.

I am an Associate employee for a large company. I am fortunate to work for a company that understands and believes in family first. I have been blessed that I have a full time job that requires me to work less than forty hours a week. I am excited that this will allow me to watch and experience our child growing up. I will be an active part of our child's life. I will be a strong, caring father that provides our child with unconditional love and support throughout their life.



OUR PET



Roxie, also known as the doodle, is our 3 year old miniature schnauzer. She is the type of puppy that is always into something. She loves to take walks in the nearby parks, bath time, visiting other family dogs, and just sitting in your lap when you are watching television. She is happy, and loves children.



Ron & Jess



Ron & Roxie



Ron & Jess

ABOUT JESSICA

I was born in a small town, in Ohio. I am a middle child of a VERY close, Christian family. My father has always been a great provider/supporter. We see each other weekly, usually more. My mother and I see each other almost daily. We enjoy going bargain shopping, watching scary movies, and doing arts and crafts. My sister and I love to shop, talk on the phone, and play Wii together. My brother, though younger, has always been a protector. He has eight acres of land, and he is looking forward to having a niece or nephew come over to play with his horses, dig in a garden, and teach him/her to make the perfect smore. I look forward to showing our child the value of a close family, and how it is absolutely priceless.

I enjoy crocheting, gardening, and reading. Some of my favorite books are: Dresden Files, Dan Brown books, Harry Potter, and of course the Twilight Saga. One exciting thing I did this year was getting to meet Peter Facinelli (Dr. Cullen), from the Twilight Saga movies. My favorite vacation spot is Disney

World. We can not wait to give our child memories of when he/she visited Disney.

I love to laugh. I love to live life to its fullest. I see everyday as a day that I can do something great for someone else. I want to teach our child that often the greatest rewards are found, when someone does not even know you did something for them. I want him/her to know that often the best things in life are normally free.

I have an Associates Degree in Applied Science for Respiratory Care. I am currently a Registered Respiratory Therapist/Supervisor. I have an exciting career that allows me to work with all age groups from premature babies to the elderly. I am fortunate that I only work three days a week, and have a very flexible schedule.

OUR FAMILY

We have received so much support throughout our lives, from our family. We go out to eat with Ron's parents almost every two weeks, and have family dinners on Sunday afternoons at Jessica's moms house frequently.

We love having game nights, i.e. card games like: Yuoker, Speed, and Phase Ten; board games like: Sorry, Clue, and Trouble; Wii games like: tennis, bowling, and Guitar Hero. We also enjoy Steelers vs. Browns games. We like to get together to watch them as a family. (Not everyone agrees on which team should win these games.) There is no doubt that the neighbors can hear the cheers and the jeers throughout the football game.

All in all, we can not imagine life without them. Each person brings an unique aspect to our family. They have been there for us each step of the way. We can not wait to give our child wonderful memories like: Feasts for holiday dinners, Christmas eve nights of wondering what all Santa is going to bring, sporting events, graduation, college, and many, many more memories throughout the years.

Everyone is beyond excited about the adoption, and everyone is waiting to spend time with our child. This is wonderful because, when babysitters are needed, our child will be taken care of by

family. We already know that our child will be very spoiled, it would be impossible not to do. We will provide everything possible to our child, but also make sure they have love and respect for others.

OUR HOME

We live in a 2 story, 3 bedroom house that is located in a rural area. When we were looking for a home, we wanted to find a place that was located near our family. We live very close to many of our immediate family members.

We have a great community that has good schools, parks, and playgrounds. We live in the type of town where people still say "hi", even if they do not know you. We are looking forward to when we can teach our child to ride a bike, take them to the playground, and walking him/her to school.

After we attended our first adoption class, we took a leap of faith, and decided that we would do the baby's nursery. We both feel that it is important for the potential birthparents to know that we are preparing our home, as well as our hearts, for the child that comes into our lives. Like all of our home projects, we had help from our family in completing this room. Everyone is excited and anxiously awaiting our future arrival.



Our family



Ron's parents



*Jessica's mother painting
the baby's room*



Baby's room

We are so thankful you have allowed us to share our life with you. We hope that we have given you a little insight into our world. We know that we are prepared and ready to raise a child.



The decision that lays ahead of you must be very difficult, we could not imagine what you are going through. We will raise our child to know of the selfless act that brought him/her into our lives. We are open to sharing letters and pictures with whomever our birthparents may be, if that is their wishes.

We have always been the type of people who believe that everything happens for a reason. We may not know your name or your situation, but we are praying that you and all of the other birthparents find peace and grace in whatever decision you make.

Thank You So Much For Giving Us Some Of Your Time!!
Sincerely,