Ken & Megan SHAFFER

Stephenville, Texas

Hello!

Thank you for taking a little time to get to know us!
Our journey to grow our family has had some unexpected turns, but our faith, love for each other, and dream of becoming parents have remained strong.
We hope these pages give you a glimpse of who we are, the people we love, and the life we've built together.
Most of all, we have so much respect for you and your story. Thank you for considering us as you make this incredibly important decision.
We hope we have the opportunity to get to know you, too.

Ken & Megan

A little about us

How We Met

Our journey to each other had a few twists and turns before we both found ourselves on the same dating app at just the right time, in 2021. We matched, started talking, and quickly realized there was something special between us. We still laugh that one of our very first conversations was about tea, but those simple conversations quickly turned into hours of talking and laughing.

Our courtship and engagement were short, but as the saying goes, “when you know, you know.” Megan knew after our first date that we would get married one day. Since then, we’ve built a life filled with laughter, faith, friendship, and a whole lot of love. Through both the wonderful and difficult seasons, we’ve continued to choose each other, and our relationship has only grown stronger along the way.

Our Favorite Things

Fishing

Finding fun & new restaurants

Traveling to see all of our nieces & nephews (homegrown, adopted, & chosen)

Attending livestock shows

Volunteering with our church

Having backyard movie nights

Our Home

We can't wait to read these classics with a baby!

We love the best of both worlds: small-town living with bigger cities close enough for day trips and weekend adventures. We built our home in 2022 in a quiet neighborhood surrounding a private lake, and it has become one of our favorite places to simply be together.
A few things we love about home:

- Sunset views over the lake
- Coffee on the back porch
- Our small garden
- Family and friends gathered around
- Quiet nights at home
- Plenty of room to play and explore
- A home made for birthdays, holidays, and everyday memories

One room is still a work in progress: the nursery. We've intentionally left space for it to grow and come together when we know the child who will call it theirs. But there are already a few things waiting, including a blanket I hand-knitted especially for the little one we hope to welcome into our family.
More than anything, we hope our home will be a place where a child always feels safe, loved, celebrated, and completely at home.

We have a cozy, hand-made blanket waiting for a special little one.

This gift sits under our Christmas tree every year. We hope this is the year we get to open it.

Our 4-Legged Babies

Marlee is a 3-year old Mini Aussie & Corgi mix. She loves to cuddle, play with her toys, and loves to love on everyone, especially kids. Marlee thinks she rules our roost, and makes it her mission to know everything going on in our neighborhood

Dixie's blankie

Dixie is a 6-year old Catahoula mix. She loves snuggling under the covers, sucking on her blankie, playing with Marlee, and loves people, especially her littles. She is always trying to find a way to get in the phone when we facetime with our mini-BFFs.

Megan's Fam-Brothers Luke & Jake, sisters in-law Katlyn & Abby, Niece Finley, Nephew Stratton, Parents Kim & Gary (Mammy & Pappy)

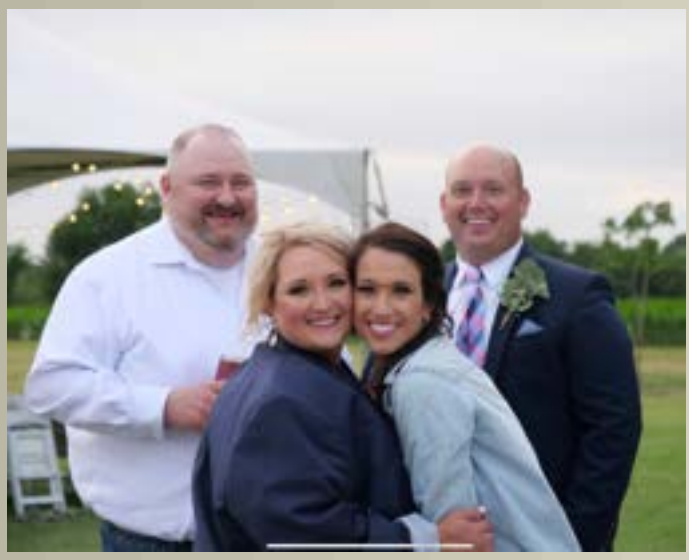
Ken & his dad, Kenneth (Papa)

We feel incredibly fortunate to be surrounded by two kinds of family: the family we were born into and the family we've chosen along the way. Both are filled with people who love us deeply, cheer us on, pray with us and for us, and show up when it matters most. They've walked beside us through celebrations, hard seasons, and all the ordinary moments in between. They are a huge part of our lives, and we know they will surround our future child with that same kind of love and support. Our families mean the world to us and we try to spend as much time as we can with them.

Ken & his sister, Brooke

Family

The one we were born into



Family

The one we chose

Who are Megan & Ken?

"Megan is the most loving and caring person I know, with a heart that seems to have no limits. She always puts everyone else's needs before her own, whether it's family, friends, or anyone who crosses her path. Her selflessness and kindness create a warmth that makes people feel safe and valued. I thank God every day for putting her in my life, and I cannot wait for her to be a mother."

Ken

Megan

Age: 40
Hometown: Farmersville, TX

Work: Program Specialist for 4-H Youth Development with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension

Education: Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership, *Tarleton State University*

Hobbies: Hand Knitting, reading, & gardening

Age: 44
Hometown: Arlington, TX

Work: Counter Sales, Elliott Electric Supply

Education: Bachelors of Science in Criminal Justice, *University of Texas-Brownsville*

Hobbies: Fishing, Hunting, & doing projects that Megan dreams up

Ken

"Ken is the kindest, most caring person I've met. He truly cares about helping everyone around him. His heart is so pure and so open. I cannot wait to see him become a dad."

Megan

Our Promise to You

Becoming parents has been a dream we have carried for a long time. While our journey has not looked the way we once imagined, our desire to love and raise a child in a home filled with faith, family, laughter, and ***unconditional love has never changed***.

We found Abrazo through our friends, Jennifer and Cody, who also built their family through open adoption. ***Through them, we have seen how important it is for a child to grow up knowing their story and knowing they are deeply loved by both their birth and adoptive families.***

If you choose us, we want you to remain part of your child's life. ***To us, open adoption means sharing photos and updates, phone calls, visits, milestones, and everyday moments.*** We will always honor you and make sure your child knows where they came from and how very much they are loved.

We hope this is only the beginning of the letters, photos, calls, visits, and memories we will share for years to come.

Thank you for getting to know us. ***We would be honored to get to know you, too.***

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