

Jessica & Rob

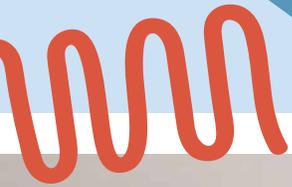


NCA FAMILY ID #: **1005783**



We want to share our journey with you

and hope that you would like to be part of it. We know we can not begin to imagine what your journey has been, but if you choose us we would be honored. Thank you for taking the time to learn about and consider us.





Our Story

We met in college and developed an instant bond. We knew we were meant for each other.

We are best friends and have been lucky enough to grow together over the years. Our love and commitment only grows stronger with every passing day. We married on the 4th of July (because who doesn't want fireworks every year on their anniversary). We were married in a rose garden across the street from the college where we met. We are very close with both of our families, and have stayed close with friends we made in college. We have developed a passion for traveling. We travel as much as possible, both with family and friends, and just the two of us. We lead a full life and love to embrace the moment and make every minute count. We tried for years to have a child to share our lives with, but after countless attempts we were never able to conceive. We do believe that this is what is meant to be and that God has a plan. Our family and friends are super excited about this next journey we are taking in our lives and can't wait to help fill our child's life with joy.



GOLFING IN HAWAII



We have so much love to share and can't wait to show our child the world. When we are not traveling we enjoy time cooking, golfing, going for walks, and taking Sunday drives to just explore.

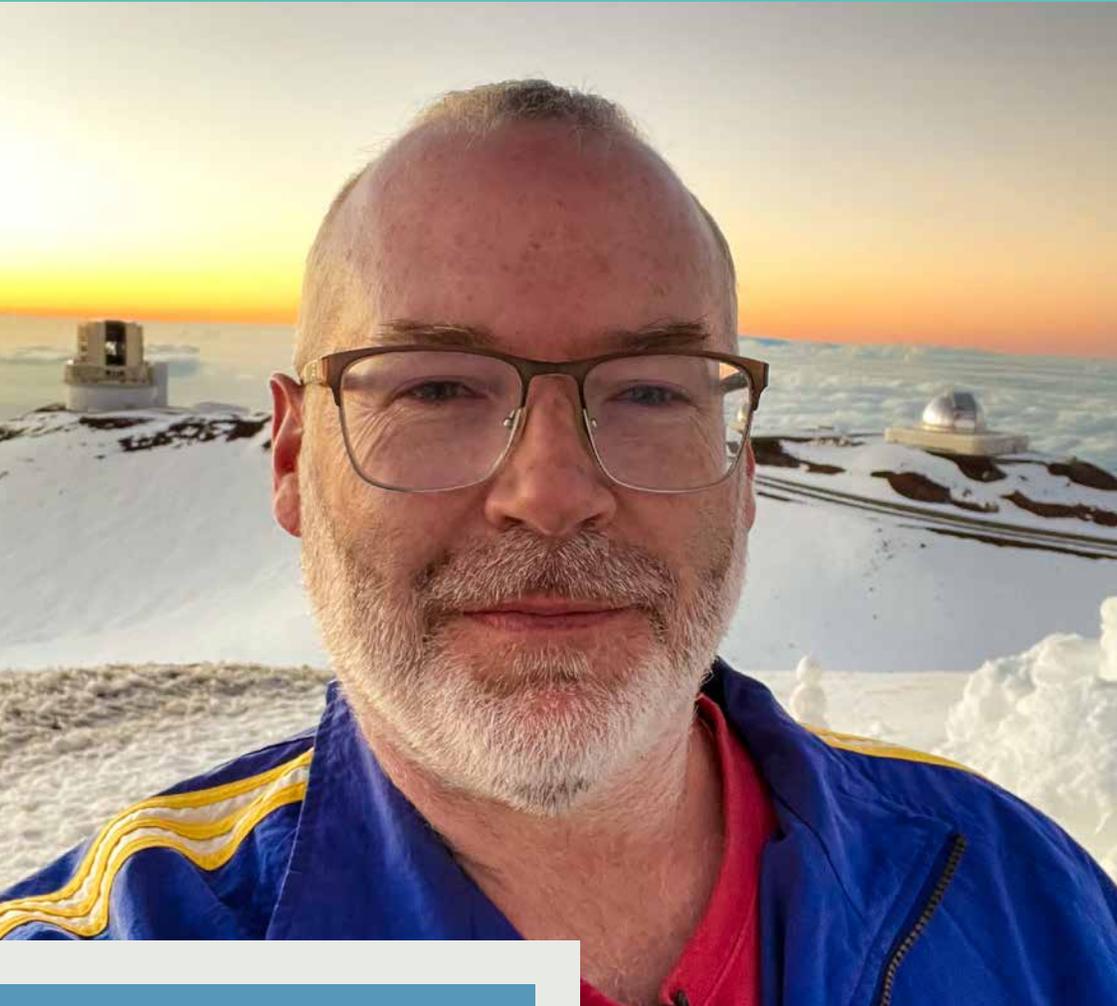
Meet Rob

I often consider myself at odds with myself.

I like my quiet time to watch TV, play games or read; but constantly want to set up activities catching up with friends and family for golf, dinners, shows and music acts. I keep in touch with friends from high school, as well as friends Jessica and I share from college.

I have spent the past ten years and more working in the Federal background clearance industry and value the trust I earn through that work. I have a tendency to find amusement out of the smallest things. When I used to travel for work, I would be driving along a lone highway at sunset, or walking the coast in a park in the Pacific Northwest, and I would make a mental note: "this sure would be nice to share with Jessica." I believe this is the same as how it is regarding our future child. The sights through the eyes of a child will offer an entirely different take on everything, and I am eager to experience that.

My aim tends to be finding what makes me happy and roll with it in life. Fortunately, making my wife happy is a major source of my happiness, as will embracing our child into the adventure we call our life and hopefully soon, our family.



IT WAS A ONCE IN A LIFE TIME EXPERIENCE FOR US TO LEARN HOW TO MAKE PASTA IN ITALY.



PREGAME POSITIVE VIBES



Fun Facts About Me

FAVORITE FOODS -

Sushi or a good ribeye

(YES, QUITE OPPOSITES!)

LOVES MOVIES, TV, & BOOKS -

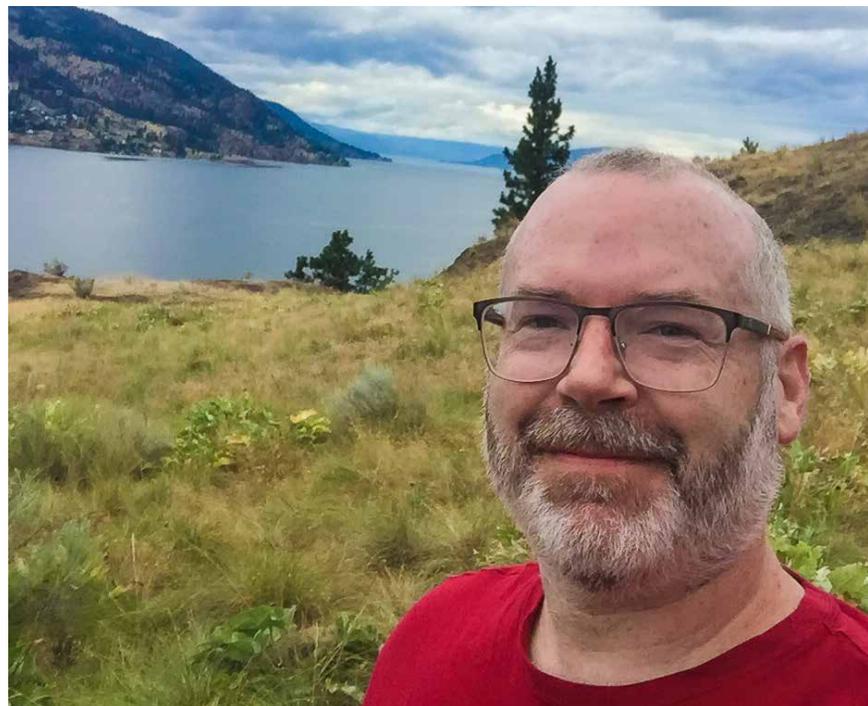
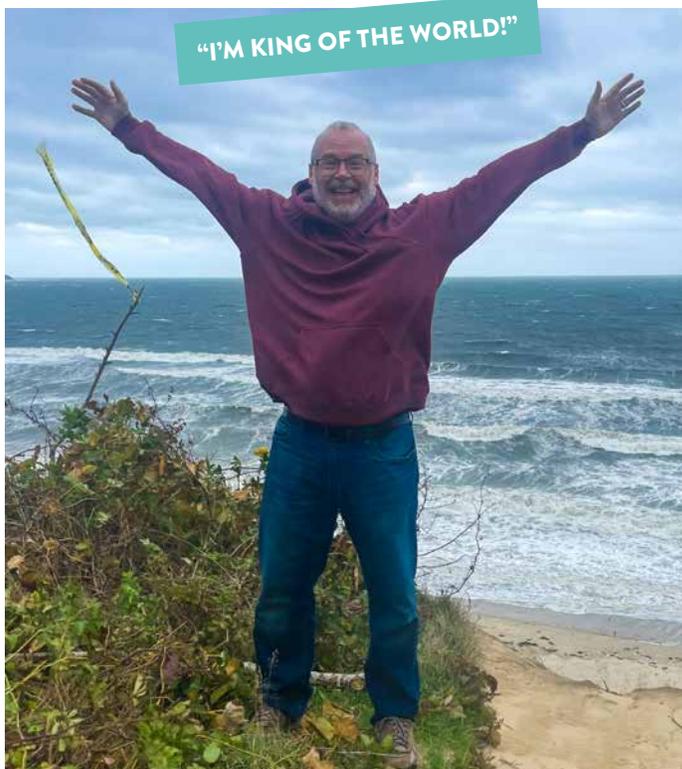
I collected comics when in high school so I'm enjoying the recent decade of shows/movies of my childhood.

VACATION SPOT -

Getting Jessica out to somewhere unexpected that she ends up loving (Austria, British Columbia come to mind!).

FAVORITE ICE CREAM FLAVOR -

Coffee



I LOVE TO HIKE WHEN WE TRAVEL

WE LOVE FOOTBALL AND TAILGATING, BUT WHAT MAKES IT GREAT IS BEING ABLE TO SHARE THIS TIME WITH OUR FAMILIES.



FAVORITE SPORTS TEAM -

With our New England roots, we try and catch the Bruins, Patriots, or Red Sox whenever they come to town.

LUNCH BOX SNACK -

**Does Twix count?
I think Twix.**

Meet Jessica



WE LOVE HAWAII AND HAVE VISITED A COUPLE TIMES

I am a strong independent woman who has been lucky enough to find a loving and supportive partner in life.

I am a boss lady at work and my favorite part of my job is growing and developing my people into amazing leaders themselves. One of my super powers is that I am dyslexic. I do not see this as a disability, but as a strength that means I see things and think differently than others. I am adventurous and spontaneous, but still a logical thinker.

I am close with my girl friends who always keep me grounded and laughing. Over the years I have grown closer and closer to my family. Nothing brings me more joy than spending time with them. Life has not always be easy. My parents divorced when I was young, I struggled in school, I was not the happiest teenager. But I would not change a thing about my life, because it has all made me the women I am today. I am confident, happy, loved, living life to the fullest, fulfilled in my career, and ready to share all of this with our child.



MY FAVORITE PART OF THIS SUNSET CRUISE WAS THE FRESH TAPAS THEY SERVED





GOLF IS NOT JUST A HOBBY IT IS THE FIELD I WORK IN



CAN'T GET ENOUGH OF SEARCHING FOR THE PERFECT SUNSET

Fun Facts About Me

CHILDREN'S BOOK -

Make Way for Ducklings

SEASONAL ACTIVITY -

Spending Saturday morning at the farmer's market

MUSICAL ARTIST -

Anything 80's

FAVORITE ICE CREAM FLAVOR -

Lavender

LUNCH BOX SNACK -

Crackers and cheese

WHAT I LIKE TO COLLECT -

I collect magnets & Christmas ornaments from our travels

SPENDING TIME WANDERING THROUGH THE FARMERS MARKET ON WEEKENDS IS MY HAPPY PLACE



MY PERFECT DAY -

Enjoying my husband's homemade pumpkin pancakes on the back patio then taking a long drive to enjoy the foliage and maybe do some apple picking



Our Home and Community



WE ENJOY SPENDING TIME IN THE KITCHEN COOKING TOGETHER



We love our neighborhood because it is nice and quiet.

It is also full of families with lots of kids to play with. We are close to the downtown and enjoy going for walks to get dinner or ice cream. We also love that we are just 30 minutes outside of Washington, DC. It is great to be able to go into the city and walk around enjoying the sites. DC has so much history and culture to offer. We can wait to explore all it offers with our child.



WE LOOK FORWARD TO GOING TO THE LOCAL FARM TO PICK UP OUR PUMPKINS EVERY FALL



Values We Hope to Share



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- **Life is short - live in the moment. Making the most of every day.**
 - **Change is inevitable, embrace it. Be open to new ideas and experiences.**
 - **Always be your authentic self. Don't change yourself to please others, surround yourself with people who love you for who you are.**



Meet Our Cat, Pan

We have a black cat named Pan (because he looks like a panther) who is very playful and always full of curiosity.



When we're not enjoying time at home together, we love to travel.

Part of what we love about traveling and having lived in several different parts of the country is meeting new people from all different backgrounds and walks of life. We truly have no preferences on ethnicity or gender. Every child is unique, and we just can't wait to love a child for their own true self. We will raise our child to love themselves for who they are and support them by prioritizing their understanding of their ethnicity and cultural history. We may not know everything we need to know in the beginning, but we will be sure to learn and grow with our child.



Our Traditions



HOLIDAYS IN OUR FAMILY HAVE ALWAYS BEEN VERY LAID BACK AND CASUAL DAYS



ROB LOVES PLAYING SANTA FOR THE KIDS AT OUR ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY



WE LOVE TO HOST PUMPKIN CARVING PARTIES IN OCTOBER

An important tradition for us is passing down family recipes. From Jessica's grandmother's fudge we make at the holidays and her secret recipe fruit salad we make each summer to Rob's mom's famous shortbread cookies. We hold these recipes, and the memories we have of making them together, near and dear to our hearts.



Our Loved Ones



WE LOVE TO GO OUT FOR A NICE RELAXING MEAL WITH FAMILY

We love spending time with our family.

While we do not live close by, we have overcome this by sharing our love for travel with them. We always plan trips to visit them each year and love hosting our family in our home, but the time we enjoy most is the vacations we plan together. We have a very casual, laid back family vibe, whether chilling at the beach or cooking together in the kitchen, the feeling is always very relaxed. Even so, we also enjoy pushing our family members outside their comfort zones. Sometimes this is just dragging Rob's mom or sister to a new restaurant and other times this is insisting we all take a jet ski tour in the Keys.



JESSICA & HER BROTHER TOOK THEIR MOTHER ON A BIRTHDAY TRIP TO VAIL, COLORADO



TAKING ROB'S MOM ON A TOUR OF ALL OUR FAVORITE SITES

It has given us great pleasure to be involved in all of our nieces' and nephews' lives (we have 9 total).

We love being the fun uncle and auntie, playing in the pool, spoiling them with ice cream and treats, and taking care of them so their parents can enjoy some adult time. We can't wait to bring another member into the family for them to love.

We also have a very large extended family of aunts, uncles and cousins that we are very close with. All of our family is so excited about our journey into building our family through adoption. We will not be the first members to have gone through this journey, Rob's cousin and his husband have a son they adopted. He is now four years old and we all could not love him more!

ROB'S MOM IS THE BIGGEST NEW ENGLAND SPORTS FAN IN THE FAMILY. SO WHEN SHE COMES TO SEE US, WE OFTEN GO TO A GAME





SPENDING TIME WITH FRIENDS

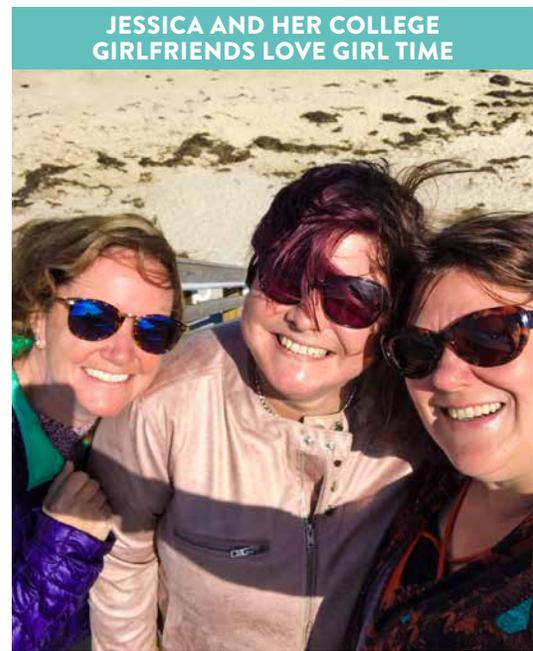
Qualities We Value in Others:

- **Honest**
- **Loyal**
- **Funny**
- **Easy-going**
- **Passionate about life.**

The bond we have built with our friends, is as strong as the ones we have with our family.

THEY MEAN THE WORLD TO US. HERE'S WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT US:

“Jessica and Rob are the glue of our circle. They are the ones that make the plans and ensure that we make time to spend together. They plan the best group trips ever!!! Jessica and Rob are the definition of loyal. They are always there for us no matter what is going on in their lives, they will make the time.”



JESSICA AND HER COLLEGE GIRLFRIENDS LOVE GIRL TIME



THEY SAY THEY WERE BUSY GOLFING ALL WEEKEND





We Promise:

- To give all the love we have in our hearts to making our child's dreams and desires come true.
- To make sure our child grows up knowing the story of how they came to be part of our family and the role their birth family played.
- To make understanding their culture, and the role that their heritage will always play in their life, priorities as they grow.
- To show them the world, and all the beautiful places and people around the world.
- To teach them to love themselves and empower them to believe in themselves.
- To be their biggest cheerleaders through the wins and losses in life, so they will always know that we are on sidelines and have their back.





Family Information



Father's name: Robert
Occupation: Background Investigator
Education: College
Religion: Christian
Date of birth: 1/25/1971
Hair color: Gray
Eye color: Blue
Height: 5'8"

Mother's name: Jessica
Occupation: Retail General Manager
Education: College
Religion: Christian
Date of birth: 7/10/1975
Hair color: Brown/Red
Eye color: Blue
Height: 5'4"

Date of marriage: 7/4/1998

Interests and hobbies: Travel, golf, cooking, going for walks, watching football. Jessica enjoys going for manis & pedis, baking, and watching the food network. Rob loves reading fantasy & sci-fi novels, hiking and playing his computer game with his friends.

Home: We have a 3 story townhome in a quiet suburban neighborhood with just a short walk to downtown. We are about 30 minutes outside of DC and enjoy going into the city.

Pets: We have a black cat named Pan (because he looks like a panther) who is very playful and always full of curiosity.

Why are you interested in building your family through adoption? We tried for many years to conceive and went through many infertility treatments, but it was not meant to be. We believe that things have happened as they should have, and we are excited and ready to build our family through adoption.

Openness to birthparent(s): We would like to have an open relationship with our child's birth mother. To us this would depend on the comfort level of the birth mother. We would be open to anything from emails and sending photos to setting up a visit schedule.

Childcare plans: We will be a nontraditional family. Rob is able to work from home and will be the primary caretaker for our child.



Thank You!



If you choose to meet with us and hear more about our journey, nothing would make us happier. We would love to hear more about your journey as well.

If you were to choose us to raise your child we would love to keep an open relationship. But we also understand if you would prefer not to. I know you only want what is best for your child and I know whatever decision you make will be made from pure love.

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