

# WILL *and* BETH

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hello!

WE ARE

# BETH & WILL

May your path be  
filled with blessings  
as you take steps to  
plan for your precious  
little one's future.

We recognize your great love and courage; and pray for peace, comfort, and discernment in your journey. Thank you for the opportunity to introduce ourselves and share a glimpse into our lives. The prospect of becoming parents through adoption fills our hearts with excitement, joy, and gratitude. We can't wait to share our lives and love with a child.



For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future.

JEREMIAH 29:11





OUR

# STORY

Will proposed at Turner Falls Park on a swimming and picnic trip



A fun day at Orange Beach, AL celebrating our 12th wedding anniversary



**W**ill's college friend was dating Beth's sister and thought he should meet Beth. On our first date, Beth remembers thinking Will was so handsome, gentlemanly, and had a really happy laugh. Will thought Beth was very beautiful, quiet, and sweet. Some of our very favorite memories are those spent early in our relationship getting to know each other. We spent several weekends on adventures exploring new places. We visited zoos, festivals, and fun restaurants. We found that we shared common strong values for faith and family. We have many similar interests such as spending time outdoors and a love for animals. We also admire the pieces and personality traits that are unique to one another. In our walk together we have found that each season has its own beauty—the lightness of our world when we first met and the rich solid relationship we now share. No matter what life may hold, we know we can lean on each other. **Whether we are coming home to a simple evening of relaxing, or traveling out of state to a vacation destination, we enjoy each other's company!**







Will building our home's wrap around deck



# ABOUT WILL

BY BETH





**One of my favorite things about Will is he brings fun with him wherever he goes.**

Will has a great love and genuine care for people. He thrives in social settings. I admire his generous spirit and natural gift to connect with others. He has an easy way of striking up conversation and friendship with people of all varying ages and personalities. Will is the owner of an HVACR (Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration) business. He amazes me in his talent to fix, build, problem solve, and organize all the complexities of running his company. He also has remodeled much of our own home. I am thankful for his close walk with the LORD and his leadership in our church. He is very special to our nieces and nephews. He brings the fun when he visits. You can be sure to hear the little voices shouting "Will is here!" when opening the door at my sister's house.

Will is my best friend. He is one of the most kind, patient, and perpetually positive humans I know. I trust and appreciate his leadership in our marriage. I value his intuition and wisdom as we make decisions together. Will

When teaching children's classes at our church he has a great balance of setting safe and respectful boundaries while letting kids be kids.



**Metal detecting in the woods by Beth's parents' house**

**Will sledding down our driveway after a February snow**



**Hunting from his tree stand**

**Will snags an impressive catfish on an Illinois River kayak float**



## WILL'S FAVORITES

- **Hobby:** Metal detecting
- **Sport I like to play:** Golf
- **Vacation Spot:** Orange Beach, AL, Branson, MO, Arkansas/Oklahoma state parks
- **Source of Inspiration:** The Bible
- **Seasonal activity:** Hunting, fishing & kayaking
- **Perfect day:** Spending time with my wife and our dog hiking; quality time together with a picnic
- **Lunch Box Snack:** Dill pickle flavor cashews
- **Dessert:** My grandma's chocolate pie or chocolate chip cookies
- **Dream job:** Heat & Air Vo-tech Teacher
- **Ice cream:** Mexican fried ice cream or frozen yogurt





# ABOUT BETH

BY WILL



Working in the pottery workshop glazing a coffee cup





Enjoying a cup of hot tea at our dining room table

Building a snowman in the backyard



Visiting a pumpkin patch

## BETH'S FAVORITES

- **Hobby:**  
Crafting, painting, making pottery
- **Vacation Spot:**  
Orange Beach, AL, Water Parks, Branson, MO visiting the Sight and Sound Theatre
- **Seasonal activity:**  
Kayaking, hiking, camping
- **Dessert:**  
Pecan fudge or anything chocolate
- **Dream job:**  
Stay at home mom, write and illustrate children's books, sell pottery
- **Author I like to read:**  
C.S. Lewis
- **Source of Inspiration:**  
Books, I love to read or listen to audio books especially with a cup of hot tea in hand
- **Perfect day:** A quiet day at home with Will and our dog relaxing out on the deck or doing a home project together.
- **Can't live without:**  
Dogs (I love the warmth, love and fun they bring to life)
- **Children's book:** I love the Berenstain Bears books. They are full of fun stories as well as life lessons.



### One of my favorite things about Beth is her caring and kind heart.

Beth is a very sweet, modest, and Godly person. She has never been a woman that is boastful or proud. Her humbleness and caring attitude for others is what first made me realize how she was the one I wanted to spend the rest of my life with. She is an

artist, and a talented one at that. She enjoys painting, drawing, and crafting. With her mom as her teacher, she has been learning how to make and fire her own pottery. One of her latest projects has been writing, illustrating, and publishing a children's book. Her current full time job is the senior graphic artist at Northeastern State University. She and her team create marketing materials for the university. She enjoys her team and her work but is looking

forward to changing her title to full time mom when we become parents! Whether it's sitting out soaking up sun on the back deck, or kayaking down the river, being out in nature is one of her favorite places. Family is a very important part of her life. Many visits have been spent in Nerf gun battles, hide and seek, or tea parties with nephews and nieces. She loves visiting her parents and enjoying the slow paced quiet atmosphere of her hometown.



# OUR FAMILY

We cannot say enough about our family and the solid foundation they are in our lives. They wholeheartedly share in the excitement of our adoption planning. They are eager to be a part of our support system, offer care, and add more love into a child's world.

Will's family live minutes away from our home. His family are very close-knit and always there to offer help to one another and share in each other's lives. **Family gatherings are filled with lively conversation, laughter, and tasty home cooked dishes.**

Beth's family all live some distance away, but we coordinate to make frequent visits. Her family is also very close and a huge source of encouragement and strength. **Gatherings often involve outdoor adventures, creative holiday traditions, and family game nights.**

**Will's Grandma's Birthday Celebration**



**Will hiking at a state park with family**



**Tea party at Sweet Arts Bakery in Tahlequah**







Hiking at Petit Jean State Park



Christmas Day at our church



Christmas tradition; ornament swap

## FAVORITE FAMILY ACTIVITIES

**Will's Family:**  
Attending Tahlequah's  
Red Fern Festival

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Bowling

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Swimming at the creek

**Beth's Family:**  
Christmas ornament swap

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Hiking forest trails at her  
parents

—  
Fishing in her Dad's pond







# OUR HOME *and* COMMUNITY



## Tahlequah, Oklahoma is nestled in the foothills of the Ozark Mountains.

We generally get a little taste of each season. Spring fills the woods with color and beautiful trees in bloom. Hot summer days find us picnicking on the Illinois riverbank or

nearby lakeshore. Winters are often mild with just enough snow for a good sled ride. We enjoy the small-town charm of the community as well as the unique blend of festivals, shops, restaurants, and recreation opportunities. We live in a quiet neighborhood just outside the city limits near the end of a no-through road.

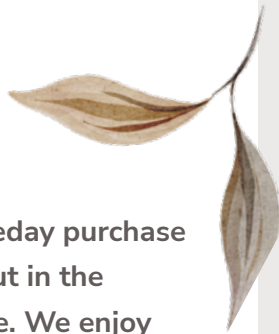
Our paved street with limited traffic makes walking and bike riding favorite activities for us. Our house sits on one acre with a view of pine woods and the river valley from the back deck. We have a spacious brick home with a lot of extra room for a new family addition! Our home is a place of warmth, love, fun, and understanding.





Making dinner at home together

## Future Plans:



We would love to someday purchase several acres further out in the country to build a home. We enjoy planning together and envisioning the details of the rooms that would make them uniquely ours as well as the layout of the land that we are looking for. The prospect of having additional room to spread out, enjoy, and potentially be a part of a legacy for our child is a chapter we hope and pray that God will bring to life in the near future.







# MEET LEONA

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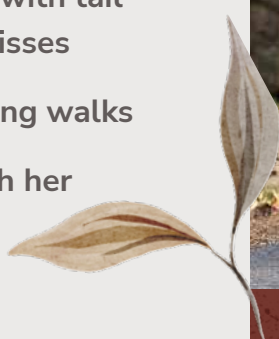
Leona in the backyard with her toy collection

Leona is a very special part of our lives. She is little Pekingese with a spunky and playful personality.



Leona enjoying a bouquet of lilies on our back deck

## Some of her favorite things are:

- Naps and cuddles on the couch
  - Greeting her family and guests with tail wags and kisses
  - Daily morning walks
  - Playing with her many toys
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Anniversary trip to the Sight and Sound Theatre in Branson, MO



Bicycle riding at Petit Jean State Park in Arkansas



Day trip hiking and swimming at Tanyard Creek, Bella Vista, AR

## OUR CORE VALUES

that are important to us and we hope to share with our child:

- Love God and people
- Show kindness in our actions
- Give thanks for many blessings
- Make an eternal difference
- Be discerning
- Enjoy life
- Choose joy in the day

## ADOPTION IN OUR LIVES

**Finding that we are unable to have children of our own set us on a path to adoption.**

It has been one guided by hope and a deep commitment to providing a nurturing and supportive home for a child. Our lives have been touched by adoption in many of our family and friend circles. It has gifted us with a valuable

perspective of the beautiful and unique ways families are woven together. Will's sister and her husband adopted their amazing daughter from foster care. Beth's brother and his wife are currently in the process of becoming foster parents. We have had the opportunity to visit and hear stories from multiple families at our church who have adopted, are adopted, or have placed a child for adoption.





# ON OPEN ADOPTION



**We believe being a parent and sharing life with a child is a tremendous blessing from God.**

We want to honor, celebrate, and share with those whose decision would allow us the opportunity to realize our dreams. With respect and love we want to listen and learn your thoughts for desired

connection and build a relationship with openness of spirit and heart. We envision keeping in touch by planning visits, and sharing updates by letters and pictures. Our child's adoption story will be cherished and shared from the moment they arrive in our home. We are committed to fostering an environment where they will know their special journey and the love from those who are such a significant part of their lives.





# FAMILY INFORMATION




## Father's name: Will

- Occupation: HVAC Contractor
- Education: College Graduate
- Religion: Christian
- Date of birth: 12/22/1985
- Hair color: Blonde/Brown
- Eye color: Blue
- Height: 6'



## Mother's name: Elizabeth (Beth)

- Occupation: Graphic Artist
  - Education: College Graduate
  - Religion: Christian
  - Date of birth: 11/14/1984
  - Hair color: Dark Brown
  - Eye color: Hazel
  - Height: 5'4"
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**Date of marriage:** October 8, 2011

**Children:** No Children

**Interests and hobbies:** **Will:** Hunting, fishing, golfing, hockey games, baseball games, watching football, working on projects around the house and social events. **Beth:** Drawing, painting, crafting, making pottery, and reading. **Will & Beth Shared Interests:** Faith and family, lifestyles that promote healthy mind and body, animals, hiking, kayaking, camping, swimming at the creek, music, trips to the movies, concerts, and water parks.

**Home:** Our house sits in a quiet wooded area just on the edge of town. Neighbors include families of both young and older couples who we have come to know over the years as kind and courteous. Our home is very spacious with three bedrooms, a walk-out basement, two car garage, and detached shop/pottery studio. Will's family live minutes away. Beth's family live a few hours distance but remain close with frequent visits. It's a place where fun memories are made and where the blessings of family are celebrated.

**Pets:** We have one pet, our little dog Leona. She is a Pekingese with a playful and affectionate personality.

**Why are you interested in building your family through adoption?** We are unable to have children of our own biologically, but we knew we still wanted to raise a family together. After much prayer, thought, and looking at different paths we decided to pursue infant adoption.

## Openness to birthparent(s):

We are grateful for the faith that you will be placing in us as you entrust us with the incredible role of parent for your little one. It is a trust that we will not take lightly, but cherish as we strive to provide our child with a loving and nurturing home filled with opportunities to thrive. We believe that openness in adoption can provide a child with such a valuable foundation. We wish to listen and learn your thoughts for desired connection and keep our hearts open and child-focused. We envision a continual connection in which you will have peace of mind to know how your child is doing as they grow, and they will know how great they are loved by those who are such a significant part of their lives.

**Childcare plans:** Our plans are for Beth to be a stay-at-home mom with the baby (which she is looking forward to with much hope and joy). We have a large master bedroom in which we can set up needed furniture for the baby to be near for the first few months. Next to the master bedroom we have a spacious room that will be the nursery as they grow. We both have family that live in town or within an hour drive from us that are ready to be a part of our support system, provide assistance, and give love to a new family member.



OUR

# FAMILY COMMITMENTS AS PARENTS:

- Teach and model sound Christian values
- Provide an environment for healthy mind and body
- Keep an open and honest conversation about their special and unique history
- Provide opportunities for quality education
- Nurture and encourage their individual talents and interests

*Thank you*

for letting us share  
our story with you and  
allowing us to introduce  
our family. We would  
love to meet and get to  
know you as well.



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