



*Martha*



***Who am I? I am a daughter, sister, aunt, friend, and hopefully someday—a mom. I believe in kindness, compassion, manners, leaps of faith, happiness, and miracles.***

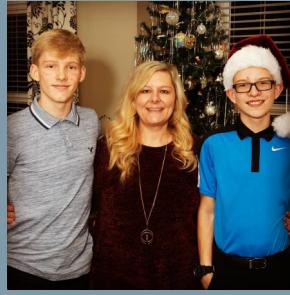
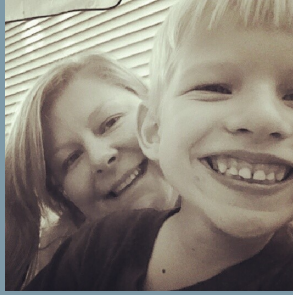
# Hello

Hi! I'm Martha and I am honored and thankful you have given me the opportunity to share my story with you. I admire the unconditional love you have for your child and the courage within you to consider adoption. I have tremendous love and respect for your journey, and I hope my profile gives you a sense of who I am and the lifetime of unconditional love I would provide to your child.





People say it takes a village to raise a child and I am lucky to have a close-knit family and a community of friends that support my adoption journey. My immediate family includes my mom, my brother, my sister-in-law and my two nephews. Unfortunately, my dad passed away in 2006 from ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease).



My nephews are my most favorite people on earth. My nephew Jordan, age 18, is a senior in high school. I cannot believe he is 18 and going to start college this coming fall. He was the first baby I fell in love with. I had the joy of watching him grow into such an amazing human being. My other nephew, Lucas, is 14 and is passionate about Boy Scouts and music. Cooking is a passion for him as well. You will often find him in the kitchen coming up with creative new dishes for us to enjoy. I am very active in their lives. I attend their school activities and we enjoy all sorts of fun stuff together like baking, traveling, watching movies, playing board games and getting out on the water.



Part of my village includes my non-biological family. My parents came to this country as immigrants from Poland. They came here without their biological families and built their own family with the other Polish immigrants in the area. I grew up with my parents' friends as my "aunts" and "uncles," and their children were my "cousins." The Polish community in Cleveland was my family. I am still close with my Godparents and my parents' best friends. They have been a part of all my major life events.



The last of my village, but not least, includes my friends. From my best friend from childhood, high school, and the friends I have made as an adult. I have quality friends. I know I can depend on them and they can depend on me. My favorite things to do with my friends is just simply hanging out – preferably on my back deck when the weather cooperates. We also like to attend concerts together, see live plays at the theater, travel, kayak and go hiking.



I hold a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy from The University of Toledo. In 2018 I decided to go back to school for my doctorate degree. I graduated in May 2021, with my Doctor of Pharmacy degree, from Shenandoah University. I am a clinical pharmacist and work for a medical insurance company that I have been with for over 11 years.





I grew up in the suburbs of Cleveland and currently live in a southwest suburb of Cleveland, in a quaint 2-bedroom ranch home. It is homey and I love it. I had it built in 2004, and all these years later, I still love coming home. My street is quiet with great neighbors. My community is small and family-friendly, with the convenience of bigger cities very nearby. Our local schools are highly rated in the state of Ohio.

## FAVORITES

### **Favorite vacation spot:**

Stateside: Clearwater Beach, Florida; St Pete Beach, Florida; Ocean City, Maryland; Nashville, Tennessee; and Gatlinburg, Tennessee

Abroad: Poland, Paris, Amsterdam, Costa Rica

**Favorite children's books growing up:** Any Golden Book: The Monster at the End of This Book; The Pokey Little Puppy; Amelia Bedelia books; Ramona Books by Beverly Cleary

**Favorite Author:** Mary Higgins Clark

**Favorite hobbies:** Traveling, kayaking, paddleboarding, going to the theatre to see plays and musicals, hiking, baking, going to concerts, listening to live music, live sporting events

**Favorite flower:** Gerbera daisy

**Favorite color:** Blue

**Favorite color to wear:** Red, yellow (but not together!)

**Favorite subject in school:** History

**Favorite music:** all kinds! Country, Pop, Rock, boy bands (don't judge!)

**Favorite musician:** Gavin DeGraw

**Favorite exercise:** Boxing!

**Favorite TV show:** Beverly Hills 90210 and Friends!

**Favorite animal:** domestic- cats; big animal - elephants



**THANK YOU** for taking the time to get to know me.

I hope I get to know you!

I am grateful for the opportunity to be a part of your journey.



**WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONNECTING WITH YOU**

If you have any questions for us or would like to speak with us about adopting your child, please contact your case worker at

Open Arms Adoptions by calling 330-697-4751 or 614-349-1510