

We Love Kids!



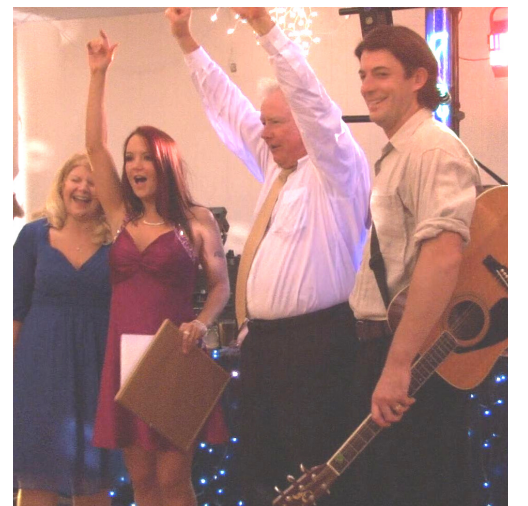
& They Love US!

Journey to Mother-hood

She always felt different than other kids yet was proud of her differences that made her unique.

No other kid seem to have the same drive, ambition and entrepreneurial spirit she did. But confusing emotions of pain, frustration, anger and elation would occur in situations where no one else seemed to relate. With her heart on her sleeve she felt pain seeing bullies pick on the weak so she fought those underdog's battles for them with her slick tongue and took them them under her wing. She also found staying active & athletic was a great release. The value of being an advocate and protecting those who can't protect themselves is a trait she helps instill in the many yougins' in her life.

A born leader and entrepreneur by the age 11, she launched her 1st 'company' babysitting, offering A+ service like requiring her 'employees' to get certified through the local babysitting course she had. Ethics, accountability, responsibility and quality run deep in every aspect of her life. Passionate in writing & producing music and video, she taught herself how to hook up the video camera, karaoke machine, mic, VCR and TV to create productions at the age of 8. By age 13 she had written, directed and starred in 2 of her own musicals after acting in local theater. This creativity was the passion that lead her to turn her poetry and diaries into rap at age 18. At 21 she launched her 1st LLC, an entertainment LLC that included a recording studio, cable TV show and Internet radio station, she also appeared on major TV networks and radio stations as well.





By her teenage years those unexplained roller-coaster of emotions she dealt with created her to live recklessly but at age 18 she was diagnosed with bipolar and ADD and treated. For the first time in her life she felt what 'normal' felt like and couldn't believe how un-complicated life suddenly became and all her irrational emotions finally made sense. Ever since, she's been self-aware and stable and maintains her treatment through daily medication and quarterly Dr check-ins. She's grateful for the chemical imbalances because she has strong insight in recognizing those traits in others & helps get the treatment they need.

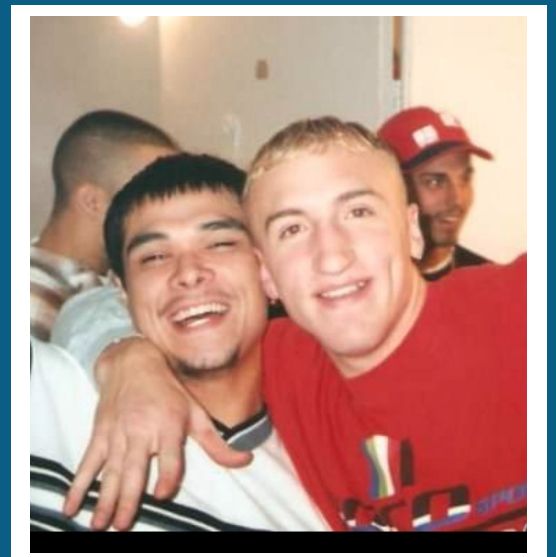
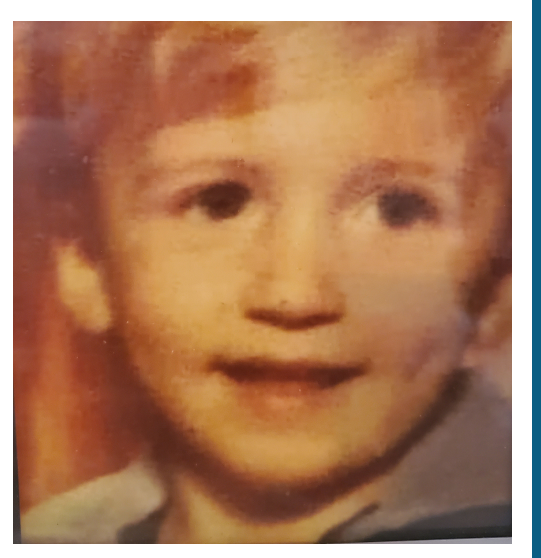


Aside from her disorders, her parents, brother and extended family was as good as it gets growing up. The importance of traveling and visiting friends & family instilled the value of bonding through moments and memories while seeing the world. She will carry these traditions with her own kids. She has so much experience with kids from babysitting, working in a kindergarten, a youth instructor in a church group doing mission work and an launching after school digital production program with local organizations. She placed them on radio, TV and movies where they got to walk the red carpet as well. At age 25 she began investing in real estate and at 32 she added a career as a Realtor as well. The journey to find her husband did not come easy as work did though. She'd never dated a man she didn't want to change and didn't want to be with a man she felt she needed to change. Her list of requirements was so long everyone told her to cut it down; she'd never find perfect. But her faith in GOD not allowing her to settle was too strong. At 35, a year after going on dating apps and 61 1st dates with the wrong guys, she finally found him. He match all of her list but also had so many other amazing qualities she hadn't even realized she wanted or needed!



Journey to father-hood

He grew up loving his parents, 2 younger sisters, lots of cousins, aunts, uncles, grandparents, and step-parents and valued their get-togethers so he always wanted to have a big family of his own one day. He loved sports and played since he was 5. Although he had such a close relationship with his parents, they didn't seem to understand the importance of sports in his life. He vowed that when he had kids he would always make time to play with them and teach them. He did learn the importance of taking initiative, self-teaching and practice while playing on his own. But after caving his fence in to the neighbor's side from using it as a catcher when he pitched, his parents finally enrolled him in sports. This would play such an important part of his happiness throughout his life. His talent led him to become a semi-pro baseball player but by the age of 20, hanging out with his friends and dating girls overtook the discipline he needed to stay successful in baseball. He later wished he had been more responsible but realized how young minds can lose focus and as a Dad he's hoping to teach his kids the importance of staying focused in whatever goals they want to achieve in their lives.





Over the years he worked in his fathers car detail shop, a home improvement company where he honed his repair and renovation skills and did low voltage electric. After working for a company laying floors, he ventured out on his own and launched his own flooring company. He'd work 10-14 hours a day and due to his work ethic, grind and extreme drive was very successful. During the 8th year in business, the housing crisis hit and the market for new floors became too small to sustain. So he had to shut down his company but found a position as a plumbing apprentice. He didn't know at the time but this would become his passion which he'd go to school for and get all the certifications and licenses needed to one day be able to work for himself which later would become a reality. By his late 30s working round the clock, he no longer had much time to date and had been in multiple relationships where he didn't feel like he was getting the love he deserved. But he was eager to find his wife. So he took a couple years off from dating but would browse dating apps to see who was out there. And one day, there she was...

OUR STORY



He is Dan Shipley, she is his wife Amotion



In Dannys words...

When I first saw her, she was even prettier than her pictures. In talking to her I could tell she was a boss about her business, hard working, determined, smart, loving and a Baltimore Ravens fan like me. She was honest and open and I could feel her big heart from the stories of her dog rescues, volunteering and even how she tried to become a foster parent for high school kids when she mentored them (her ex got cold feet and pulled out when they got accepted). There

was only one issue...



In Amotion's words...

The second I laid eyes on him, I was attracted and hadn't been with the other dates. His swag, style and the way he carried himself was what the man of my dreams looked like in my dreams. Through our 3-hour dinner and the last people to leave the restaurant, I learned all about his life; the good and bad of his past and his family. We share the same goals in entrepreneurship and dreams of having a family. He was passionate when he spoke, strong & secure, and the stories he described from helping raise his nieces when they lived with him was exactly how I pictures my husband loving and guiding our future kids. He was perfect except...





...We both wanted kids but Amotion wanted to foster to adopt or have a surrogate because the negative aspects of pregnancy (hormones, sickness, potential post-partum) was not something conducive for her lifestyle. But Danny was so passionate about wanting his wife to carry to rub her belly and feet, be at all the doctors appointments and take care of her when she felt ill; to experience the entire process together. So after being so certain and stubborn her entire life that she wouldn't carry, Amotion changed her mind knowing she'd be in a great care taker's hands. She knew she met her husband that 1st date and wrote it in her diary. So when we talked about marriage within 3 weeks and he proposed within 3 months, she already knew that was coming and was ecstatic to say yes. Ironically, it turns out Dannels method of proposal (a bottle with a note 'washed up on the beach') was the same way Amotions Dad presented her moms anniversary gift and have been together, 50 years!

5 Of Our Values...

1. Our Marriage

*2. Staying Close to
Friends & Family*

*3. Balance: Play As
Hard As We Work*

4. Laughter

5. Traveling

But it took 2 years of un-successfully trying to conceive including 5 failed invitro attempts too realize, GOD wanted us to adopt. We're a very fun couple and with all our friends kids (our nieces, nephews and Godkids) all the time and love them like our own. They call our house 'the fun house'. Neighborhood kids even come by to play with our dogs, games with us or 'workout' We can't picture our lives without kids in it and are grateful to have so many. But our friends are as eager as us for us to have kids; saying they want to spoil ours like we spoil theirs!

We've already adopted... Our Four Legged Family Members!



Chulo

Diggy

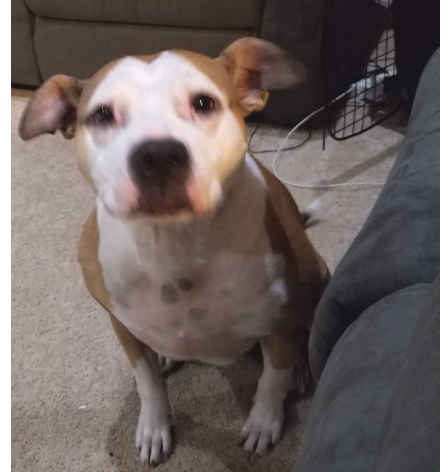
Shima



Chulo is our ham, the 'class clown' of the siblings. He's basically a cartoon character with many hilarious videos that display this. His favorite thing in the world is people, attention and belly rubs



Diggy is the 7lbs Lil Man who thinks he runs his brother & sister. He's almost fully blind and half deaf so we can't blame him for making up his own reality!



Shima is our free alarm system who scares strangers in the window. But as soon as we let someone in, she's all kisses & love. She loves to play with Chulo & get the 'zoomies'

Everybody Loves Our Furbabies and Our Furbabies Love The Kids!



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Home Sweet Home



WE LIVE IN THE BALTIMORE SUBURB OF GLEN BURNIE MARYLAND AND AM STILL CUSTOMIZING OUR DREAM HOME. OUR CUDDLESAC IS MIXED-RACE AND MULTI-CULTURAL, JUST LIKE THE ENTIRE AREA.

WE HAVE 4 BEDROOMS, 4 BATHROOMS, A POOL TABLE & PING PONG GAME ROOM, DINNING ROOM WE HAVE BIG FRIENDS/FAMILY GATHERINGS, WORKOUT ROOM THE KIDS LOVE, LOWER LEVEL BONUS ROOM 'THE RAVENS ROOM' AND A BACKYARD OASIS WITH A NEW POOL WE BUILT AND ARE STILL CUSTOMIZING THE REST!

End of cul-de-sac



Family room



Kitchen

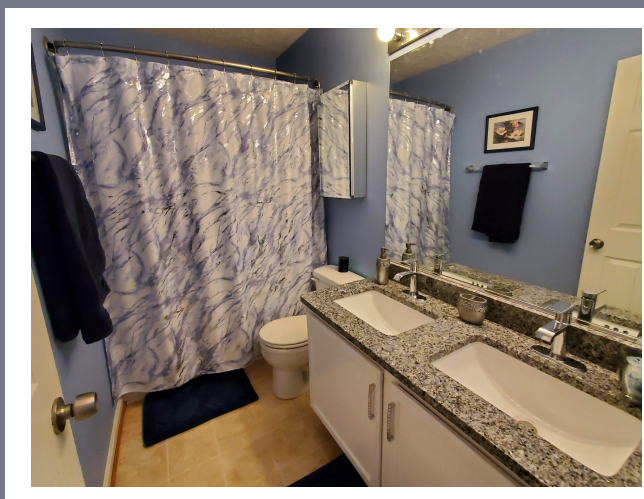




Dining Room/s



GUEST ROOM/FUTURE CHILDS ROOM



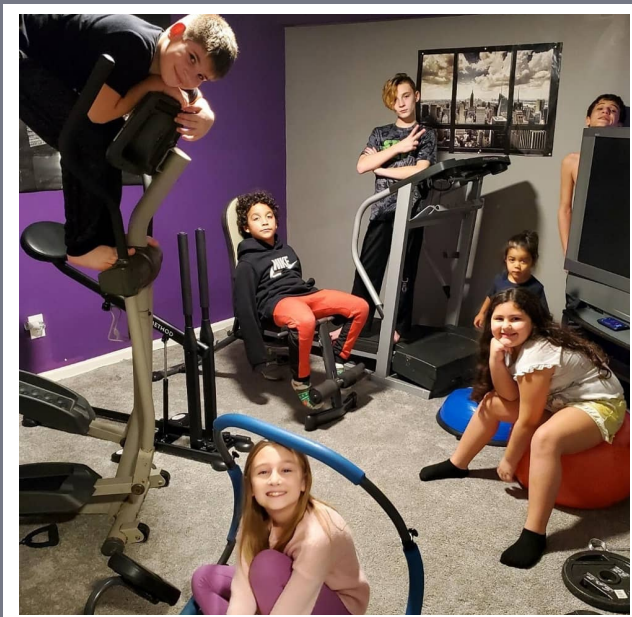
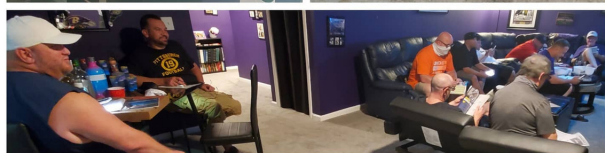
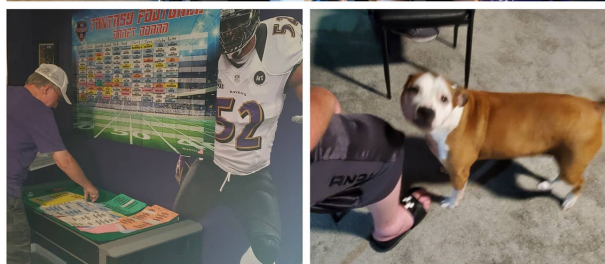
Kids Bathroom



Master Bedroom



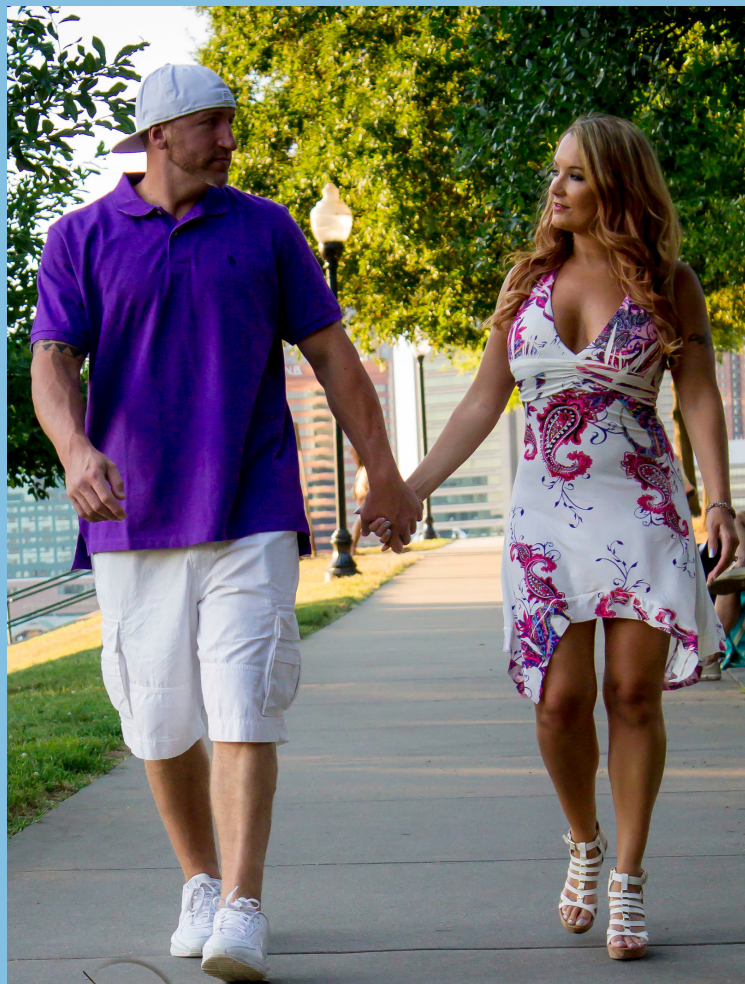
Fun Rooms



Our Back Yard Oasis



Our Hot Tub Time Time Machine (You lose track of time when it it :)



Community

Danny has lived his whole life in the Baltimore area. Amotion lived her childhood years in Lousiana, Indiana and Massachusetts but her adult life has been in Baltimore. We moved 20 minutes out of the city to the suburb of Glen Burnie when we got married and bought our dream house. Everything we need within 5 minutes, yet suburban and safe. We bike to the B&A trail that leads all the way from Annapolis to Baltimore. Our best friends have a house on the water 3 minutes away with a beach and the airport is only 15 minutes away when we hop on flights. DC is 45 minutes away and New York, where we have family and go often is a 3.5 hr bus ride away . This is our forever home where our children will be raised until we're elderly and can no longer have stairs. We have kids here and stay over all the time but we can't wait for the daily chaos and joy to come with our own children!

Town Square Ice Rink



Elementary school, walking distance



Freetown Park

The kids favorite Park, across from our cuddlesac



Family we adopted ourselves into

We are not related to our closest family members by DNA, but by bond. These are the people our kids will be with daily or weekly as we are with them and their families. We both came with a huge group of co-ed friends and their kids and now they have combined! Their kids call our house their favorite, it's the 'fun house'.

What started as Amotions side...



And what started as Danny's Side...



Now Both sides have combined!

Birth Family, Dan's Side



Annual October Camping Trip



Christmas At Mom's



When Pop lived with us



Family Reunion in Ocean City

★ ★
★ Dan grew up with his mother, stepdad and 2 sisters. He was with his father often too and though divorced, his mom and dad have a great relationship so Pop's is at all the family gatherings and celebrations. His older sister, Jen will be our child's Godmother, she also had issues getting pregnant. His younger sister Lori has 2 teenage daughters and a son in elementary school.

The family is very close, and all live within a half hour of each other so get together weekly or monthly. ★ ★

Birth Family, Mo's Side



Christmas Visits



Zoom Visits



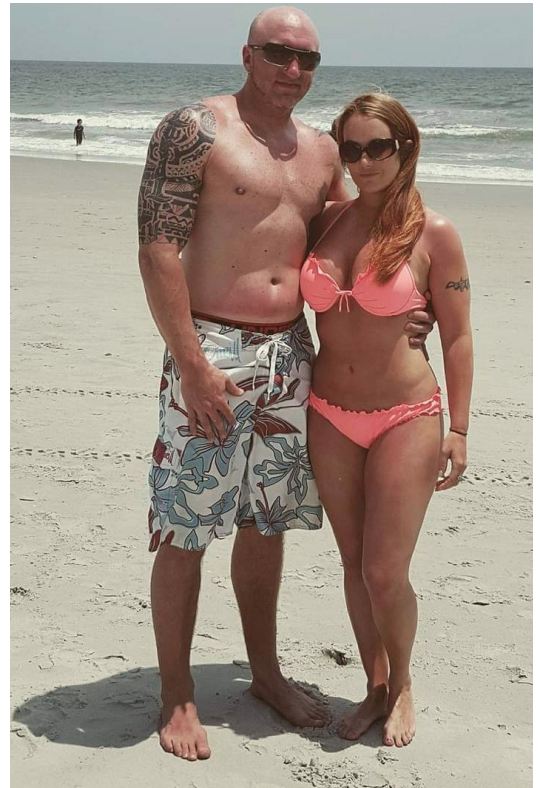
☆☆ Annual 4th of July Family Reunion in Ohio

'MoMo', as the fam calls her, grew up with her mother, father and brother who's Dans age (4 years older). Her parents live in South Carolina & bro Jason, wife Magritte & kids Sasha (13) & Cooper (10) live in Pennsylvania. The extended family live all over the country whom we love to visit throughout the year.



The best blessing of our life is the balance and flexibility we're able to have working for ourselves. A normal month will include a girls night, many days/nights/sleepovers with our family/ friends/neighbors & Godkids.

We love being active, traveling and hosting home gatherings playing board games, cards, fire pits enjoying our hot tub & pool, wave-running at our friends beach, walking the dogs, taking the kids to the park, tennis, skiing/snowboarding and more.



We love traveling to different beaches to find where we will buy a beach house when we have kids.



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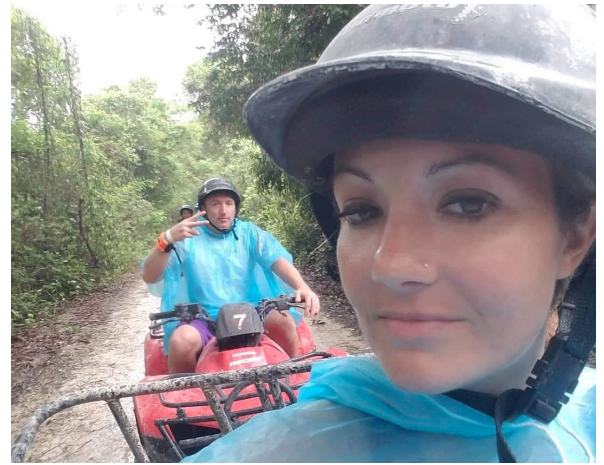


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So far our favorite is Fort Meyers Florida!



Family Nights



4 wheelers in Mexico



We go to many concerts



We love bowling

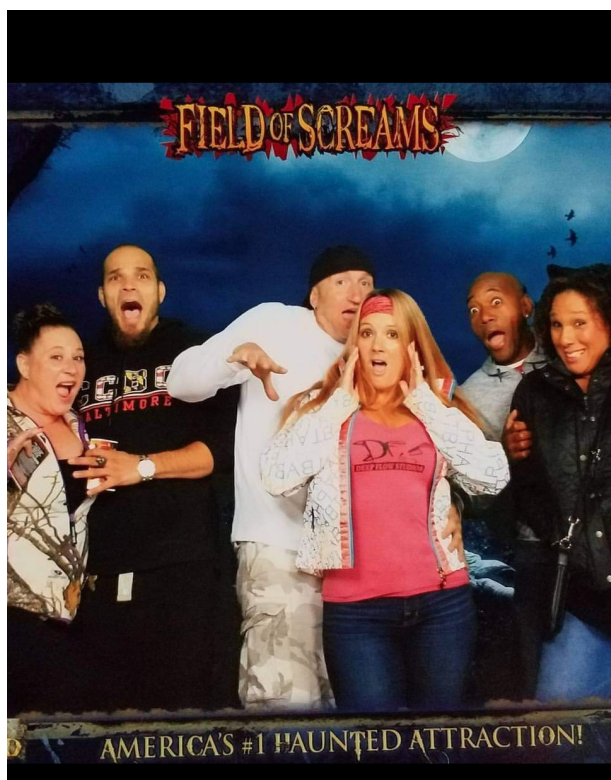


Annual Christmas Tree Search



Cruising The Caribbean

Ravens Games, We Own Seats With Friends



Going to Haunted Houses



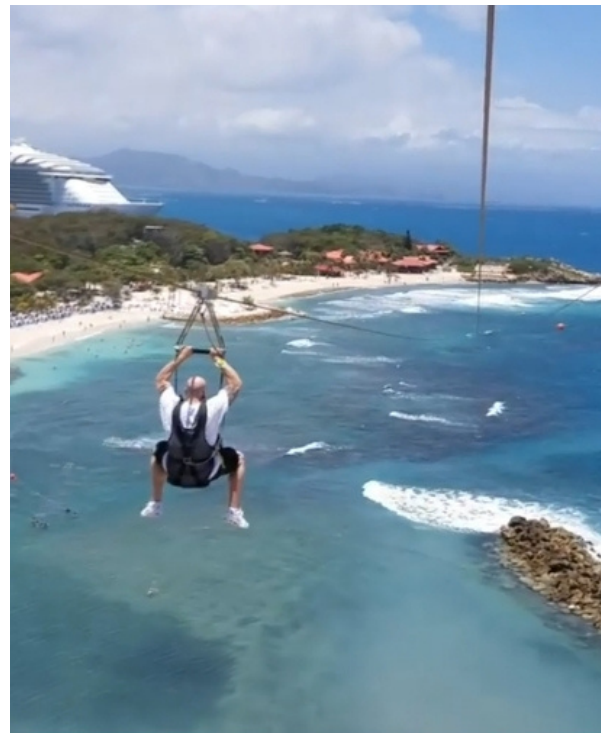
Annual Halloween Box Maze
at The Shipleys



Orioles games (we're in the back)



We Love Mini Golf

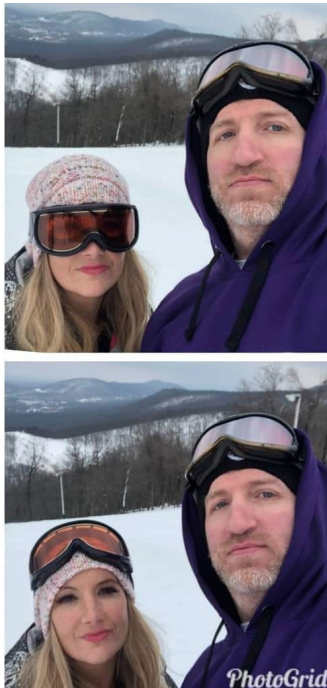
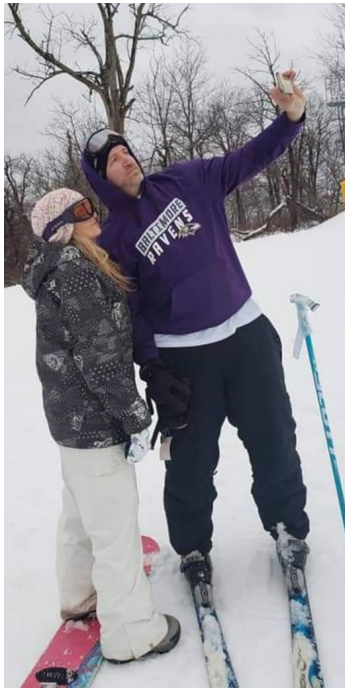


Zipline in Hati

Snowboarding & Skiing Every Winter



Day trips, Pennsylvania, just a couple hours away

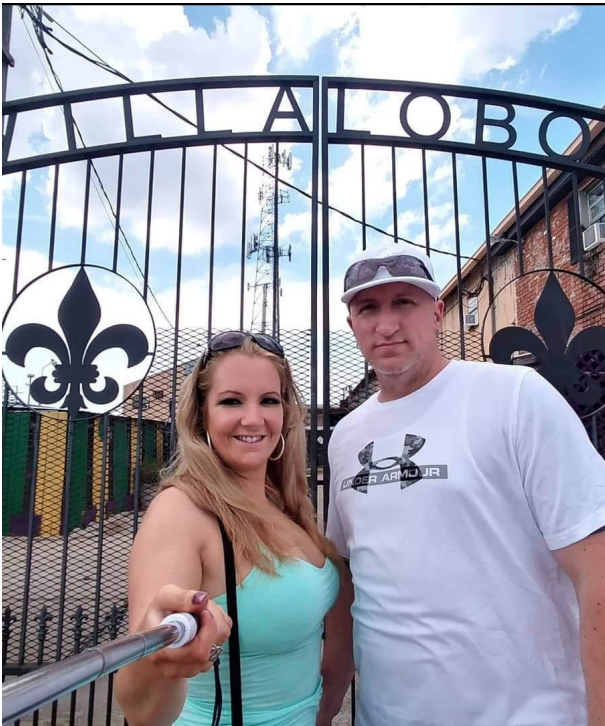


**Dan Skis,
Mo Snowboards**

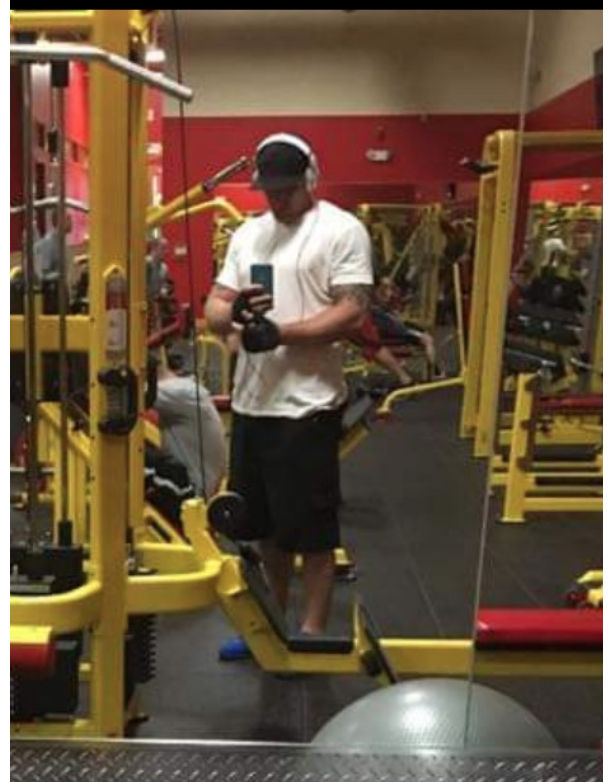


**Week Trips Out West,
with Mo's cousins**

Relaxing on the beach visiting Mo's parents in South Carolina



**Villalobos Dog Rescue in
New Orleans**



Gym time



Jet skiing in Florida



Theme Parties



Snow mobiling in Colorado

...And a lot more *fun*



At home & Traveling



Our Promise

To you and your baby we promise

- *To provide unconditional love, and ensure everyday they know how special they are.*
- *To share in traditions and pass on core values to help them be a good human being.*
- *To encourage them to live a life full of adventure, laughter and play.*
- *To educate, grow and nurture them to reach for the stars.*
- *To respect and embrace their history, culture and individuality and introduce them to all of ours.*
- *To help them understand the difficult decision you had to make.*

We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your consideration. A child is an extraordinary gift, one in which we would be eternally grateful for.

*Thank
you!*