Emit, Jayme & Larkin

Our Lives

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We live on a relatively large ranch where we take great pride in being a family-oriented operation. We have been in the horse and cattle business for four generations. Worshiping God, spending time with family, and caring for livestock are the most important aspects of our lives. Ranch life allows us the opportunity to work with God's creation while having the flexibility to find those teachable moments with our daughter.

We started building our ranch and home two weeks after we got married—first planting trees, then building a barn and corral. Next came the house. Emit purchased the homestead when he was a young teenager; he has always been very ambitious and hard-working.





"We always turned to each other and to God for the strength." Early in our marriage, we experienced some physically and mentally exhausting times, but we always turned to each other and to God for the strength we needed. We were drawn to each other by our shared love of the outdoors, especially horses and cattle. Emit has excelled in rodeo at the college, amateur, and professional levels. Jayme has enjoyed supporting him along the way and has competed in some barrel races of her own. Rodeo used to be a large part of our life and business, including selling horses and cattle. However, now with our adorable daughter Larkin, we have slowed down.

We were blessed with the opportunity to adopt our daughter from friends—unexpectedly but beautifully. Our adoption story may be a little different than most, but we truly feel we've gained more family members. While work is important, so is time well spent with family and friends. We now make more time for camping, fishing, and grilling over the firepit. Emit and I also enjoy hosting families for supper, playing board games and cornhole, and just visiting.





Emit is a hard-working rancher but always finds time to spend with Jayme and Larkin. You might find our family checking cows together, haying, or doing chores—but no matter what it is, Emit and Jayme make the work seem like fun. Jayme was an Early Childhood Special Education teacher for almost fifteen years. With encouragement from Emit, she became a stay-at-home mom—a role she jumped at—and we are loving every moment of it.

She is also a devoted rancher's wife.

He is a hard-working rancher.



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y wife is a unique individual with many qualities that are rare nowadays. Besides being kind, loving, and resourceful, she is an amazing cook who makes most of our meals from scratch. Nearly everything we eat is homegrown—from the garden to the beef.

She loves gardening, working with the horses and cattle, and is an incredible mother to our daughter. At just two years old, our daughter already knows most of her colors, can count to five, speak in complete sentences, have conversations with Daddy on the phone, identify shapes, and is learning to swim—all because Jayme takes the time to teach her. Larkin also loves learning, thanks to the way Jayme teaches.









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y husband and I met the summer before my senior year. He was a very handsome, confident cowboy. Within five minutes of meeting me—and my parents—he said he was going to marry me someday. Twenty years later, I'm still in love with my hardworking rancher. He's kindhearted, tells the best dad jokes, is a wonderful spiritual example, and is the best father a child could ask for.

I always had very high standards when looking for a husband, having had an outstanding father myself—and Emit has completely fulfilled my expectations.







Larkin

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Lilly, helping Mom in the garden, helping Dad fix things, or taking care of the bottle calves with Mom.

She enjoys getting dirty on the ranch but also loves to play dress-up. Sometimes, you might even find her in the barn wearing a play dress and barn boots. Larkin is funny, loves helping her parents with anything, is growing more independent, and is very soft-hearted and kind. She is wellbehaved, has good manners, and enjoys learning about everything.





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Family & Friends

















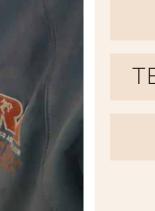














HARD-WORKING

KIND-HEARTED

FUNNY

SUPPORTIVE

TEACHER / COACH

ORGANIZED





SUPPORTIVE

GREAT COOK

FUNNY

POSITIVE

WELCOMING

INCREDIBLE MOM

Thoughts on Adoption



Our belief is that adoption is a shared journey. We will always be a part of each other's lives, and we value honesty and openness throughout the process.

Adoption is first and foremost about the child—but it's also about helping the birth parents feel peace and comfort in their decision, knowing their child will be given the best possible love, care, and life.

There are many emotions that both parties may go through—now and in the future. Not everyone experiences these emotions the same way, so we strive to be as understanding and supportive as possible.

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What We Hope to Offer



We will offer a safe, secure, and loving home with many acres to explore and play on. Their sister, Larkin, will love showing them around. We'll find teachable moments to guide them along the right path and help them make wise choices.

Family is very important to us. We have grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins who live nearby and are ready to help when needed and to join in celebrating the good times and supporting through the hard times.

Even the family members who live a little farther away are great about FaceTiming, visiting, or meeting halfway. We also have an annual weeklong family camping reunion, so there will be lots of opportunities to enjoy the outdoors with family and friends.





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