



# STC 2007 BIO

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I was born in Florida while my father was attending Bible College, but most of my childhood was spent in south Georgia where he pastored. We moved several times within South Georgia, and ended up at Waycross, Georgia.

I met my husband Gene when I was in 9th grade. (We were in band together.) Our first date was his senior prom! (I was a sophomore.) He joined the Air Force in the hope of seeing the world...and got stationed an hour and a half from home! That's when I suspected God was up to something! We continued to date during my last two years of high school and two years of college. We planned to get married after I graduated from college, but then Gene got orders to Germany. That changed things in a hurry!

We got married on May 20, 1989, and he flew to Germany one week later. I followed about six weeks later (after he got me added to his orders!), so Germany was our first home together. We spent four years there, and Cassandra was born a few months before we left to return to the States. We moved to Fayetteville, North Carolina, and bought a house because nobody got orders out of there. Eighteen months later, Gene received orders to go to Korea, a one-year assignment where we could not go with him. That was a rough year! Cassandra was three (and horrible). During that year I sold our house, moved into an apartment, had Ethan, bought a van, and had all of our things packed up for our next move.

When Gene got back from Korea, we visited with family for a few weeks then headed back to Germany. We lived there for six years! That's "home" to our kids in many ways. Cassandra went to kindergarten on base, but then God called us to homeschool. That was certainly NEVER in our plans! What a blessing, though! We were able to travel all over western Europe while studying world history! It doesn't get much better than that! We moved to South Carolina in December 2002 and lived there until January 2007. God blessed us with good friends and an awesome church there. This was also the closest we had lived to family since we got married. Gene was stationed in Korea for all of 2006, but the kids and I had to stay in South Carolina. We've just moved--all four of us!--to RAF Lakenheath, England, and we're excited to be back in Europe!

Our daughter Cassandra is 14 and loves animals and arts and crafts. She is quite the artist. Her specialties include creating figures from Sculpey (modeling clay), doing beautiful watercolor paintings (takes lessons from a local artist), and designing clothes for her stuffed animals! Ethan is 11 and loves anything with an engine. He's just as mechanical as his daddy. (Gene is an F-16 mechanic.) Ethan loves to play with Legos and watch the History Channel. He also enjoys Boy Scouts and getting very dirty.

My most favorite things to do: lie on the couch, read a good book, and drink a big glass of sweet iced tea! I also enjoy cooking/baking, rubber stamping, and playing card games. I'm not a big outdoorsy person, but I do like camping with my family. Gene and I love to travel (the kids do, too), and we're huge NASCAR fans. We're looking forward to the next few years as we explore the UK and as much of Europe as we can possibly see!

