

## A little bit about Monica

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Sooo, a little history about me. My Alaskan adventure started two days after Christmas when I landed in Bethel as a travel nurse in 1997. Just coming from the USVI, I was quite surprised! I met my husband Heath with the first month of living in Bethel and have been married for almost ten years. We have two beautiful daughters, Savannah is eight and Ella is five. The cost of living in Bethel is astronomical, so we moved to Palmer in 2007, and am thrilled with my life.

Some interesting facts about me... I was a hairdresser for many years. I have won the Florida state lottery. I have a brother Jesse that works in the movie business and lives in Los Angels.

In my younger years I lived in Tombstone Arizona, northern Idaho, but spent my teenage years as a

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So now I spend my days working very part time, volunteering extra hours fundraising for our small school, the March of Dimes, and most recently Blessings in a Backpack. I love the satisfaction I get from helping others.

I love to cook, almost as much as I love to go out to dine. I just returned from Key West yesterday and was comfortably adventurous with ordering on this trip and tasted some mighty delicious seafood including Hogfish, Grouper, Stone Crab, Blue crab, and also gator tail! I also tried the world famous key lime pie on a stick which was dipped in dark chocolate, it lived up to its popularity for sure.

Summer, well it just doesn't get hot enough in Alaska for this Florida-girl-at-heart so I usually head out of state to seek the hottest sand and the calmest ocean I can find with my two favorite girls!

Well that about sums up my life and on this last trip that my new goal is to add more of what makes me happy.

