

*Stepmoms.* As soon as people hear the word, their minds go straight to Cinderella. They think mean, greedy, selfish. On the contrary, my stepmom is one of the most selfless people I know and one of the most enjoyable people to be around. She always makes me laugh and cheers me up when I'm sad. My stepmom is the best I could ever ask for. Stephanie inspires me every time I'm with her.

I don't have a big moment to share. It's all the little moments that make her special.

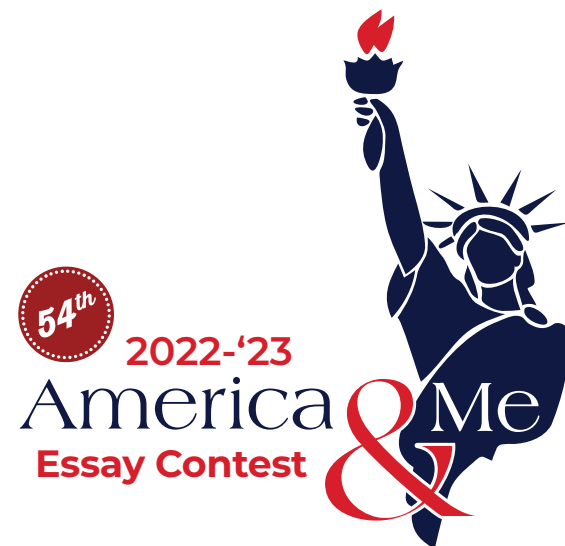
She's shown horses since she was little. One time she had a baby horse whose mom had passed. She had to bottle-feed Brookie, and Brookie is still living today. During the day she would feed her, but at night her parents had to because of school. This took a lot of effort for her and her parents. She inspires me with everything she does with horses.

I have a horse at her house. She has helped me grow into an amazing rider. She always puts effort into me and my horses. Recently, I got a new horse. He is a bay with a white snip and a white pastern. He is very new to showing, and it's been really tough training a horse by myself. But she has always been there to support me and help me learn with my horse. She has helped me teach him how to slow down, how to make him collect, to pivot, to go over obstacles, and she has helped me get him ready for shows. She is also an amazing rider. My stepmom has trained some of her horses. She's done incredible things like jumping, reining, and competitive trail. I really hope to accomplish things like that with my horse.

I enjoy laughing about things with her. One thing we laugh about is current fashion. She thinks that it is a bit silly. So, every time I wear something trendy, she thinks it's hilarious. Every time she sees them in stores, she always points them out to me so we can laugh about them. She says stuff about it so much that now her friend laughs about it too.

We enjoy many other things as well, such as getting White Lake Nutrition Tea, going thrift shopping, going to horse stores, and horse shows. When we go thrift shopping, we buy random things for fun. We go places together whenever we can. I really enjoy spending time with her because we always do something fun, whether it's something big or something little.

My stepmom is one of a kind and continues to inspire me every day. She is not a Cinderella stepmom stereotype. My stepmom is amazing, and I could have never asked for a better stepmom. I hope she knows how much I appreciate her.



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