

A photograph of a stone archway made of stacked, irregular stones in shades of tan, brown, and grey. The archway frames a view of green pine trees against a bright, slightly hazy sky. The overall tone is warm and natural.

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# *Lifestyle*



Dr. Mark Bush with his family and their 2 dogs- Smokey and Colt

# Family Focus

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## MEET THE BUSH FAMILY

*“So, who’s the worst skier?”*

Giggles erupt as Dr. Mark Bush, wife Christine, son Cameron, and daughter Alexis consider the answer. With homes in Keystone and Lionshead, one can assume they know who owns the slopes, but they are not saying.

It’s a wonder this family has time for skiing, let alone to sit down for dinner together, but they do. Cameron and Alexis are a senior and sophomore, respectively, at Denver’s Mullen High School. Between baseball and track and the commute from their home in Golden, there is little downtime. Cameron is a college baseball prospect right in the thick of competitive recruiting. He has visited a couple of schools and plans to have

committed by the time he graduates. Alexis, a longtime dancer, took up track and field this year and runs the 5K. She loves the rhythm of running and the chance to be outdoors.

Mark and Christine are California natives, but the family is firmly planted in Colorado now. The kids have lived here longer than anywhere else and consider the mountains home. “We’ve lived so many places and traveled a lot,” says Christine. “Because of that, the kids are really good at adapting to new situations and making friends.”

Mark and Christine have been married for 25 years. Undergrad sweethearts at Berkeley, they have done many laps around the country and raised two great kids along the way. Christine is the queen of this busy hive, getting kids from A to B, putting dinner on the table, managing the family’s mountain properties, and supporting Mark’s career as a preeminent specialist in the fields of reproductive endocrinology and in-vitro-fertilization.

Dr. Bush is a partner at Conceptions Reproductive Associates. He is board certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology, board certified in Reproductive Endocrinology & Infertility, a Fellow of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, and



Dr. Mark Bush with his wife Christine, daughter, and Son

a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. He practices in numerous local hospitals and the Conceptions offices in Lafayette, Denver, and Littleton.

The Conceptions motto is “Unlocking the Miracle of Life.” When asked about the idea of working miracles for those families who would otherwise be unable to reproduce, Mark is quick to shift the credit to his staff. “We have 65 employees, and the hard work starts at the front desk,” he says. “When someone thanks me for doing what seems like a miracle, their appreciation is for our whole team.”

That’s a humble approach from a man who has revolutionized in vitro fertilization treatments and remained faithful to the Hippocratic Oath he took all those years ago in med school. The thrill of positive outcomes for families drives him forward, and yet it is a challenge to find the balance between work and family. “There are many nights of reading charts and dealing with patient care after hours,” Mark says. “We’re advocates of our patients. Those who don’t have the financial means still deserve the benefits of modern technology and scientific advances. We’re deliberately affordable and flexible with insurance plans for that reason.”

The commitment to medicine, however strong, cannot outshine this family’s tight knit bond. The mutual admiration is evident as they excitedly muse about upcoming vacations, their love of sports (especially hockey), and their two Weimaraners – Smokey and Colt. With Cameron soon to leave the nest and Alexis just two years away from graduation, the Bush family accepts the changes that are around the corner, knowing they will remain close as the kids grow up and move on.

When asked to describe the family in a few words, there is silence for a moment. Dr. Bush finally answers, “Normal but never boring.”

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