



The Story of Us

The Story of Us is a memory book designed to capture a snapshot of your family in photos and memories. Each *Story of Us* album is customized for your family. You provide the pictures and a brief overview of your family history and we compile that information into a beautiful album that will be a family keepsake for now and future generations.

Gathering your photos

We recommend gathering your photos and organizing them in generations and/or categories. A good first step is to draw out your family tree, thinking about the pictures you know are available to you. The book can be organized in generations or family groupings. We will give you a recommendation on this once we take a look at the photos that are available.

Next, make a list of other categories that you would like to include. We like to think in terms of album pages. For example, a page of family homes, cabin photos, the family business, vacations, pets, holidays, etc. Our sample book includes a page each of baby pictures, school pictures and senior pictures of the kids in the family. It's fun to watch them grow up as you turn the pages of the album.

The hardest part of gathering photos is making choices. Keep in mind that *The Story of Us* is meant to tell your family's story versus including every picture.

Lastly...know that we can work with whatever photos you have. So you don't have a picture of that great grandma, no problem. You don't know everyone's birthdates, not an issue. The beauty of this process is that we customize this book just for you, with the information and photos available. We know it might not be perfect. What family is?! But it WILL be amazing!

Gathering you memories

This book is better with memories. It can be a few sentences written by each "kid" remembering their childhood or a full letter describing a family member's life journey. Sometimes families have old letters or writings from earlier generations. Anything like that only enhances the story. There is no wrong way to do it, but the one thing we know is that including memories is very powerful in telling your story.

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