

## Joshua Strong Biography

Joshua Strong is originally from Harrisonville, MO and went to College at Northwest Missouri State University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management and another Bachelor of Science degree in Financial Management. He currently resides in Kearney, MO with his wife Allison and their three daughters. When not spending time with family he runs a successful Edward Jones office in Cameron, MO.

Josh's spirit of advocacy, which led him to the financial planning industry, also led him to do pro bono work for a local women's shelter, where he prides himself on helping people going through difficult financial times, especially those who may not be able to afford it. He remembers his mother, who was a single mother raising 4 children, often needing advice but not knowing to whom to reach out. He also serves as the current president of the Cameron Area Chamber of Commerce, the president of the Cameron Rotary Club, and serves as the financial consultant for the Cameron Community Improvement Fund in conjunction with the Community Foundation of Northwest Missouri. In the past, he was a board member for the North Central Business Facilitation organization, which provides free advice to business start-ups within Northwest Missouri.

Growing up around agriculture, Josh always loved to farm. But after realizing his first love is financial planning, he went to college at the age of 26. Throughout his high school years, he was very involved in rodeo. His main event was steer wrestling but, after a year he also found the exhilaration of bull riding, he quickly started doing both events. After a few major injuries, he eventually decided to stick with farming and ranching. Another fun fact is that he is starting a mowing business at the age of 12 and ended up mowing most yards within the trailer court where his great uncle resided. This lasted for several years up until the time he moved to Maryville, MO. He then ran a painting company through his college career in the summers while farming in the fall, winter, and spring for a large row crop operation.

Josh loves playing one of his many guitars and putting on "concerts" for his daughters, who often love to join in on the microphone. Through high school he played in a band for fun with his Grandpa and Uncle among others. They would play church festivals, rodeos, and county fairs. He enjoys most outdoor activities but especially woodworking, which is one of his main hobbies. He is not afraid to work, but family always comes first!