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She has arrived! ...And we will never be the same again. The little charmer was air-born on Thursday, March 8th at 10:20a.m. in Kingwood, Texas. Brooklynn Ariel Martin weighed 6 lbs 2 ounces and was 19 inches long. Not bad for a preemie that arrived several weeks ahead of schedule. It was a difficult pregnancy and our daughter Amy was on bed- rest with complications. During the delivery an emergency C section was performed, rescuing the lives of both mother and child. They quickly recouped and we thank God for your prayers and the excellent care provided by the Doctors and the caring hospital staff.

Brooklynn has a sweet spirit and a precious smile. She's a keeper! I got a little carried away taking pictures in the hospital nursery and I now have a new nick name "Gran-Paparazzi". Before Brooklynn was born Amy was preoccupied that her miniature mutts would receive proper pampering while she was in the hospital. She was concerned that they would miss her. Carol told her that once the baby came, the dogs would not be very high on her priority list. Amy couldn't believe that her affections could be so drastically reprogrammed. Now her toy pets who shared her warm bed are reclassified as "outside dogs". Amy and her husband Ira are successfully transitioning from puppy hood to parent hood.

Our son Josh and his wife Ruth moved to Mexico to start a Sport fishing Business called Fishin Mission of Puerto Vallarta. Josh explored an opportunity to manage a start up Biz for a friend and ended up doing it himself. His clients are catching a lot of big Billfish and Josh is having the time of his life. Check out his website (www.FishinMissionPV.com) you'll be glad you did! When you check out the Photo & Video Gallery you will be



entertained by the festive music and collage of Deep Sea Treasures! Josh's desire is to build a business that will bless the poor. Pray for this start up venture that he will realize the dream that God birthed in his heart. If you or someone you know would like to experience world class Sport fishing, Josh would love to be your great adventure Hook –up!

Our youngest is now "Aunt" Sarah. She just loves her little niece and wants to live close to the baby so that she can spoil her. Sarah has held down the same job for two years now and we are very proud of her work record. She desires to continue her education but that must be put on hold for now as she is making a living.

Carol moved back across the Rio Grand out of obedience to the Lord, knowing that is where we are called to be. Sarah commented to me, "What's up with Mom? She loves living back in Mexico!! She wrestled with being separated from our girls back in Texas, but God has given her an extra measure of Grace to make Mexico her home once again. The Lord that holds our future also adjusts our hearts to fulfill His call.

It is your prayers and financial support that make it possible for us to continue to be obedient to God's call. Thank you!

Together we make a difference!!

Joe & Carol



Brooklynn Ariel Martin (BAM) & Aunt Sarah

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