

Not by blood, but by heart

My American story can be explained in six words. They might be simple, but these six words are more than simple – they're my life. Through these past years, I have realized you don't need to be blood related to be family. In America, family isn't genetics from beyond years ago; family is a title. A title you claim with people you love. I was born into an family where money and achievements were not something we had, so they put me first, so I could have a new family. This new family would allow me to go to school, play sports, and have clothes on my back. A family who would show me how to be the person I am today. Now I stand hand and hand with the people I love, MY family. We may be different shades, different faces, different blood, but we're all family: a family that will always be by heart, and not by blood.