

Esthetics 2024 Group D February

Bio

Submission

My name is Melissa Landers. Im 51 years old and am originally from Franklin Ky. After graduating high school in 1990, I went to cosmetology school in Nashville, TN. I completed the hours, and took the KY state board. I passed, and immediately began working in a "beauty shop". I soon realized that the typical beauty shop was not what i had in mind for myself, so i went to a larger neighboring city and applied for a job at Castner Knott hair salon. It was a department store salon. That is when I was able to work with hair the way I wanted to. A few years into working there, I decided to open my own salon. It was called Bryant and Company. It was in an old restored building with pressed tin ceilings and wood floors. I put in 4 chairs, and had friends want to come work with me. It was a booth rental salon. A few years into that, my friend and I went to Destin FL for a vacation. It was there I met my husband. He was in the navy and lived there. We hit it off, and 3 months later I sold my hair salon and moved to FL, then married in October. After moving to FL, I worked at a salon in Destin FL called Avantgarde . With Lance being military, he soon got orders to Sigonella Sicily. We moved, and I met a wonderful group of girls, took in the culture and ate great food of course. I became pregnant with my daughter in November 2003. She was born at the naval hospital in Sicily. We got orders to go back to FL, by the time we moved I was pregnant with my son. He was born at Fort Walton Beach Hospital in March 2006. We stayed in Florida until 2011 and thats when we moved to VA beach. in 2019, Lance retired from the navy with 26 years under his belt. . My daughter is now a sophomore at Flagler College in St Augustine, FL. My son is a senior at Cox High School. I was able to stay home with my kids all those years and for that I am grateful. While being a mom, I lost sight of who I was as a person. My interests were now whatever my kids were doing at the time.

Now its my time. I'm following my dream. Its never too late!