Celebrity Interview: Entrepreneur and Football Wife Candice Romo





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Candice Romo is an entrepreneur, a mother of three, and a football wife. She grew up in Dallas, Texas with her mother, father and actor brother Chace Crawford. Candice won the title of Miss Missouri USA in 2008 and made the Top 10 for Miss USA 2008. She attended the University of Missouri and graduated with a degree in journalism and a minor in business. During college, Candice worked as a sports anchor and spent her summers interning for the Dallas Cowboys, which is how she met her husband, quarterback Tony Romo. Tony proposed on her 24th birthday and the two were married in May 2011. Now, the couple has three young boys Hawkins, Rivers and Jones. In our exclusive celebrity interview, we talk to Candice about her

family life and she fills us in on what it's like to take a <u>celebrity vacation</u>.

Celebrity interview with Candice Romo

In April 2017, Tony retired from the NFL after 14 seasons with the Dallas Cowboys and now has a broadcasting career working for CBS Sports for the NFL telecasts. Since his retirement, Candice said that she gets to enjoy more time with her hubby at home. When asked how she balances everything, Candice says, "It takes a village," mentioning that her parents live close by and they are active with the Romo children. "Now that Tony is not playing football anymore, he's home a lot. He's been really helpful and I surround myself with other mom friends and we can all help each other out with carpooling and things," she adds.

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Candice opens up that Tony no longer being in the NFL has made her life much less stressful. "Being in the NFL is kind of like being on a reality show every week. You're living and dying by these wins and losses, and then of course injuries come into play and you're stressed every game," Candice says. There was always the worry, Candice explains, that Tony would get hurt during a game and how that injury would affect his life at home. "When he was done playing [football]," Candice admits, "there was this underlying weight that I didn't even know was there that was totally lifted. Of course, we will miss being a part of the NFL family." Being a part of something larger is "so meaningful and special and we're always going to miss those times." However, the Romo couple seems to appreciate their new lifestyle. "Tony is an analyst and is enjoying his new job. I can watch football now like a

fan and be entertained and not feel like the whole time I'm stressed out."

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When asked what her family's favorite way to vacation is, Candice says that she and Tony love traveling in large groups and bringing their extended family along. As expected, it's challenging to find somewhere for the whole family to enjoy. "We love being able to go to a place like Kalahari Resorts where it's kind of like a cruise ship on land. It's an all-in-one location and for me, that is huge because I'm already packing for five people and I just want to get there and be there and not have to leave." Candice adds that she loves that there are activities for all family members at the Kalahari Resorts. "The kids can do the waterslides while our grandparents do the lazy river and I can go to the spa while Tony goes to the gym. Then we all reconvene back for dinner. Everyone can go do their own thing and then we can all come back together."

You can keep up with Candice and her full life by following her on Instagram and Twitter!

Exes Jessica Simpson and Tony Romo Don't Speak at Correspondents' Dinner





By Shannon Seibert

Jessica Simpson, 33, attended the White House Correspondents' Dinner in Washington D.C., as did her ex, Tony Romo. After their final split in 2009, both Simpson and Romo have found love, and started family roots. The singer and the Cowboy's quarterback didn't stage a reunion at the event, and were able to mingle comfortably without interacting with one another, according to <code>UsMagazine.com</code>.

What are some ways to keep things civil between you and your ex?

Cupid's Advice:

There is nothing more uncomfortable than being caught in a social setting with your ex. There is awkward eye contact, weird feelings and an aura of tension in the air—and everyone notices. Sometimes the best way to be civil is to fake it till you make it, and be an adult about the situation:

1. Don't speak poorly of your ex: This is someone who you were once an item with. Speaking ill of your past relationship with your ex, no matter how terrible the relationship may have been, reflects more poorly of you than it will your ex. If you are the one doing the bad-mouthing, it will only resonate as your personal level of maturity. Ex-shaming is a practice that must be stopped!

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2. Be polite but don't overdo it: You want to be respectful, but you don't want to seem fake about it. By going out of your way to say 'Hello!' or approaching them without warning could send the wrong signal about your intentions. If you do happen to run into each other, smile and ask how everything is going, but don't press for details. The shallow conversation will keep the mood light, and there will be no room for disagreements to arise.

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3. Focus on you: This is the time where you can be your own person, without your name being attached to his. If people ask about your ex, quickly steer the subject to something positive you're doing with your life. You don't need to get caught up in what your ex is doing on social media, with someone else or anything else regarding his business because it isn't yours anymore.

What are some ways you and your ex have kept things civil? Tell us in the comments below!

Tony Romo Says His Marriage Is Better Thanks to Parenthood





Dallas Cowboys

quarterback Tony Romo and wife Candice Crawford didn't think their marriage could get any better until their baby boy, Hawkins, came into their lives. "If it's possible to bring you and your wife closer together, something like this really does," Romo told <u>People</u>. "It strengthens your family values and your family and the love you have, which is already really strong. It's been a great blessing from God to put us in this situation. We feel very honored." The star NFL quarterback has a very busy schedule, but he makes as much time for his beauty queen wife and newborn son as possible, and Romo says he feels very fortunate to have a wife that understands the demands of his athletic career and supports him all the way.

What are some ways that being a parent can bring you closer as

a couple?

Cupid's Advice:

Marriage might have been the best day of your life, but having a child can easily become the new front runner. Cupid has some tips that can bring you and your partner closer:

- 1. The pregnancy: This nine month process is going to be a roller coaster ride of emotions along with preparation and planning, and they're all things that you should go through together. You'll see the best and worst of each other, and in the end, the prize is beyond anything you could have imagined.
- 2. The birth: Whether your partner has your hand in a death grip or you're watching the miracle of life right before your eyes, the birth will be a moment that you and your partner will cherish together for the rest of your lives, especially since the baby will be your little miracle and you become mom and dad.
- 3. Parenthood: Raising a child is no easy task, and parents before you will have all kinds of warnings and tips to make it easier, but it's something that you and your partner will have to figure out for yourselves. It's a journey that you will adore taking with your partner and your child, because you will all grow and become the best you can be as a family.

In what ways did having kids strengthen your marriage? Share your comments below.

Tony Romo and Candice Crawford Welcome a Baby Boy





Candice Crawford welcomed their new son, Hawkins Crawford Romo, into the world on the evening of April 9th. "Hawkins Crawford Romo is now a part of the Dallas Cowboys family," said Rich Dalrymple, a Cowboys spokesperson, according to <u>People</u>. Hawkins was born 8 lbs. 8 oz. Romo, 31, and

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to <u>People</u>. Hawkins was born 8 lbs. 8 oz. Romo, 31, and Crawford, 25, were married in May 2011 and announced their pregnancy the following October.

What are some things to consider when you're naming your child?

Cupid's Advice:

The name you give your child is permanent and will reflect their precious life to come. Here are some considerations to make when naming your baby:

- 1. Your last name: When naming your baby, it's important to think about how the name will sound with your last name. Try selecting a few of your favorite names and put them together with your last name to see what sounds just right.
- 2. Your relatives: Carrying names through generations is very important in many families. If every man in your family has been sharing the same name, and it's just not your favorite, you should consider using it as your new baby's middle name.
- **3. History:** When you think of a name, it often brings back a memory of someone. When naming your baby, you don't want to always think back to the Amanda you sat next to in grade school and how bad she smelled. Talk to your significant other, and make sure the names you select don't ring any old bells.

What did you consider when naming your child? Share your stories below.

Our 5 Favorite Celebrity-Athlete Couples





By Diamon Hall

With Kim Kardashian's recent engagement to Kris Humphries and Candice Crawford's late-May nuptials, these lovely celebrities are currently hot topics of conversation. While these two couples are currently reveling in the limelight, there are plenty more popular athlete-celebrity couples in Tinseltown. Check out our favorite five:

- 1. Gisele Bundchen and Tom Brady: This famous Hollywood couple starred in Zimbio's "Top 10 Sizzling Couples" list, so it's only right to include them on this list. The New England Patriots quarterback and gorgeous Brazilian supermodel are a match made in heaven.
- 2. Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries: There's just no way anybody could tune this couple out, as they've saturated the media lately after news broke of their engagement. It didn't take Kardashian long to find true love after her relationship with Miles Austin of the Dallas Cowboys faded. Since Humphries is the forward of the New Jersey Nets, and we all know about her previous long-term relationship with Reggie Bush of the New Orleans Saints, it's obvious she's a big fan of athletes. However, since the basketball star dropped nearly \$2 million on the reality star's engagement ring, it seems he's an even bigger fan of hers.

- 3. Candice Crawford and Tony Romo: Crawford didn't receive clothes, shoes, or handbags for her 24th birthday. Instead, she got a ring and a marriage proposal from Dallas Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo. While it's safe to say that Romo is over pop star Jessica Simpson, we all know one thing this gentleman definitely prefers blondes! Now, Crawford is no longer just known as the younger sister of *Gossip Girl* star Chace Crawford, but for her love life with such a prominent sports figure.
- 4. La La Vasquez and Carmelo Anthony: New York Knicks star Anthony and former television personality and current actress Vasquez tied the knot last July, and the whole world saw how they prepared for their big day on VH1 reality show, La La's Full Court. This couple seems to glow in all their pictures together and are still happily married, living in New York with their 4-year-old son, Kiyan.
- **5. Khloe Kardashian and Lamar Odom:** Kim certainly isn't the only Kardashian who made this list. Younger sister Khloe and Los Angeles forward Lamar Odom also rank as one of Hollywood's well-known athlete-celebrity couples. Many questioned this pair's relationship because they only dated for a month before they married. However, these two are continuing to enjoy marital bliss, and their E! reality show, *Khloe' and Lamar*, finished its first season on May 31.

Love is definitely in the air with these five athletecelebrity couples. Which one is your favorite? Let us know below!

Tony Romo and Candice Crawford Tie the Knot





Pro football player

and infamous celebrity dater Tony Romo is officially off the market, according to E! Online. Romo and Candice Crawford, his girlfriend of a year and a half, wed in Dallas last weekend. The Dallas Cowboy proposed to Crawford on December 16th, her 24th birthday. Candice Crawford is a former beauty queen and sports reporter and is also the younger sister of Gossip Girl's Chace Crawford. Romo has a history of dating beautiful blondes, as he can count Carrie Underwood and Jessica Simpson among his exes.

How do you choose a date to propose?

Cupid's Advice:

To make your proposal extra-special, choose a date that means something to you. Cupid has some suggestions on when to pop

the question:

- 1. Anniversary: Try proposing on the day you met your sweetheart if you want to recognize how far you've come and remind each other of what it felt like when you first started dating.
- 2. Birthday: Give your partner a gift they'll never forget by popping the question on his or her birthday.
- 3. Holidays: Make the holidays extra special by proposing on Christmas, the 4th of July or whichever holiday means something to your sweetie. Plus, your mate will already be in the holiday spirit and will be more likely to say 'yes'!

What is the best date to propose to your significant other? Share your comments below.

Tony Romo and Candice Crawford Celebrate Super Bowl With Family





Tony Romo has a lot

to be thankful for this Super Bowl season, and a lot of it revolves around his fiancée, Candice Crawford. The duo have been pre-celebrating the game throughout the week, and they've even made it a family affair. According to a source, Romo and Candice's brother, *Gossip Girl* star Chace Crawford, are already friends. Chace has been joining his happy bride-to-be sister and future brother-in-law for pre-Super Bowl festivities as well, reports *People*. Even Candice's parents joined in on the fun at an exclusive dinner party hosted by Audi in Dallas. An observer said, "Tony and Candice have been at party after party together, and they are always snuggling or laughing with each other or with friends."

How do you incorporate your family into your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Once your relationship turns serious, it's important to keep your family involved so that they can share in your happiness. Cupid has a few tips:

1. Invite them to events: Take a cue from Candice Crawford and Tony Romo and invite your family along to parties and other fun happenings. Even if you just invite them over to your home for dinner, the more exposure they have to your

relationship, the better.

- 2. Ask for advice: Make sure your family members know that you value their opinions. Get their advice and recommendations about where to go on dates or gifts you plan on buying for your partner.
- **3. Update them:** It may seem simple, but keeping them abreast of any goings on in your relationship will keep your family involved. The fact that you aren't hiding the relationship or keeping secrets will do nothing but help you.

Tony Romo is Engaged to 'Gossip Girl' Star's Sister, Candice Crawford





Tony Romo is engaged

to Chace Crawford's sister, Chandice Crawford, <u>People</u> reports. Crawford, a pagent queen and a KDAF-TV anchor in Dallas was out celebrating her 24th birthday when Romo popped the question. The two began dating in 2009, shortly after Romo broke things off with Jessica Simpson. The engagement between Tomo and Crawford comes in third behind a slew of newly engaged celeb couples, including Jessica Simpson's other ex, Nicky Lachey to Vanessa Minnillo and then Simpson's own engagement to Eric Johnson. This chain of ex's getting engaged leaves Cupid asking:

How do you overcome the news of your ex's engagement?

Cupid's Advice:

It's hard to feel genuinely happy for an ex when he announces his new engagement. But instead of stewing, focus on what is going well for you in your own life:

- 1. The shock factor: It's normal to be a little hurt when hearing the news that your ex is engaged. Take some time for to accept the news, and then move on.
- 2. Realize what you have: You may not have a ring on your finger, but you surely have plenty of other things going on in your life to be proud of, whether thats a promising career or

wonderful friends.

3. Remember why you broke up: Your ex is your ex for a reason and even though it may seem like you're missing out, you're not. Grab a friend and relish in the perks of not being tied down.