

Jason (Class of 1994)  
and Kirsten (Class of 1995) Koch

**Education:** Jason studied Automotive Technology and Kirsten studied Dental Assisting.

**Career summary:** Jason has worked at Koch Auto for 30 years. He started as an Automotive Technician and is now owner. Kirsten worked for Paul Weber, DDS, here in Batesville for 16 years. They took over ownership of Koch Auto a year and a half ago and Kirsten joined the family business at that time.

**Family info:** Jason and Kirsten have two sons. Jacob is 22 years old and studied Automotive Technology and works full-time as an Automotive Technician at Koch Auto. Sam is 16 years old and is a junior at BHS.

**Best education-related memory:**

Jason: "A teacher who has inspired me is Mr. Ferguson, not only as a teacher, but as my wrestling coach for seven years. He taught me to push harder if you want to make a difference."

Kirsten: "I was inspired by Mr. Zimmerman. He was always motivational, making you think outside the box. Always had a positive attitude. Being friends with him on Facebook as an adult, I am still learning from him!"

**Personal quote about education:**

Jason: "The whole purpose of education is to turn mirrors into windows."

Kirsten: "All of life is a constant education."

She adds in reference to their taking over the family business, "How true these quotes have become this last year and a half!"

