

Daddy's on his way ...

Addison Jean Vendzules made her entrance into the world Tuesday, March 11, at 6:15 p.m. This afternoon, she and her mom, Jessica, along with big sister Dominique Kay and her grandma, are waiting for her dad, Adam Vendzules, to appear on the big screen.

Adam Vendzules, a U.S. Marine, is a month into his second deployment in Iraq. Adam's mother contacted Freedom Calls Foundation, a public charity that keeps military families connected during war time via satellite and video conferencing, and Freedom Calls contacted Jessica to set up the link. With help from Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hospital's technical gurus, a camera in Jessica's room connects with a camera in a room at Al Asad Air Base. As of press time, Jessica, Addison, Dominique, and Jessica's mother were waiting for Adam so the family can spend some time together.

"She looks just like her daddy," says Jessica of her new 8-pound, 6.9-ounce bundle.

Jessica is originally from Covington; she and her daughters will be staying with her mom in Wellsboro until Adam comes home in September.



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