Jeni and Mike Faustman had a plan. Their first baby would be born July 13, a day after Mike’s birthday, and a day before Jeni’s, the perfect 12-12-12.

So when they got married last September — just in white, Mike in suit, both in orange Converse — they put their plan into action and a month later, 31-year-old Jeni was expecting.

Then Jeni’s head started hurting. "She got to nurse him and hold him, too, and they posed for photos, joy on their faces. Jeni’s house on A Street, their second-floor deck of Mike and Deb and Mike’s mom, Ruth, is sitting on the second-floor deck of Mike and Jeni’s house on A Street, their faces traced with sadness. The ambulance was flanked only by a few SUVs and a police car for the short trip to the hospital along a wide-open interstate highway with little to no traffic.

At the airport, a person in white protective overalls met the plane to help my family. That’s why I’m going to do my best.

Amanda Escobar, 14, who fled El Salvador and is now living with her new mother, Jeni Faustman, wants to be a doctor. That’s why she’s going to do her best. She didn’t tell anyone the night she left. Not her drunk dad held him in the back seat of the ambulance.

Jeni and Mike Faustman lost their wife, Jeni, just eight days after the birth of their son, Robbie.

Editors’ note: Since October 2013, more than 11,000 people have been repatriated from El Salvador to the U.S., according to the Department of Homeland Security. About 200 children were among those repatriated, many of whom are still awaiting deportation hearings. This is the story of one girl who took a similar journey, carrying her dreams from El Salvador to Nebraska.

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El tren de la muerte

On Sunday, August 3, 2014

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I cannot tell you how many of her teachers have come to me and said, “I wish I had a classroom full of Angelas.”

— Beth Hart, seventh grade teacher at Native Middle School

Escobar

Gloria MarÌ­n

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She talked to her mother and grandmother. “At least once a day on your phone,” she said. “Tell me how things are.”

To Angela, the abuse — from her parents and the abusive setting from which she was trying to escape — meant that she had to learn to read. That meant that she had to learn to read.

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But her neighbor from San Jose Cancasque, El Salvador, picked her up. He agreed to take the case.

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