

Erik and Rachel

Dear Birth Parents,

Your decision to consider adoption is such an act of love for your child. You are trusting a family to love your child as much as you do. As you read our album, we hope it gives you some insight into our lives; who we are as individuals, who we are as a couple, and who we are as parents. We hope that you will be able to see the love that we have for each other, the love that we have for our son and the love that we have to give to your child. Selecting us as parents for your child would be an incredible gift; something we would never take for granted. We will hold you in our hearts each and every day we look at our son or daughter that you blessed us with because of your decision. We pray that God is with you every step of your journey, as He has been with us.

Thank you for considering us,

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Views on openness

It is important to us that you know how loved your child is and how well he or she is doing. Ultimately, we want you to feel comfortable with your decision. We have a very open relationship with both Lennon's birth mother and birth father. We text pictures often and they come over to visit several times a year. We understand this may not be the type of relationship you want and that's okay. Just know we are open to different possibilities of what our relationship might look like.



About us and our home

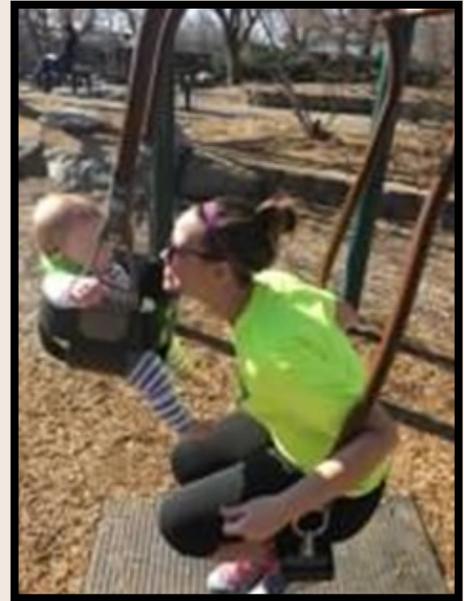
We've known each other most of our lives as we grew up in the same small town in Missouri. However, it wasn't until we both moved away for college that we realized we were more than friends. We dated for three years in college and were married in 2010. We have always seemed to balance one another in the good times and through some pretty tough challenges. We have always supported and loved each other and becoming parents has only strengthened that bond.



We live in a very diverse town in the heart of Missouri. Our home is located close to a park, trail and a lake and we enjoy taking family walks there in the evening. Families with kids of all ages reside in our neighborhood and it's fun seeing the kids out playing, riding their bikes, and playing at the park. We have a large fenced-in backyard that is perfect for our growing family.

Outside is our favorite place to be

Before Lennon joined our family, we loved to stay active and run races. Now that we have Lennon, he just comes along with us! Lennon has done several 5ks already and we look forward to our next child getting in on the fun too!



We also love spending time outside as a family. Whether it's a walk to a nearby trail, a picnic or a trip to the park, our preferred family time is outside!

