

Welcome to Our Family

Kris, Nick and Gerald



Dear Expectant Parents,

This is a challenging letter to write. We can't even begin to imagine the difficult and conflicted feeling you are experiencing at this moment as you consider making an adoption plan.

We hope this profile gives you an insight to our lives.

Our family is so excited to meet you. We hope to expand our family and welcome the opportunity to build a strong and loving relationship with another child. We are so excited that you are willing to take the time to get to know us. We can't wait to love on another little one.

The choice to place a child with another family is the hardest and most complicated decision a parent can make. We are blessed that you are opening your heart to consider allowing us to love and care for your baby. We knew adoption was a likely option for us as Kris' doctors told her carrying a baby would be very hard on her body. Gerald was both a surprise and blessing for us. Being parents, we understand firsthand the love and total selfless decision you are making to give us the responsibility of loving and raising your child.

While it is challenging to understand a family through a simple profile, we hope you get a sense of the love and care we have for each other. We are a loving and happy family, full of adventures and activities. We spend a lot of time together as a family enjoying life. We promise that your child we will be loved and cherished by our whole family. We will share love with him/her, experiences, joys and sadness that comes with life each day. We are prepared to help them grow and have an understanding about adoption and what that means for them and their identity.

As we grow we hope that we will develop a relationship with you. We are humbled that you may consider our family as an option for your child. If you choose to open your heart and child to our family we will love and cherish them each day of our lives.

Love, Kris, Nick and Gerald

More about us



About Kris

- High School Science Teacher
- Energetic, Outgoing, Active and Optimistic
- Loves the Green and Blue
- Enjoys planning adventures, reading, crafting, playing with technology and cooking



About Nick

- Actuary (Math and Statistics of Insurance)
- Relaxed, Quiet and Friendly
- Loves Red and Blue
- Enjoys fishing, bowling, reading, tinkering and attending Kris' adventures



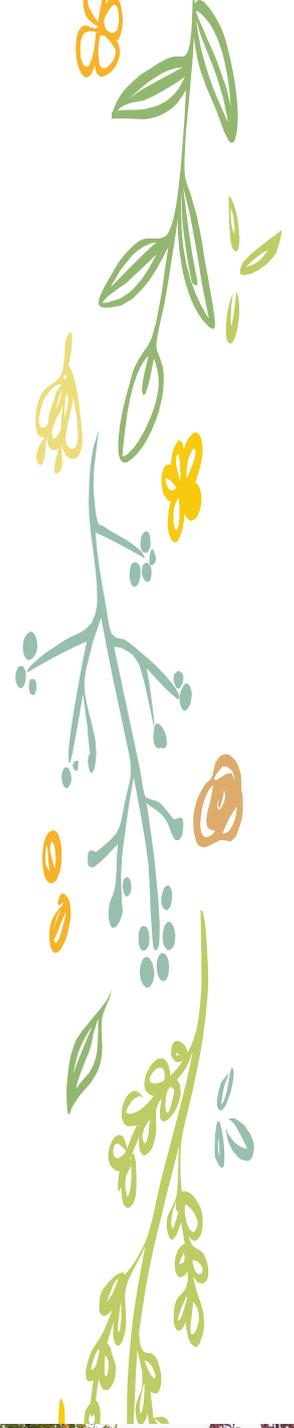
About Gerald

- Born June 2014
- Kind, Loving, Cuddly and Gentle
- Loves Blue
- Enjoys exploring and adventuring in our neighborhood and beyond.

Religion: Catholic

Our Home

Our beautiful blue two story craftsman home is in the heart of the suburbs in a larger city in Missouri. It is a 3 bedroom, two bathroom home with a great shaded yard. We are also very close to a ton of amenities including our doctors, dentist, library, church, parks, shops and restaurants. In good weather we love walking our neighborhood and going to nearby museums and the Zoo. The local public elementary is a short three blocks away for our kiddos to attend. Our community is fun and engaging and yearly we have a neighborhood block party just to get to know each other.



Our Family and Values

Family

Our immediate family includes, Kris, Nick, Gerald and the dog Bella

Additionally, we are very close to all of our extended family. Both sets of grandparents live nearby and are always ready to play. Almost all of our siblings live close as well. Nick's brothers and their families live in the same city. Sadly Kris' sister and her family live in New York state, but we still see them quite often!

The grandparents love to spend time with their babies!



Child Care and Education

With all of our children we will take the allowed leave time from our jobs to build love and relationships. At

12 weeks Gerald went to a wonderful Lutheran Daycare that he attended until he completed the 4's class. During the summer, Kris will spend time with the kids. Following daycare we believe in developing the best of our children's abilities in the neighborhood schools.

Family Fun and Holidays

In our free time, we spend a lot of time at Kris' family lake house boating and playing. Spending time with our family is our first priority and enjoying the holidays together is incredibly important! While Christmas is our favorite, we have family fun and traditions on most holidays!



Parenting and Discipline

We have strong positive expectations for Gerald as well as our new baby. We will raise them to be caring and kind to others, expect them to clean up after themselves, and help them to make positive decisions. As with all children, when challenging behaviors come up, we will work with our children to calm down and communicate their needs positively. We will engage in discussions of behavior and help our children to make good choices.



Why Adoption

Adoption was always a consideration in our marriage due to the Kris' health issues that would prevent her from carrying a baby to term. She was able to carry our son almost to term, but the risk was too great to try again. We were incredibly blessed to have the opportunity to have Gerald and we are equally excited to bring another little one into our home through adoption.



Openness

We welcome the opportunity for our children to grow up knowing and communicating with our adopted child's birth parents. The gift of a child is a significant one and it is important for our child to know their background and history. Our hope would be regular contact, through letters, photos, videos or meetings at a designated place so both birth parents and child can know each other.



Love and Thanks

We are delighted to get the opportunity to spread the love to a new member of our family. We thank you for your consideration and recognize your great act of love.



Adoption and Openness