



Dear Birthparent,

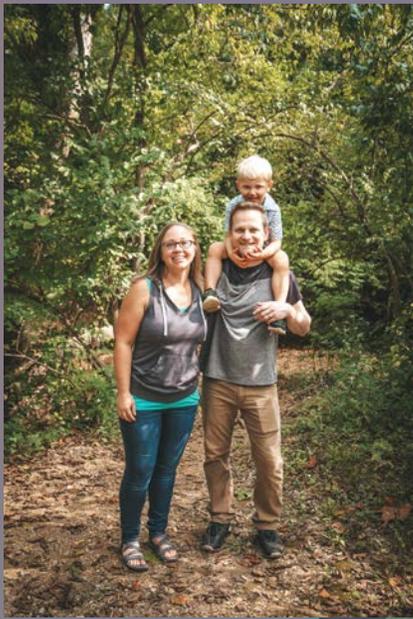
Thank you so much for giving our family the opportunity to show you who we are and how much love we have to give to your child. We understand this must be a very difficult and emotional time for you. We admire your courage to be able to go through this and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts to consider an adoption plan for your child. We hope this book will give you an idea of what life could be like in our family.

We have always wanted to have a family where children can grow up together and have that same amazing relationship that we both have with our parents and sisters. Our family is the most important thing to us. We want to be able to give that same love that we received as children to our children. We want to have children that can share this love and be able to lean on each other throughout their lives. We know that through adoption we can have this family. Thank you so much for taking the time to meet us!

Why Adoption?

We have always wanted multiple children. When we got married, we bought a big house to fill with laughter and noise. Unfortunately, life didn't quite take the turn we expected, but still led us down a wonderful path that we both feel we were meant to be on.

Before Isaac, we experienced multiple lost pregnancies. We started to consider adoption but decided to give pregnancy one more try. Isaac was a miracle. We always wanted more than one child and attempted to have a brother or sister for Isaac. These attempts were unsuccessful, so we knew our path had led us back to adoption. We know adoption is not only a way to bring this wonderful child into our lives, but we believe it is a wonderful way to become connected to our child's birth family as well. We see adoption as a blessing on so many levels and are excited to have the chance to grow our family this way.



Openness and Race/Ethnicity

We both feel that we can love and take care of a child of any race. We know how important it is for child know their cultural heritage and will do everything in our power to make that connection for them. We have friends and an uncle with bi-racial families. They will be great points of contact for us to lean on and ask for advice. We plan on surrounding him/her with as much culture as we can to help them on their journey of growing up with us. We will always talk openly about issues in this world that may be uncomfortable for some but important to all. We will read and take counseling if necessary.



Eric

Job: Senior Business Analyst

Personality: Eric is funny, lighthearted, and an amazing father. He always keeps our home filled with laughter. He is extremely intelligent and hard working.

Hobbies: He loves to learn and read about almost anything. He even used to read the dictionary as a child. He also loves to fix anything and everything. Or at least try to. He loves to play the guitar and almost every musical instrument he can get his hands on. He puts great thought and work into everything he does... even Legos. I love coming downstairs to see the new amazing things Isaac and he have built.

Isaac is full of energy and life. He loves to play and be silly like his Dad. He is a sweet boy with a wild soul. He gets along great with other children. He wants a brother or sister to play with. We try to talk to him all the time about adoption and what we are trying to do. He is very excited.

His favorite thing to do is fake wrestle, play outside in the mud, play with Legos, kinetic sand, dinosaurs, and Godzilla. He also loves animals. Our dog Pepper is one of his best friends. They play all day together. Isaac has always been a water baby. From the moment he was born he loved baths, pools, and water of any kind. During the summer we spend a lot of time outside in our pool, in sprinklers, or a water table.



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Mary Ann

Job: Community Relations Specialist

Personality: She has a bright and cheery attitude, a big heart, and brings out a smile in anyone she meets. I'm always amazed by her ability to keep our house filled with joy.

Hobbies: She loves crafts, reading books, watching movies, and walking outside, going to the park, and she loves animals.



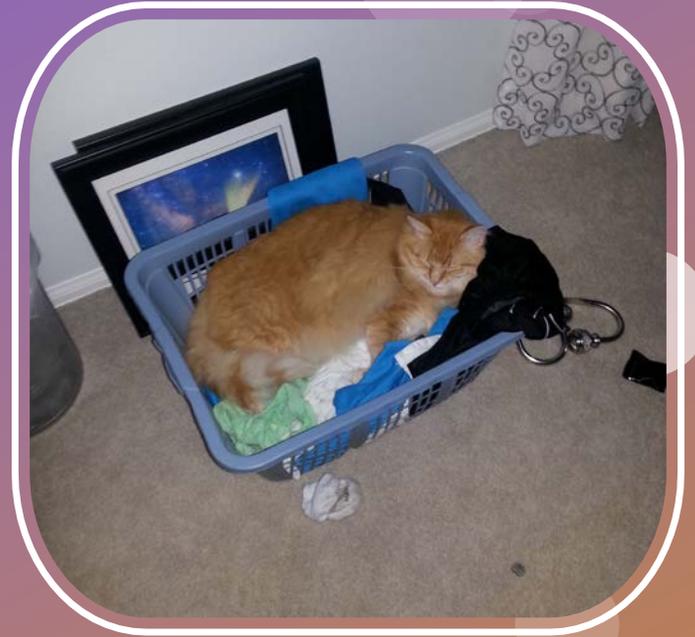
Pepper

Pepper is our sweet girl. She is loving, playful, and always wonderful with children. She loves to play tug of war and play wrestle with Isaac. She is never too rough. She is always there by our side. She is man, women, and child's best friend.



Greenlee

Greenlee is a very sweet but sassy kitty. She loves to rub on feet and lay around all day. She is very fast and can't be caught easily. Isaac likes to chase her around the house. We call her Greens.



Ernie

Ernie is a very loving, cuddly, furball of a kitty. He loves to hide a lot but when he does come out he is all snuggles. He is much easier to catch and likes to whine a lot. We call him Ernie Mcfluffin.

Our Home and Neighborhood



We have a two-story home with four bedrooms and two and a half baths. We also have a finished basement with plenty of room to play. We have a large back yard and are located next to common ground where Isaac loves to play and run. We have a room ready to go for a new child and plenty of space to grow and play.

Our home is also just a few minutes away from daycare. Isaac goes to daycare 5 days a week. His daycare is wonderful. They are fun, the teachers are nice, and they have been teaching Isaac so much in the last few years. The daycare is a place where Isaac loves going. He has made so many wonderful friends. The daycare has a diverse group of kids that seem to really love where they are.

Eric and I both work full time. Our work is wonderful and very flexible for family needs. We have a family that is always there to help out when we need it.





Our Family

Our families are a part of our every day lives. We try to see them as much as we can. We love getting together for dinners, holidays, birthdays, and really any days. No matter what, we always try to meet up and have fun somewhere.

Everyone knows our plans to adopt and are on board. We have one family member in particular that is a great resource. He adopted 3 children all of different races and from different countries. Our families are kind, welcoming, and ready for another youngster to join the family. Everyone is excited for welcoming a child into all of our lives.

Thank You For Hearing Our Story!



We are a family who loves each other. A family who likes to laugh and play. A family who takes care of each other. A family who has good days and bad days.

We are a family who is ready to open its arms and hearts to another.

We can't imagine how rough this time is for you to make this kind of a decision in your life. No matter the outcome, our hearts and thoughts go out to you.

Thank you for taking the time to meet us.