

Lauren & Bryan



Hello,

WE ARE LAUREN AND BRYAN

We are so humbled to have the opportunity to share our hearts with you and **we would be honored to know you and learn more about your dreams for your child.** While we cannot fathom the emotions you may be feeling in making this difficult decision, we hope you find comfort in knowing we have been praying for you and for your baby. You are so loved, valued and important...not only to us, but to God, and we are so thankful for the gift of life you are giving your baby.

We hope that through this book you will be able to see our love for each other, and the love we have to share with our future child.

We welcome a relationship with you and want you to know that if you feel your child finds their way into our home, your worth as their mother is not lost on us, and you would always be honored in our home.

Thank you so much for your willingness to learn about us. Ultimately we pray for peace as you make this decision and will continue to pray that the peace of Jesus would rule in your heart on this journey ahead!

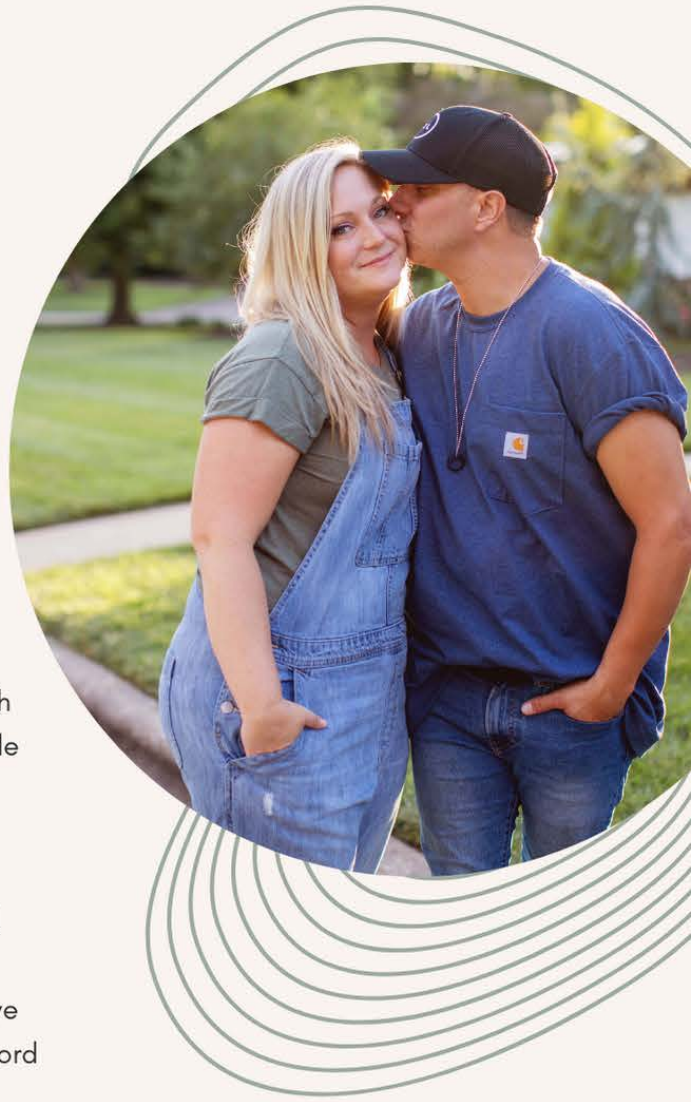


A LITTLE BIT

About Us.

We originally met our Senior year of high school through some mutual friends... but it wasn't until about a decade later that we reconnected at a friend's wedding, and Bryan finally got up the nerve to ask me out.

We both knew pretty quickly that this was the real deal and got married exactly a year after our first date. We have now been married for nearly 5 years. We both have a strong faith in the Lord and do our best to keep the Lord at the center of our marriage. We genuinely enjoy spending time together and have had a lot of fun in our first 5 years of marriage. We have loved traveling and building a life together with our two adorable pups, Henry and Darcy, but **we absolutely can't wait to start our next BIG adventure of parenthood together.**



A FEW OF OUR FAVORITE THINGS

- We Love the Lord and our Church Group
- Traveling
- Baseball Games (Huge St. Louis Cardinals Fans)
- Tacos and Sushi
- Coffee + Brunch on Saturdays
- Football Season
- Farmers Markets
- Garage Sales
- Antique/Flea Market Shopping
- The Fall Season/Fall Festivals



HI, I'M

Bryan

I'm Bryan, a people person, baseball fanatic, music lover, pastor's kid, a twin and I have the uncanny ability to throw a movie quote into almost any conversation. I am technically the youngest of 4 kids, but my twin only beat me to this world by a few minutes. I loved my childhood and my siblings are now some of my very best friends, and family is my biggest passion. I love working hard and am constantly on the go at work in a re-manufacturing warehouse, but at the end of the day coming home to Lauren and our pups, Henry and Darcy, is what brings me the most Joy.

LAUREN SAYS:

Bryan is one of the most passionate, fiercely loyal and honest people I know, and it is what I find so attractive about him. He has a genuine heart for people. I often walk in the door from work to hear him on the phone talking sports with a friend, teasing them about beating them in fantasy baseball/football, and in the same breath encouraging them in whatever they are going through. I never doubt Bryan's commitment and love for me. He is always the first to apologize in any argument, gives the best hugs, and is truly my best friend. He works so hard for our family, can clean a house like none other, is definitely the "Funcle" (fun uncle), and I cannot wait to see him be a dad, because I know he will be the best.



HI, I'M

Lauren

I'm Lauren, I'm not a twin, like Bryan, unfortunately... but I did grow up with an older sister that Facebook facial recognition thinks is my twin. I have awesome parents who instilled in me a love for traveling. They love to camp and planned family vacations every summer that involved going to as many baseball stadiums as we could. So, naturally I married a baseball lover, just like my dad. I am a Marketing Director for a small business and I also do freelance graphic design for work. I love design and the satisfaction of making things better than they started. I love to laugh, chat with friends over coffee, decorate/renovate our home, be outside, go on walks, find new recipes to cook and snuggle our sweet dogs as much as possible.

BRYAN SAYS:

Lauren is truly my happy place. She is rational, and has wise advice, yet at the same time she has a super goofy and lighthearted side. One of our friends recently described Lauren saying "she always shows up for her people" and that is so true. She is attentive to others, has deep empathy and the ability to connect with people. She would drop anything if one of her friends needed her, although I have a hard time sharing her. Oh, and she is also a phenomenal cook. I know she is going to be an awesome mom.



HOME SWEET HOME

We recently had the opportunity to buy my Grandparent's home that they spent 40+ years creating memories in. It is a super special home and we love that we get to carry on all the family traditions and have the space to be able to host family gatherings. I (Lauren) spent nearly every Thanksgiving and Christmas in this home surrounded by lots of cousins, aunts and uncles. My Grandparent's bought this home with our large family in mind and we are thrilled to be able to grow our family here as well. We are in the process of putting our personal touch on things, but have already had fun renovating a nursery and entertaining family and friends in the spacious basement.

Our neighborhood is super charming, great for walking, and it is in our ideal location of our city. We are close to everything including shops, parks, restaurants, safe schools, and lakes.





ABOUT OUR PUPS

HENRY

Henry, or "the goodest boy" as we lovingly refer to him, is 8 years old. I (Lauren) got Henry when he was 10 months old. I was single, lived on my own, and thought he would be a great companion...and boy has he been. When Bryan and I started dating, he quickly fell in love with Henry too. Henry is super chill, has the most velvety soft fur, always loves to be right next to us and can usually be found lounging in any sliver of sunshine he can find.

Other Nicknames include: Hen-a-wee, Henrietta, Henny, and Buddy Boy



DARCY

Darcy aka Darcy Blue is the newest addition to our family. I (Lauren) surprised Bryan with her as a Christmas gift in 2022. Some friends of ours were the breeders and we instantly fell in love when we saw her. She has one blue eye and one brown eye, the wildest hair, a super fun personality and steals the hearts of everyone she meets

Other Nicknames include: Stilts, Lady Long Legs, My Girl Blue, Moe





One more thing before you go...

THESE ARE **OUR PROMISES** TO YOU!

WE PROMISE TO...

- Love and care for your child unconditionally.
- Be their greatest cheerleaders and supporters in life.
- Point them to Christ and instill spiritual values, always reminding him or her that they were created for a purpose.
- Create a safe and nurturing home for him or her to grow and learn.
- Encourage them to pursue their dreams and passions.
- Build an atmosphere of honesty, kindness, compassion, creativity, and joy.
- Provide as many cultural experiences and adventures as we can for them.
- Honor you in our home - your child will never stop hearing about your bravery and love.

WITH MUCH **THANKS & LOVE,**

Bryan & Lauren

