



Spencer, Anna  
Bennett





# hello

Hi! Bennett here. My mommy says families are made by love. I have lots of love to give! I can't wait until I'm officially a big brother. My mom and daddy say that I am very kind and loving. I can't wait to take my brother or sister to all my favorite playgrounds, but most of all to the Zoo! Maybe you could go to visit those places with us sometimes, too.

Love,  
Bennett

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to introduce ourselves. We are glad you found your way to a team of people that care and support you on this very difficult journey. Being parents already, we know the immense strength of the bond between a parent and a child. We are honored and grateful that you would consider us to raise your child.

We don't claim to know how all of this is going to work out, but we look forward to figuring it out together. We continue to work diligently to open our minds and hearts to move everyone forward in the best way possible.

Love,  
Spencer & Anna

# WHERE IT ALL BEGAN



We met when we were elementary school aged. Spencer was best friends with Anna's cousin. Spencer was often along on family dinners and gatherings. Reminiscing about the "good ol' days" brought us back together in 2015.

- first date:  
Richard's Frozen Custard, June 2015
- engaged:  
Anna's parent's property, June 2016
- married:  
Anna's Grandpa's field, March 2017





## OUR HEARTS FOR OPEN ADOPTION

Adoption has always been something that has been on Anna's heart. Spencer and Anna talked about adoption as being a possible way to grow their family early in their relationship.

Educating ourselves on how to go down this road with the best interests of everyone has been a wonderful journey. We are opening our hearts to you and your child, and they will always know how much we all admire honor and cherish you and the strength you have when faced with difficult decisions. We want to work together as a team to determine the best ways to communicate, provide regular updates and schedule possible visits so that everyone feels fully loved and supported.

Our motto is "it takes a village", meaning we aren't foolish enough to think we can do this on our own. We are excited to welcome you as part of us and ours, and can't wait to see where the future takes us.



# meet Anna

personality in three words:

- determined
- thoughtful
- loving

favorite color: sparkly pink

favorite food: chocolate

hobbies: reading, gardening, baking

birth placement: oldest of three

occupation: Behavior Analyst



first day of PreK



# meet Spencer

personality in three words:

- hardworking
- caring
- devoted

favorite color: green

favorite food: popcorn

hobbies: woodworking, gardening

birth placement: youngest of two

occupation: Cement Technician



penguins at the Zoo



first day of PreK

"Home is where love resides, memories are created, friends and family belong and laughter never ends." -Unknown

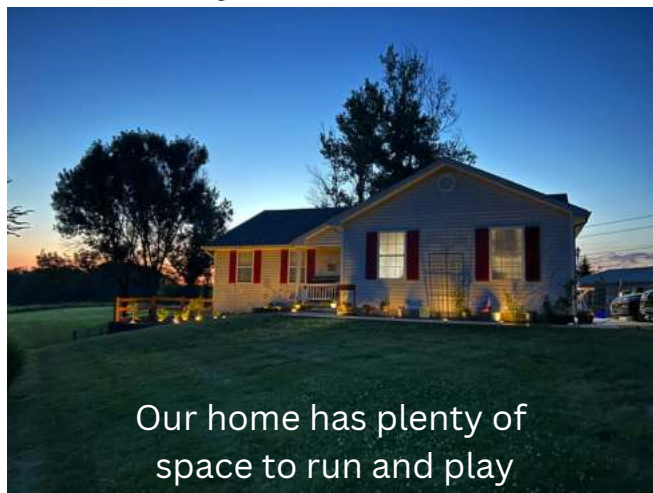
If given the opportunity, you can find both Spencer and Bennett outside from sun up to sun down. Growing our family during the pandemic really made us value our time spent with each other in our own backyard, - literally. We have big plans to purchase more of the land surrounding our home and work with the Conservation Department to create sustainable habitats for all of the wildlife we see. Rabbits, deer and birds, Oh MY! We love seeing foxes, frogs and eagles, too.



*This is home*



**our back yard**



**Our home has plenty of space to run and play**



**our front yard**



# MEET OUR SON



**Bennett LOVES Kali the polar bear at the St. Louis Zoo.**

*always together, and never apart*

Bennett has a big personality and an even bigger heart. He loves to be outside from sun up to sun down, but isn't opposed to snuggling up with Mama when they need each other's snuggles. He will try nearly anything, and waves at every vehicle that drives past his house. He loves trips to the Zoo to see Kali, the polar bear, and has convinced his Granny and Papa to always gift him a Zoo membership for Christmas.

While he has a sweet tooth for a blueberry donut, Bennett loves to eat tomatoes and cucumbers fresh from the garden.



**Bennett and Teddy**



**blueberry donut = love**



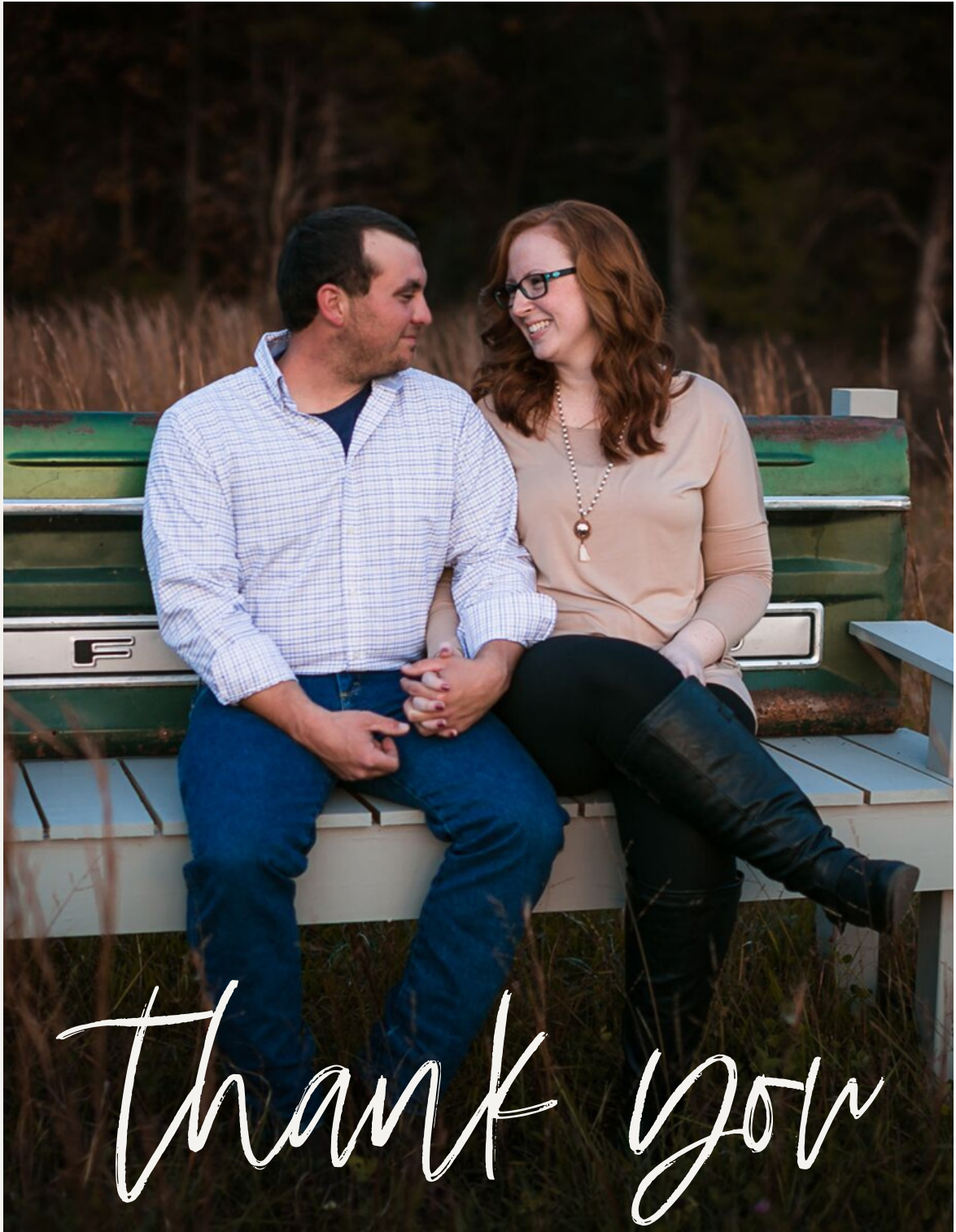
**Bennett loves anything with wheels**



## THESE TWO CAN'T WAIT FOR ANOTHER BEST FRIEND!

Bennett and Rosie were best friends while Bennett was still in utero. Rosie would herd Anna to the couch to sit down, and lay her head next to Bennett in her belly. Once Bennett was born, Rosie named herself his special protector. They like to always be in each other's sight, and communicate with each other in their own special way. Rosie loves to chase tennis balls, and Bennett loves to throw them for her. They have a true sibling relationship.

Rosie's favorite spot at meal time and play time is right next to Bennett. She gets lots of extra snacks at meal time and lots of extra love the rest of the time. Together they have so much love to give, and they cannot wait to share it with their new sibling.



If you choose to make your child a part of our family, please know that they will always be loved and respected. They will be given the opportunity and support to grow and explore their interests and identity. We appreciate your thoughtfulness when considering our family. We pray you are blessed with peace, strength, and comfort throughout this difficult journey.