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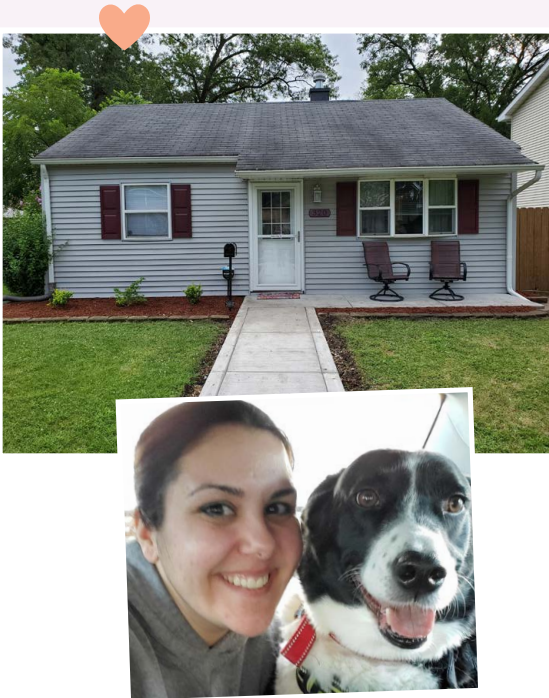
MY JOURNEY TO ADOPTION



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ABOUT ME

I work as a Human Resources Specialist for a non-profit that helps children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. I absolutely love what I do, but it is more about the people I work with and the clients we help. I love having a group of people to connect with, whether it is coworkers, friends, or family. I am very caring and have a lot of empathy for people. I enjoy getting to know them and learning from their stories. My parents tell me I am one of the strongest people they know. I was raised to be generous and kind, and I learned that directly from them and my grandparents. I consider myself pretty lucky because I have an amazing mom and dad, wonderful siblings, and very loyal and supportive friends.



MY HOME & PETS

I moved into my house about five years ago with hopes that I would be bringing a baby into it someday. My town in Indiana is so diverse and community focused. There are always activities happening on the main street, and we have a bike path that connects the towns nearby. I am also close to a city, so I have a nice balance of city life and small community life. I adopted an older dog, Techno, who loves the water and stuffed animals. He and I have been a small family for a couple years now, and we are ready to add a baby to our warm and cozy house. I imagine taking walks on the bike path and pushing a baby in a stroller with Techno on a leash keeping watch over us.

WHAT LED ME TO ADOPTION

Adoption has been something I've been excited about for a long time. When I was 25 years old, I was told giving birth would be difficult and even dangerous for me. It was hard at first, but knowing that it wouldn't stop me from being a mother was very encouraging. I have friends who were adopted and friends who have adopted, and I've seen nothing but happiness and love in their growing families. I'm so excited to start this journey for myself and finally be the mother I was born to be.



MY
PHOTOS



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KRISTEN

OCCUPATION: Human Resources Specialist

EDUCATION: Bachelor's degree

RACE: Caucasian

RELIGION: Catholic/Spiritual

♥ MY FAVORITE...

SPORT: Baseball, volleyball

HOBBY: Creating picture books, jigsaw puzzles, crafts

TRADITION: Making pierogis at Christmastime

MUSICAL GROUP: Anything but country

FAMILY ACTIVITY: Playing cards, going in the pool

ANIMAL: Dogs

SUBJECT IN SCHOOL: Art, gym

BOOK: *Twilight*

MY FAMILY & TRADITIONS

My family is so special. My parents have been married for over 46 years and cannot wait to be first-time grandparents! They really taught us what love is and how to be supportive, dependable, and kind. My older sister has been married for 17 years, and she and her husband are amazing dog parents. My not-so-little brother is the main source of humor for our family. He is loyal, energetic, and fun and is already buying the baby Pokemon toys.

My mom's side of the family is very small. We were the only grandkids, so we were spoiled by our grandma and aunt and uncle. My dad's side is full of cousins and babies. I really have the best of both worlds!

My family is so excited for this next chapter in all our lives. They know how long I've wanted to be a mom. The support and enthusiasm has been overwhelmingly beautiful. We are all so excited!



DEAR EXPECTANT MOTHER



As I think about all the things I want to say to you, I tear up in gratitude. Adoption is the most selfless act in the world. There are so many women who wish to be mothers but cannot be. I can't imagine what a difficult decision this must be for you, and I hope I can somehow help make that decision easier by telling you that you could make my dreams come true. I have wished for this moment on a shooting star.

I picture rocking a baby to sleep in my arms, pushing a little tot on the swings, and tearing up on their first day of school. I feel the love from my parents for their daughter and new grandbaby. I can see my siblings melting with love over their new niece or nephew. I feel all these things just from the consideration you are giving me.

If you choose me, your baby will be loved unconditionally and will not go one day without being taken care of with compassion. Most importantly, I can promise the love I give to your baby will be with gratitude to you every single day for picking me. It is so important for me that you know the things you are giving me just by reading my profile: hope, excitement, love, and gratitude. Those are not just words; those are strong emotions, and they are not possible without your kindest gift. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

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