Mallory & Patrick

OUR STORY





ABOUT US

We are a fun and loving couple who have been married for nine years. Mallory works from home as a data analyst, and Patrick owns a professional land surveying business. Mallory enjoys baking and decorating cakes and cookies, reading, and swimming. Pat enjoys working on the house, golfing, and boating with friends. Along with our sons, we love to play games and go camping with family as well as spending time with our friends and traveling. We grew up in small towns near each other and met while floating on the river shortly after Mallory graduated from high school. We became fast friends, bonding over our love of Hawkeye football. We attended college together and grew closer as time went on. We began dating after five years of friendship. Now, nearly ten years into our marriage, we make it a point to continue dating to keep building both our friendship and our love.





OUR HOME & PET

We live on a two-acre lot in a large house with five bedrooms and three and a half bathrooms. We have a love of movies, so we finished a home theater in our basement recently. Our community is unique in that during the off-season, we have a small, tight-knit community. During the summer, we become a tourist destination with many activities available. We love to utilize the many golf courses, playgrounds, an amusement park, minigolf courses, and sand volleyball courts. Growing up in a small lowa town gives the opportunity to form close relationships from a young age that can last a lifetime.





OUR ADOPTION STORY

Since we started dating, we knew we wanted to have children but that it might be difficult due to hormonal complications. Because of this, we started the foster care process in hopes to not only add to our family but to also help give a child a safe, loving home that they might not have had otherwise. We were able to foster both of our sons, Landyn and Sullivyn, for two years each prior to their adoptions. We were very fortunate in our foster care/adoption journal so far to develop a strong, respectful and trustworthy relationship with the boys' birthmother, who is a very important relationship in our lives.

our life together























Mallory



OCCUPATION: Data analyst

EDUCATION: Bachelor's degree in hospitality

RACE: Caucasian

RELIGION: Catholic

FAVORITE SPORT: Football

FAVORITE FOOD: Mexican Cheese Dip

HOBBY: Baking/decorating desserts

FAVORITE TRADITION: Baking Norwegian holiday desserts

MUSICAL GROUP: The Beatles

FAVORITE MOVIE: Newsies

DREAM VACATION: Scotland with family

FAVORITE HOLIDAY: Christmas

FAVORITE TV SHOW: Friends

FAVORITE SCHOOL SUBJECT: Culinary

FAVORITE BOOK: The Harry Potter series



GET TO KNOW

OCCUPATION: Professional land surveyor

EDUCATION: Bachelor's degree in business

RACE: Caucasian

RELIGION: Catholic

FAVORITE SPORT: Football

FAVORITE FOOD: Pizza

HOBBY: Golfing

FAVORITE TRADITION: Camping with family

MUSICAL GROUP: Garth Brooks

FAVORITE MOVIE: Classic Christmas movies

DREAM VACATION: Hawaii

FAVORITE HOLIDAY: Christmas

FAVORITE TV SHOW: The Big Bang Theory

FAVORITE SCHOOL SUBJECT: Art

FAVORITE BOOK: Any of the boys' books



our family & TRADITIONS

Patrick has a large family and is the middle child, with two older brothers and two younger sisters. Mallory also has a large family, with her late father being one of six children and her mother one of three. Mallory is the youngest, with an older brother and sister. We get together with our extended families for camping trips in the summer, holiday gatherings, and other special occasions. We enjoy playing games and spending time together.

During the holidays, we trek through the cold to handpick a tree every year from the local Christmas tree farm—the taller the tree, the better! We also get together with family to bake Norwegian Christmas goodies to give to our family and friends. Mallory used to work at Walt Disney World in Orlando, so one of our favorite traditions is to get together with the friends she made and go back to the Disney Parks to see how they've changed. We spend a lot of time with our siblings and parents, where there is no shortage of fun and laughter as well as love, support, and encouragement. Our whole family is so excited to add a little one to our traditions.













LEAN T EXPECTANT MOTHER



Let us start by saying the decision you are making is admirable, courageous, and so selfless. It takes a lot of strength to choose adoption for your child. We cannot fully explain how appreciative we are that you took the time to learn about us and to consider us as prospective parents. As you are making this decision, we want you to know we will care for and love your child unconditionally throughout his or her lifetime.

After struggling with infertility and already completing the adoption process through foster care twice, we are so excited to have the opportunity to expand our family through adoption once again. Our sons are looking forward to having a baby brother or sister to love, and as a family, we will provide a fun, loving, stable, and caring home for your child. We would love nothing more than to teach your child how to bake Norwegian goodies as well as learn to bake desserts and foods important to your heritage.

We look forward to getting to know you and having an open and thoughtful relationship as we build a lasting bond. We

are excited by the opportunity to provide your child with love, learning, and adventure throughout his or her life. We promise to provide a safe, nurturing, and fun family for your child. Thank you again for considering us as prospective parents. We are so happy you have given us a chance at becoming parents again.

MALLORY & PATRICK



