

JESSICA & JEFF

OUR ADOPTION JOURNEY



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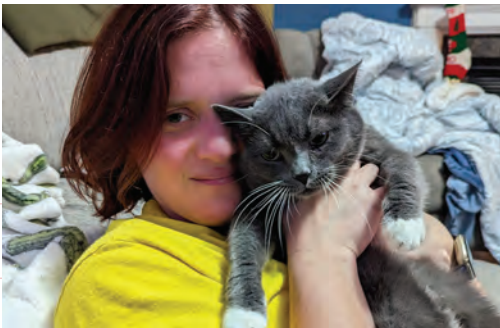
ABOUT US

We met in marching band in college, and we have been inseparable ever since. We are both engineers and will nerd out talking to each other about our day. We both love being outdoors. In the summer, you can find us in a tent, on a trail hiking, gardening, or on the water kayaking. In the winter, we love skiing, baking, playing games, and watching football. You can also find us creating music with one of the instruments we both continue to play. One of the things we are most looking forward to about having a child is watching them discover music and the joy creating it can bring. We are caring people who enjoy having fun learning, traveling, and just being us.



OUR HOME & PETS

We live in a small city in Ohio in a three-bedroom home. Our neighborhood is close and friendly. Our neighbors always say hello to us when we are out in the yard. They also have dogs who love to be petted and bark hello when they see us. The city square is welcoming all year round; it has a beautiful farmers market in the summer with lots of delicious produce and is decorated around the holidays. We have two indoor cats, Toast and Marshmallow. Both love to jump on our laps at night and cuddle. Marshmallow even plays fetch with us when he's in the mood. Toast is a cat that will climb up on your lap demanding attention and then purrs herself to sleep while keeping you warm.

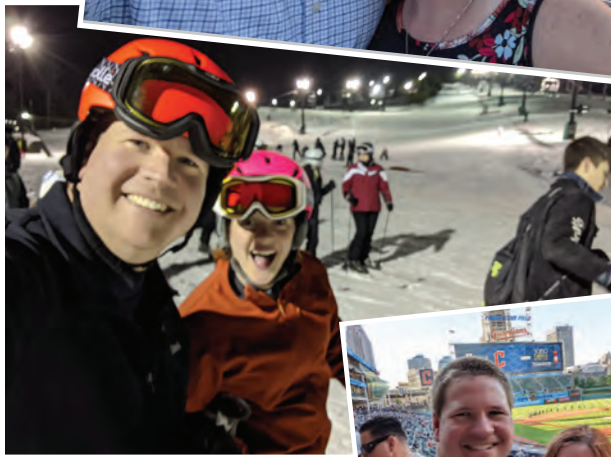


WHAT LED US TO ADOPTION

We have wanted to expand our family to spread some of the love we have for each other with another. We were led to adoption because of some fertility issues we have experienced and our exposure to friends who have also adopted. The idea of providing a home to someone and being able to add to our team is so exciting. Adoption gives us this opportunity and allows us to share our love to another person. Our friends who have adopted have been so happy with their experiences and encouraging as we venture into adoption.



OUR PHOTOS





JEFF

Occupation: Customer Program Manager

Education: MBA, BS Mechanical Engineering

Race: Caucasian

Religion: Christian

MY FAVORITE...

Sport: Football

Food: Butter chicken

Hobby: Music, 3-D printing, tinkering

Tradition: Reusable cloth birthday bags instead of wrapping

Musical Group: Bowling for Soup, Broadway recordings

Movie: *The Martian*, *Singing in the Rain*

Dream Vacation: Driving tour of Europe

Holiday: Memorial Day weekend

TV Show: *That 70's Show*

Subject in School: Band, physics

Book: *My Side of the Mountain*



JESSICA

Occupation: Project manager/design engineer

Education: Master's Eng. Management, BS Biomedical Engineering

Race: Caucasian

Religion: Christian

MY FAVORITE...

Sport: Football

Food: Tacos

Hobby: Cooking and baking

Tradition: Stuffing stockings on Christmas Eve

Musical Group: Weezer

Movie: *Moulin Rouge*, *The Producers*

Dream Vacation: New Zealand island tour

Holiday: Christmas

TV Show: *Grey's Anatomy*

Subject in School: Math, anatomy

Book: *The Lord of the Rings*

OUR FAMILY & TRADITIONS



Jessica has a twin sister who lives locally. They are still very close and spend a lot of time together doing things like walking her dog, Gandalf the Greyhound. Her parents also live close by and visit to celebrate life events and just to say hello. We also like to have fires in the summer and sit outside, play games, and enjoy the outdoors. Her dad always hosts a large pork dinner for New Year's Day, and no one goes home hungry. We also like to have fish fries and cookie baking days.

Jeff has a sister who lives in Indiana, and we see her several times a year. His parents live close by, and we spend time with them often doing things like seeing musicals and going to dinner. Jeff's mom always makes a delicious baked good for celebrations and goes all out for birthdays. Jeff's extended family lives all over the United States, but we meet up yearly for a family reunion. It is fun to see everyone and catch up on life's events. We also see a lot of them during our annual make-your-own-pizza celebration at Christmas.

DEAR EXPECTANT MOTHER



Dear Expectant Mother,

First, we want to express our love and support for the path you have chosen to go down with respect and support for your decision and would be honored to become part of your journey. We have hoped and prayed for the chance to raise a child with love, respect, and support and to nurture them as they grow into who they are meant to become. No child or parent is going to be perfect; we will learn and grow with this child, and they will be supported and encouraged to excel wherever they find their passion. With our professions, we are lifelong learners, and we hope to impress that love of learning on this young child.

Thank you for considering adoption. We do hope we are the right fit for your adoption plan, but we hope that in the end, you find the perfect family.

With sincerest thanks,

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