



OUR STORY

RAYMOND + CHRISTINA



ABOUT US

Both of us are very laidback, goofy, and funny. We like to keep things lighthearted. While Christina's nursing career is a passion for her, she also enjoys gardening, cooking, creating art, and fishing. We love to try new places, such as unique restaurants and different activities around town, while also sticking to our favorite spots, such as baseball games, the zoo, fishing and camping at the lake, and visiting the local you-pick community garden. Raymond loves to build and paint models in his free time. We are both a little mix of sassy, funny, and nerdy all in one. We love movie nights, especially Marvel and DC movies.

OUR HOME + PETS

We live in Arizona, so hiking, fishing, and pretty much anything outdoors is daily life out here. Our favorite activities are fishing and camping. We have a very large park that is walking distance from our house. We recently moved to a larger house and new neighborhood with an excellent school district. We have six dogs, all of which are a big part of our family. Several of our dogs are elderly and don't join us as much in our adventures. In our spare time, we compete in dog shows, swim in the pool, or go hiking on the mountain trails. We also have several fish tanks with a variety of fish in them.



WHAT LED US TO ADOPTION

Our adoption journey started a few years ago when we took temporary custody of Christina's 13-year-old nephew. During that time, we started thinking about having a child of our own. We really enjoyed taking care of our nephew and having a child in the house. We started looking at fertility treatments and found out Christina is not able to conceive. We then decided to adopt. Family is very important to us both, and we are super excited to grow our family and welcome a little bundle of joy into our growing family.



RAYMOND

OCCUPATION: Quality Control Analyst III

EDUCATION: Bachelor of Applied Science

RACE: Caucasian

RELIGION: Christian

SPORT: Baseball

FOOD: Pizza, Mexican, Chinese, steak

HOBBY: Tabletop games

TRADITION: Christmas Eve party

MUSICAL GROUP: Megadeth

MOVIE: Stargate, Godzilla

DREAM VACATION: Germany

HOLIDAY: Halloween

TV SHOW: Stargate SG1, MasterChef

SUBJECT IN SCHOOL: Science

BOOK: Dresden Files book series



CHRISTINA

OCCUPATION: ICU RN

EDUCATION: Bachelor's degree in nursing science

RACE: Caucasian

RELIGION: Christian

SPORT: Baseball

FOOD: Fruit, Chinese, Mediterranean, vegetables, steak

HOBBY: Dog shows, drawing, painting, gardening, fishing

TRADITION: Christmas and Thanksgiving parties

MUSICAL GROUP: Tones and I

MOVIE: The Odyssey, Gone with the Wind

DREAM VACATION: Alaskan cruise/fishing trip

HOLIDAY: Christmas

TV SHOW: Grey's Anatomy, The Walking Dead

SUBJECT IN SCHOOL: Science

BOOK: The Odyssey





OUR FAMILY

& TRADITIONS

Christina has a sister, half-sister, brother, step-brother, and step-sisters as well as several nephews and two nieces. She also has a mother, father, and stepfather. Most of her extended family lives in Germany, where her mother and brother are from.

Raymond has a sister who has a family of her own, including three nephews we love to spend time and do activities with, such as taking them to the zoo or just having family gatherings at the house. His mother and stepfather both visit occasionally and love spending time with everyone on the off days.

Spending time with both families is very important to us and we do it often, whether that is just going to lunch, walking around the mall, or having everyone over for a BBQ and pool party. We love hosting get-togethers and just having a blast with family and friends.





DEAR EXPECTANT MOTHER,

We first want to thank you for considering us for the opportunity to grow our family and extend our hearts to your baby. We understand this decision is a difficult one, and we are so happy and proud that you are considering us for this wonderful gift. This gift would mean the world to us and our family, who are all hoping to find that special little person to join our loving family. Family is very important to both of us, and we have always pictured ourselves surrounded by kids. Unfortunately, having a biological child hasn't been in the cards for us, but in a wonderful turn of events, it has led us to you.

We are so excited to open our home to your little bundle of joy and pass down our life experiences and joys to this little one. We picture spending cold Arizona nights in front of the fireplace watching a movie with all the dogs cuddling around us or taking a day trip to the zoo and watching all the animals. We picture our family getting together and our new bundle of joy surrounded by the whole family. We are so excited to visit Grandma and Grandpa on the farm in Illinois or go camping and fishing by the lake.

This precious gift means so much to us, and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for considering us.

With love,

Raymond and Christina



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