



# JENNIFER and ANDE



#### **ABOUT US**

Hi! We're Jennifer and Ande, a fun-loving couple from Texas, though we originally hail from Illinois. Our story began in 2007 when we met in college through mutual friends. A twist of fate brought us closer together, and we've been inseparable ever since!

We've faced life's ups and downs as a team, always finding joy in new experiences and adventures. In 2021, we took a leap of faith and moved across the country to Texas. It's been an incredible journey that has brought us even closer as a family. We love exploring our new surroundings and discovering hidden gems around our community.

We believe in living life to the fullest, whether it's through epic game nights or sampling snacks from around the world. We are all about laughter, play and making the most of every moment.

### **OUR HOME**

We call Texas home, living in a vibrant new-build community filled with families and a great school district. There's always something exciting happening nearby, giving us endless adventures to explore. Sure, the weather can get pretty toasty, but we make the most of it with pool days and sprinkler runs!

Our backyard is our personal playground – it's huge! We've got two awesome climbers for the kids and tons of outdoor games. It's our favorite spot to hang out and have fun. We did lose our beloved pup recently, which was tough, but we're looking forward to the day we can welcome a new furry friend into our family.

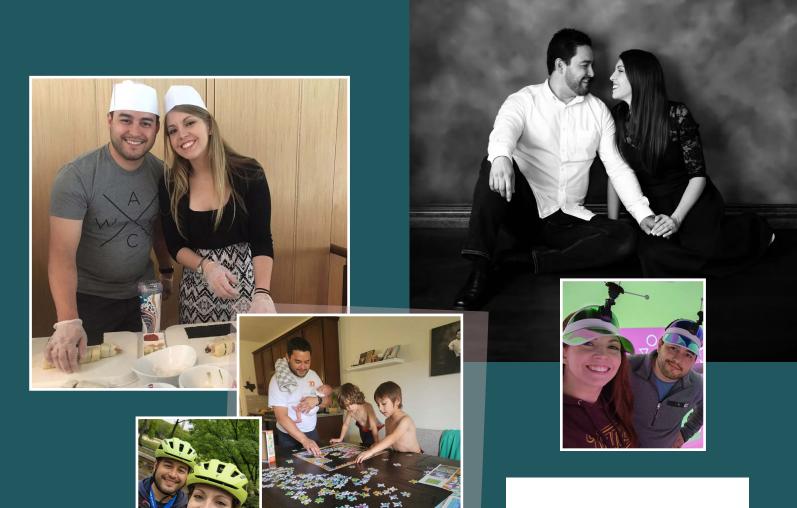
#### WHAT LED US TO ADOPTION

We've always dreamed of having a big family and adoption has been on our minds since day one. Right now, we have three amazing kids who light up our lives. They adore each other, and our two oldest are already campaigning for another sibling. (Our youngest just turned one and can't get enough of his big brothers!)

Our third pregnancy was a bit of a rollercoaster, with Jenn facing post-partum preeclampsia and a hospital stay. Thankfully, the doctors worked their magic, but we realized another pregnancy would be too risky. That's when we knew adoption was our path to completing our family. It's like the universe gave us a nudge, and we're so excited to welcome a new member into our loving crew!







### OUR LIFE together



## GET TO KNOW Jennifer

**Occupation:** EMR Applications

Analyst

**Education:** Bachelor's Degree

Race: Caucasian

**Religion:** Non-denominational

**Sport:** Hockey

**Food:** Pulled pork

**Hobby:** Playing games

Family Tradition: Family movie

nights

Musical Group: Aerosmith

Movie: Armageddon

**Dream Vacation:** Month-long

trip across Europe

**Holiday:** Halloween

**TV Show:** Friends

Subject in School: Math

**Book:** Harry Potter











Occupation: Building &

Facilities Manager

**Education:** Bachelor's degree

Race: Caucasian

**Religion:** Non-denominational

**Sport:** Football

Food: Chicken pot pie

**Hobby:** Fishing

Family Tradition: Trick-or-

treating

Musical Group: Linkin Park

Movie: V for Vendetta

**Dream Vacation:** Bora Bora

**Holiday:** Christmas

**TV Show:** *Game of Thrones* 

**Subject in School:** Geometry

**Book:** The Shadow of the Wind



Family is everything to us, and we're lucky to have Jenn's mom and brothers nearby in Texas. Jenn's mom lives right next door, which is a dream come true! Our kids love dashing over to her house after school for snacks and board games – it's like having a second home. Jenn's brothers are close too, and we cherish our time with them. We often join her older brother's family for our niece and nephew's sporting events, and they do the same for our kids. The cousins, though a bit older, are fantastic at looking out for our little ones.

Ande's family is in Illinois, so we make trips there whenever we can. Most of our time is spent with Ande's mom and sister, and the kids adore their FaceTime sessions with grandma. It's always a highlight for them!

Jenn's brother's in-laws are like bonus grandparents to our kids. They shower them with love and treat them like their own grandchildren. We feel incredibly blessed to have such a supportive and loving extended family.







Dear Mother,

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to introduce ourselves and share a glimpse into our family!

We understand that considering adoption for your child is an incredibly difficult decision, and we deeply respect the courage and love it takes. If you choose us, please know that we will cherish your child with all our hearts, just as we do our own. We promise to ensure they always feel the immense love from both you and us. We're open to whatever level of communication you feel comfortable with and want to honor your wishes in this journey.

We've been married for ten wonderful years and together for 16, navigating life's highs and lows side by side. These experiences have only strengthened our bond and our commitment to our children. They are the center of our world, and we strive to give them a life filled with love, joy, and endless fun.

The thought of expanding our family through adoption fills us with excitement. Our children are just as thrilled at the idea of welcoming a new sibling. Sharing this journey with them has been heartwarming, and their eagerness and love for a new sibling through adoption is truly inspiring. We can't wait to embark on this beautiful journey and grow our family.

Thank you again for considering us. We are honored and grateful for your consideration.



