

# MICHAEL *and* CARLOS



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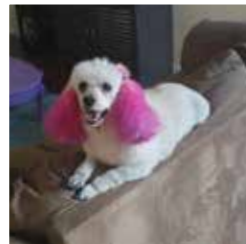
# about us



Hello and thank you for taking the time to visit our profile. We are a family of artists, adventurers, healthcare providers, smiles, and a little dog too! We have been married for 10 years this October. We met online in 2013. After a whirlwind long-distance romance, Carlos moved to Las Vegas so we could start our lives. Over the years, we have managed to collect a quirky, loving, chosen family in Las Vegas. Michael is an RN case manager at one of our local emergency rooms. Some of his interests include collecting records, tending to his house plants, prepping for Halloween, cooking, and playing video games. Carlos is an endodontic dental assistant. Carlos grew up in San Diego. He speaks Spanish, Portuguese, and German. Always the adventurer, his hobbies include 5K races, traveling, and riding his bike. His nose is also often found in a book, and he enjoys sour candy.

## OUR HOME + PETS

We have one dog, Liberty. Our 15-year-old poodle-bichon mix is our sweet grandma. She's a loyal dog who has been with our family for 10 years. We like to call her our alarm clock, as she's ready to start the morning, when she sees the sunlight. We live in a five-bedroom home with a nice-sized backyard. We are located within walking distance of nearby schools, parks, hospitals, restaurants, and shopping areas. Our home is full of art, and music, with a nerdy twist.

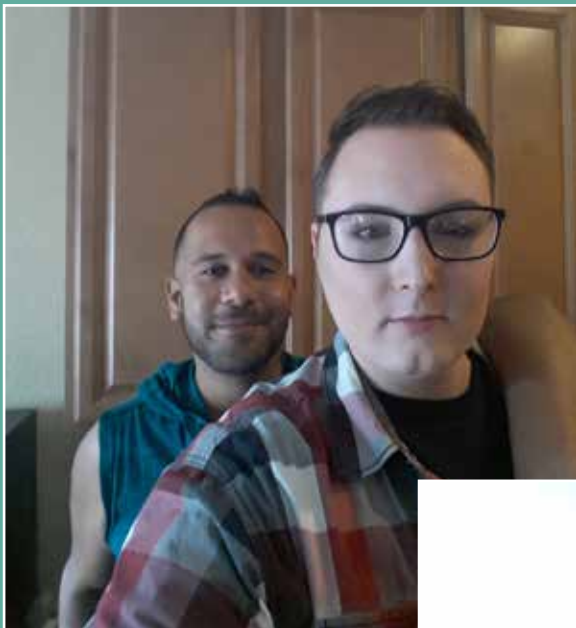


## WHAT LED US TO ADOPTION

Coming from families where we were the oldest, caring for our siblings, starting a family was a must for us. Before marriage, we would dream about having a family of our own one day. We were witnesses to a close friend's adoption journey, and knew this was the path to follow to meet our goals. If being everyone's favorite "guncles" has taught us anything, it is that we are ready to grow our love, by growing our family.







**OUR LIFE**

*together*



## GET TO KNOW

Michael

**Occupation:** Nurse

**Education:** Associates Degree

**Race:** White

**Sport:** Tennis

**Food:** Pretzels

**Hobby:** Video games and  
Reading

**Family Tradition:** Yearly trip to  
Michigan

**Musical Group:** P!nk

**Movie:** *Killer Klowns from outer  
space*

**Dream Vacation:** London

**Holiday:** Halloween

**TV Show:** *Fairy Tail* (anime)

**Subject in School:** Science

**Book:** *House of Leaves*



## GET TO KNOW

Carlos

**Occupation:** Dental assistant

**Education:** Some college

**Race:** Hispanic

**Sport:** Track and cycling

**Food:** Pizza

**Hobby:** Reading

**Family Tradition:** Yearly races

**Musical Group:** Oasis

**Movie:** *The Goonies*

**Dream Vacation:** Mauritius

**Holiday:** Halloween

**TV Show:** *Golden Girls*

**Subject in School:** History

**Book:** *Peter Pan*







# OUR FAMILY

## *and traditions*

Michael is the oldest of three brothers, and grew up in Michigan. His parents, Donna and Robert, are still married. Both of his brothers are married, with children of their own. His family is still in Michigan, and they visit at least twice a year. They are a board/card-playing family, with nights spent around the table laughing.

Carlos is the oldest of three—one brother, one sister—who live in San Diego. As an Army brat, Carlos' family moved all over the U.S., from Hawaii to Virginia. Carlos' big family (40 cousins) is spread out throughout the country. Carlos's family gathers once a year for a family reunion in San Diego, which has been going on since the 1970s.

Our chosen family living nearby is our immediate support system—everyone coming together from different backgrounds and ethnicities, from artists to scientists, sharing one common goal: supporting each other!



dear  
**EXPECTANT  
MOTHER**



**To A Loving Mother,**

As you make this decision, we thank you for considering us. We know this decision will be incredibly difficult for you. Our promise to you is this: We will love your child unconditionally. We will always treat them so that what they say matters and so that their ideas are valued. We hope that if we do so, they will feel that “anything is possible.” We will share their birth story with them, because we understand the importance of family and understanding identity. We want them to know who they are and where they come from. The life your child will have with us will be filled with big family parties, French toast, lots of karaoke nights, a supportive community, great Halloween costumes, and most importantly, love.

We hope to encourage courage and kindness, to live a whimsical life full of laughter, and inspiration. We know our family can help them chase dreams and grow without judgment. There is always someone to provide loving support. Thank you again for your time! This opportunity is truly impossible without you. We will be forever grateful to you. We send all our love, and Liberty says “Hi.”

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