Stephen Heather



OUR JOURNEY TO ADOPTION





about us

Hi — we're Stephen and Heather.

We're a fun-loving, quirky couple who balance each other out in the best ways. Stephen served 16 years in the military and is now finishing aviation mechanic school. He's steady, loyal, and secretly super competitive on game nights!

Heather works in healthcare, focused on reducing disparities and creating safe spaces for the LGBTQ+ community. She's full of heart, always up for an adventure, and fiercely compassionate.

We love spending weekends at farmers markets, cheering at sporting events, or finding local festivals to explore. Laughter is a big part of our life, and our home is filled with love, support, and silliness.

OUR HOME + PETS

We live in Texas. It's a place full of life, diversity, and opportunity. Our neighborhood is filled with families, friendly neighbors, and is the kind of place where kids still ride bikes in the street.

We're close to vibrant cities filled with world-class museums, parks, sports, and schools, yet we're rooted in a quieter, family-friendly town with good schools and plenty of green space to play and grow. There's always something to explore—and we dream of doing it all with a little one by our side.

Oliver, our Giant Schnauzer is eager to have a new best friend to protect and snuggle. Oliver is gentle, playful, and loveable. We know he'll be the kind of best friend every child dreams of growing up with.



WHAT LED US TO ADOPTION

We've dreamed of becoming parents for what feels like a lifetime—through heartbreak, hope, and endless waiting. Years of infertility brought moments of joy shadowed by deep disappointment, yet our love for a child never wavered.

Though our journey hasn't followed the path we imagined, it has brought us to you, and with you, a renewed sense of hope.

We're nervous—this is vulnerable, opening our hearts like this—but we're certain in our belief that this is meant to be. A beautiful child is out there, and we're ready to love them with everything we have.

Thank you for considering us to be part of this incredible journey.

OUR LIFE

together













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MORE ABOUT...

Stephen

OCCUPATION Master at Arms US Navy Veteran/

Student Aviation Mechanic

EDUCATION Highschool

RACE Black/African American

RELIGION Christian

SPORT Football

FOOD Pizza and Sushi (not together)

HOBBY Reading

TRADITION Beach Vacation to Wildwood

MUSICAL GROUP Coldplay and The Gap Band

MOVIE Inception

DREAM VACATION Any Beach

HOLIDAY Christmas

TV SHOW The Office

SUBJECT IN SCHOOL Science

BOOK The Wandering Inn



Heather



OCCUPATION Medical Office Administrator

EDUCATION Bachelors

RACE White

RELIGION Christian

SPORT Softball/Baseball

FOOD Mom's Beef Stroganof

HOBBY Gardening

TRADITION 4th of July Fireworks/Parade/BBC

MUSICAL GROUP SZA and Post Malone

MOVIE Love and Basketball

DREAM VACATION Snorkeling Great Barrier Reef

HOLIDAY 4th of July

TV SHOW The Office

SUBJECT IN SCHOOL Math

BOOK Harry Potter

OUR EXTENDED

families



Our story is one rooted in love, resilience, and connection. Heather grew up in the beautiful mountains of Montana, surrounded by extended family, wide open spaces, and a deep appreciation for the outdoors. She's incredibly close to her parents, who have been happily married for 39 years—a bond that has always guided her through life. Her younger brother was her first friend, and their childhood was filled with travel sports, camping trips, holidays with cousins, and backyard adventures.

Stephen grew up in a big, loving family as the fourth of five children. Though his parents divorced when he was young, both remain active, supportive presences in our lives. His upbringing was loud, lively, and full of heart—surrounded by cousins, aunts, uncles, and a large extended family that made every holiday, birthday, and beach vacation into a cherished memory.

Stephen's military career has taken us across the country and introduced us to a wonderfully diverse community of friends and cultures. No matter where we've lived, we've found chosen family in every place. At the core of our lives is the belief that family is everything—whether it's the one you're born into or the one you build.





DEAR expectant mother

BRAVE AND BEAUTIFUL MAMA,

First and foremost, we want to acknowledge the strength, courage, and love that it takes to even consider an adoption plan for your child. We cannot begin to imagine the weight of this decision, but please know we hold you in our hearts with immense respect and compassion. No matter where your journey leads, we are grateful beyond words that you are taking a moment to learn about us.

We know adoption is not about us "getting" a child. It is about a child gaining a loving, secure, and supportive family—and about you, their birth mother, being seen, respected, and honored every step of the way. If you choose us, we promise that your child will grow up knowing the incredible love and sacrifice that brought them into our lives. They will know their story began with courage.

We can't promise to be perfect parents—but we can promise to be present, devoted, nurturing ones. We will celebrate your child's every success, comfort them in every struggle, and raise them to be kind, confident, and deeply loved.

Our home is filled with laughter, music, warmth, and the kind of unconditional love that never wavers.

Thank you for considering us. Thank you for seeing the possibility of something beautiful in what we know is a very complex, emotional decision. Whatever you choose, we hope you feel supported, at peace, and proud of the love you are showing your child.

WITH ALL OUR HEARTS

Stephen & Heather