Hans and Caithin

GROWING OUR FAMILY





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OUR LOVE STORY

Our love story began when we met at 16. We shared a long, slow-burn friendship—one of us always seemed to have a crush on the other but the timing was never quite right. After Hans joined the military, deployed quickly with his first unit in Alaska. It wasn't until Thanksgiving of 2005, when Hans came home to visit on his move from Alaska to North Carolina that everything changed. The stars aligned, we fell in love and to say we were excited to finally start our journey together is an understatement!

That said, our beginning wasn't easy. Hans deployed again shortly after we got together and the first 10 months of our relationship were spent talking on the phone from thousands of miles apart. It was incredibly difficult but it also helped us build a strong foundation rooted in communication, trust and resilience.

After Caitlin graduated college, she moved to North Carolina to be with Hans and the rest is history. Every challenge has only made us stronger and we're so grateful for the life and love we've built together!

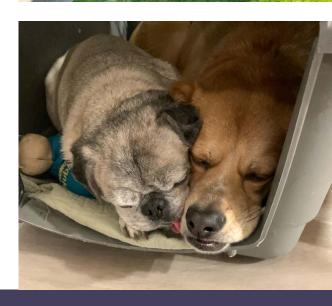
OUR HOME AND NEIGHBORHOOD

Our home is a 3 bed, 2 bath 1 story home with a fully fenced backyard full of flowers, apple and plum bushes! Our house offers a ton of natural light and with the neutral paint colors; we hope our home offers a comfy and cozy vibe where someone can grab a book, curl up on the couch with a cup of hot cocoa, turn on the fireplace and just hang out.

Our neighborhood was started in 2017 and our house is located on the first street that was added to the development. We have a neighborhood playground and basketball court along with a few walking trails, a wildlife refuge where there are birds chirping all year, frogs ribbiting and sometimes we'll also see a bald Eagle fly by.

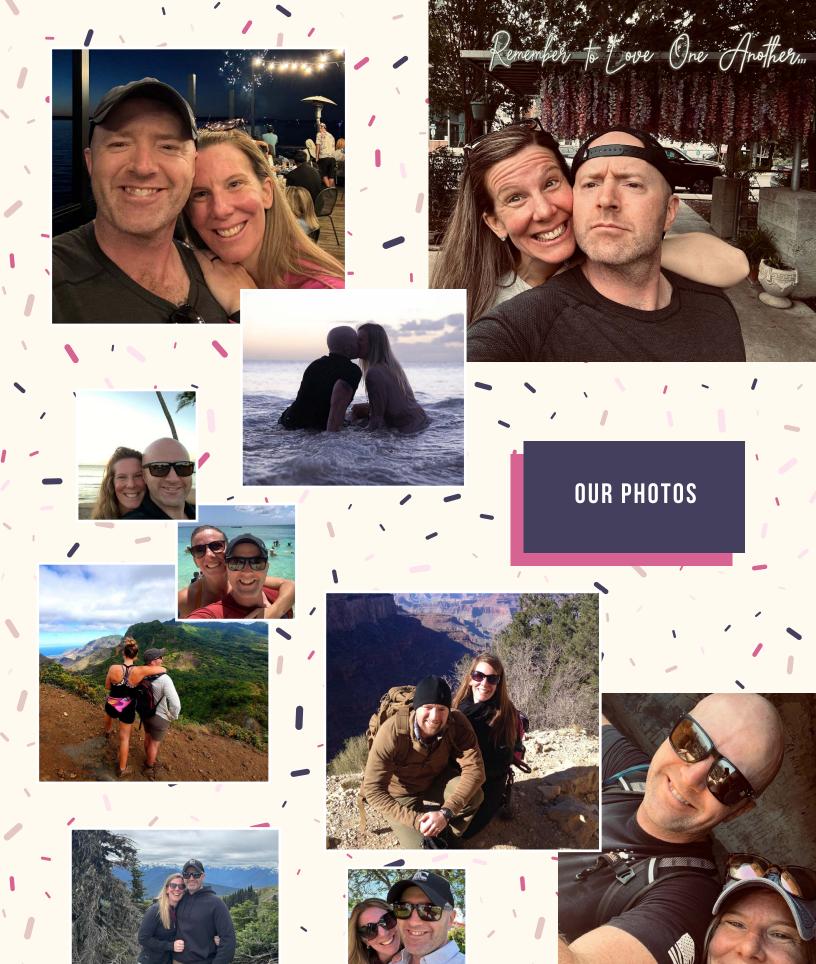






OUR LIFESTYLE

We love the outdoors and live a very active lifestyle. We try to make the most of every season, whether it's hiking in the summer or skiing our buns off during the winter. We try to experience new things wherever we are. Hans fell in love with scuba diving in Hawaii, Cait fell in love with hiking in Colorado and we found out we both love cruises while living in Louisiana! We love to travel, see new places and have learned to crave a sense of adventure. We'd be thrilled to share our lives with your child as we continue on our journey.





more about CAITLIN

Occupation: Account Manager

in Tech Sales

Education: Bachelor of Arts

Race: Caucasian / White

Religion: Non Religious

Sport: Watch: Football

Play: Soccer

Food: Seafood

Hobby: Hiking, Reading,

Working Out

Family Tradition: Anything to

do with Christmas time!

Musical Group: Garth Brooks

Movie: Entire Harry Potter

series

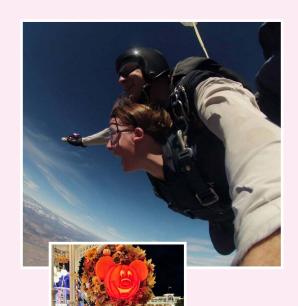
Dream Vacation: A month long backpacking tour through Europe to end with an epic cruise in the Mediterranean.

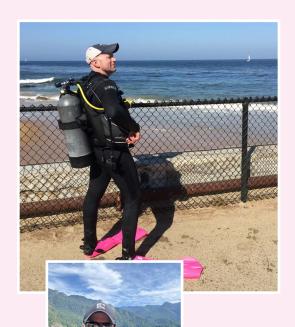
Holiday: Christmas

TV Show: Amazing Race

Subject in School: English

Book: *Throne of Glass* series





more about HANS

Occupation: Military Medical

Professional

Education: Master of Science

Race: Caucasian / White

Religion: Agnostic

Sport: Football, weightlifting,

skiing

Food: Steak

Hobby: Playing poker

Family Tradition: Epic Turkey

day

Musical Group: Metallica

Movie: All Martin Scorsese films

Dream Vacation: *Epic* 70-day

cruise

Holiday: Halloween &

Thanksgiving

TV Show: Breaking Bad

Subject in School: Biology

Book: Stephen King Novels



AND FRIENDS

Cait's family is of Irish-Italian descent. As you can imagine, they are a strong-willed and a spicy bunch! Cait's Mom and Dad are ready to open their front door to talk your ear off while they overfeed you and say it's "our year" for the Buffalo Bills to win the Superbowl.

Hans' family is of German, Swedish and mixed-European descent. It seems that Hans' love of symmetry and pragmatism is genetic! Hans attributes his love of art and nature to his Dad. Hans learned his sense of compassion from his Mom, and naturally was drawn to a career in medicine.

We're fortunate to have a close-knit and joyful extended family, complete with grandparents, aunts, uncles, great-aunts and great uncles and 5 energetic cousins who are all ready to share their love of baseball, soccer, playing with Legos and traveling to an immersive world of llamas, unicorns and dinosaurs.

our letter to you



We'd like to start by expressing our gratitude and recognition of your strength in this difficult choice. We will always honor and respect your story of courage, selflessness and the love of your child that lead you towards the path of adoption. Your choice will always be respected and acknowledged as your child continues to grow with us.

Hans' time in the military taught us that family often isn't determined by birth, but who you choose to share your experiences with. It was also during this time that Cait discovered her passion for volunteering with CASA, a children's advocacy and support group in San Antonio. It was after this time that we began desiring to grow our own family, but unfortunately weren't able to medically. After numerous conversations, we ultimately realized adoption was a perfect fit and may have always been on the roadmap for us.

We recognize the difficult choice in front of you. Should you choose us as parents, our promise to you is to always provide a safe home filled with unconditional love, laughter and opportunity. We will cherish your child and encourage them to grow through curiosity, kindness, and a confidence in pursuing their dreams. In choosing us, your child will grow up knowing their story, their roots, and the strength of your love that brought them into our lives.

We hope you feel assured that your child would be deeply loved and supported at all times with the family you've chosen for their future. Thank you for considering us!

Hans & Caitlin



