

Hello we are...  
Robert and Amanda





## *Our Hopes and Dreams...*

Although we can't imagine what you felt when you found out you were pregnant, we are grateful that you are making an adoption plan. Regardless if you chose us to parent your child, your child will provide a family endless joy.

We have been trying to start our family for over 8 years, and hope to have at least two children so that our child has a sibling to share that special connection, a friendship. If you select us to parent your child, your child will be cared for and loved beyond measure. They will have a warm, loving, happy, and stable environment in which to learn and grow. We promise to always love and care for them. We will always be available to them whenever they need us. We promise to cherish them and make wonderful lasting memories. Memories of fun filled vacations, days and nights spent playing as a family, Saturdays when we make homemade pancakes together and go for walks, Sundays after church taking an afternoon nap, and starting our own holiday traditions.

If you select us as your child's adoptive family, you will always be cherished. Your selfless blessing allowed us to create the family we have longed for, the family we hoped and prayed for, the family we've dreamed about.

We pray for you and your child, for your health and well-being.

Sincerely,

*Robert & Amanda*

  
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## Our values and beliefs as parents...



Stability is the key to confidence. We want our child to know that no matter what, we will always be by their side. We will support their ideas, hopes and dreams, encourage them in all they do, and try to be their guide. We will always be available to listen and give advice when asked.

Our faith in God is a very big part of our lives. Prayer time will be a part of our days. We want our child to believe in the power of prayer and always know that with God all things are possible. We attend church services regularly and always make time for our own daily devotions which is usually in the evening as we wind down from our busy day. Our faith has helped us through challenges, big and small, we know if we rely on Him everything will work out.

Education is very important to us. Our community offers excellent public and private schools which will be considered when the time comes for our child to attend school. We want the best learning environment for our child and will do whatever is best for them.



Education is a tool for a better future. We believe education continues once the child has left the classroom. There are learning opportunities everywhere from your home, the grocery store, and by just exploring outdoors. We feel college is also a very important tool to furthering your education and providing for a productive future. We will encourage our child to attend college in a field they enjoy. With Robert's love of sports, our child will most definitely be introduced to sports. We will encourage them, although not pressure them, to participate in a sport of their choice. Amanda's love of cooking and baking will also be introduced to our child. We will always encourage our child to seek out any activity they enjoy.



We enjoy going on vacations. Vacations give us family time to have fun and let loose while having time away from our everyday routines. We've made it a tradition to travel to the same destination every summer; we enjoy the serenity of being in the mountains, hearing the creek trickle by from our hotel balcony, and seeing and feeding the ducks below. We are very excited to continue this tradition with our child.

We believe that experiencing new things is a part of growing up and becoming the people we are. We will encourage our child to try new things no matter how hard they may seem, while always keeping their safety a top priority. We look forward to teaching our child to swim, ride a bicycle, fish, roller skate and many other fun activities. We will encourage our child to always try their best in all they do.

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## A little more about us...

- Both non-smokers
- Family dogs

### HOBBIES:

#### **Adoptive Mother:**

Reading, gardening, taking walks, spending time with family and friends

#### **Adoptive Father:**

Basketball (watching and playing), softball, spending time with family and friends

#### **Family:**

We have a vegetable garden we enjoy working in, doing yard work, going to the movies, bowling, spending time with family and friends and vacationing

### PROFESSIONS:

**Adoptive Mother:** Hostess

**Adoptive Father:** Engineer

### EDUCATION LEVEL:

**Adoptive Mother:** Associates Degree

**Adoptive Father:** Bachelors Degree

## Our home...

We live in a quiet subdivision with friendly neighbors and lots of children. Our neighborhood is perfect for long walks during the warmer weather months! Our home is cozy and bright with a spacious backyard which has a vegetable garden and plenty of room for a child's swing set, sandbox, and outdoor toys. When you walk into our home it's usually filled with delicious smells from Amanda's cooking or baking, like the smell of chocolate chip cookies fresh from the oven. Robert can be found "tinkering" around the house with different home improvement projects. Our favorite part of the day is in the evening when we enjoy just being together, chatting about our day, and eating dinner together.

We look forward to incorporating a child in our lives and home. We look forward to filling our home with childish squeals, giggles, and toys. We look forward to experiencing holidays, birthdays, parties, and everyday life with them. Thinking about watching our child blow out their birthday candles, open presents, and entertaining our guests with their funny antics and humor just warms our hearts and brings a smile to our faces.

We welcome the changes in our home and daily routines that will come with having a child; they will become more active and alive. Amanda looks forward to sharing mornings, her favorite time of day, to cuddle with their child, read a book or do some other quiet activity as they slowly wake up. Robert looks forward to spending time with their child in the evenings; doing things like playing in the sandbox, rolling a ball and when they get older playing basketball, catch, badminton, and other activities.

We look forward to a lifetime with our child.

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## Our family...

We met during high school while working at the same grocery store. We began dating in 1996 and have been together ever since. Although it rained all morning on our wedding day, we didn't let it put a "damper" on their special day. We believed that rain on your wedding day was good luck. By the time our reception was over the rain had stopped and the sun was beginning to set. A beautiful ending to a wonderful day. Rain did bring us luck, our relationship continues to get stronger and our friendship grows each and every day.



We are both close to our families as well. Although we don't see them regularly, we talk to them on the phone daily. We enjoy spending time with our three nephews when we can. During the summer they usually stay with us for a few days; we go see a movie at the local drive-in, explore the caves nearby, and enjoy splashing in our neighbor's pool. We look forward to doing these same activities with our own children, seeing their wide eyes as they discover the cave for the first time and watching their smile when they see the large pool filled with water.

We want to create lasting memories! Amanda remembers her mother baking Christmas cookies every Christmas for friends and neighbors. Now, Amanda enjoys doing the same thing. She hopes to pass this tradition on to their child. Robert's passion is watching college basketball. This is something Robert enjoyed doing with his grandfather for many years and hopes to pass on to their child.

Some of our friends and family have adopted children and have provided us with stories of hope and encouragement. We know that our child will be surrounded by love and support.



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