



Adam & Brooke







Graceful Adoptions

Our Hopes & Dreams

Thank you for taking the time to get know us through our profile. Being as we've been through the adoption process before we know this decision weighs heavily on your heart. Our hope is through these words and pictures you will come to know us and see the love we aspire to give a child.

We have known each other for most of our lives, but it took a mutual friend to formally introduce us in high school. More than 19 years ago we went on our first date. It was a group date and we have been inseparable ever since. We became engaged, got married and while we were still "newlyweds," we moved to Savannah, Georgia due to the relocation of Adam's job. We thought that moving six hundred miles away from everything we had ever known would be one of the most challenging times of our marriage. Instead, it was a blessing. We learned to rely solely on one another, and our marriage grew significantly. Once we had the opportunity to move back, we knew it was a great time to start our family.

As it turns out, God had bigger plans for us. Through our infertility, we were shown a different path that led us to adoption. Brooke's father was adopted, so we knew that having a biological child wasn't necessary to make our family complete. In 2015, our son's mother made the brave decision to allow us to parent him. He has brought us much joy, and we absolutely love being parents.

We are very grateful and feel privileged to have the opportunity to adopt another child. Our greatest wish is to raise a child in a loving, Christian home filled with trust and stability. He or she will be surrounded by an abundance of love from not only us, but from our family and friends as well. We will create a nurturing home and will encourage and support your child in becoming whomever he or she aspires to be.

When we began this process over five years ago, we don't think anyone could have prepared us for the emotions that came with it. The bond and love we have for our son's wonderful birth mom surpassed all of our expectations. We know this is a very difficult time for you, and we hope we can be as supportive and positive for you as possible through this journey. Please know that if you select us, your child will always know you and will be raised to respect and appreciate the selfless and loving sacrifice you are making. Many prayers are being said for you during this courageous time in your life.

Blessings,

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Our Values & Beliefs as Parents

FAITH - Our faith is the center of our lives. We attend church weekly and are Sunday School teachers and youth leaders for grades 6th-12th. Our relationship with God has brought us through many of life's challenges. Both of us were raised attending church from an early age, but have individually formed our own relationship with Christ. We will raise your child in faith with the hope that he or she will also find their own connection with Christ. We will pray and read Bible stories with your child and encourage them to participate in youth programs of their choice. A nightly routine that we have already established and will carry on is praying together each night, and sharing our day with God and one another.

FAMILY - We are an incredibly close-knit family, in fact now that we are adults, our relationships are more like best friends than siblings or parent/child. We are lucky to have a large network that provides unconditional love and unwavering support. Your child will not only gain parents and a sibling, but a group of more than 60 people who will be actively involved in their life, there to celebrate holidays with, and attend their extracurricular activities. Most of us live within minutes from each other and see each other regularly. Many attend the same church; our family fills the last three rows of seats every Sunday. We hope to instill these bonds within our children, so they are surrounded with supportive grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins who are like siblings, just as we did when we were growing up.

GIVING - We are thankful to be in a position to help others, and we hope to teach our children to be generous. Adam enjoys donating his time, skills, knowledge, and equipment to those in need of home repairs. In 2018 Brooke founded a non-profitable organization called Summer Servings. Summer Servings is a meal delivery service that provides groceries for children during school breaks. We will teach your child to express kindness towards others by giving and being charitable. Your child will go shopping for the groceries, help create the box of goods, and ride along to deliver the groceries to the children's homes.

FUN - We are a family that lives life, and we want your child to experience a joyful childhood filled with lots of fun memories. We love spending time on our farm, having pool days, outdoor picnics, jumping on the trampoline, hikes through the woods, fishing at our nearby pond, or just playing a game of fetch with our family dog. On days where the weather makes it impossible to spend time outdoors, we like to go to the movies, bowling, or host family game nights. Vacations usually take us to the beach where we play in the pool and ocean, build sandcastles, ride go-carts, play miniature golf, and search for seashells. While we instill everyday responsibilities in our children, we want them to enjoy life – laugh freely, act silly, and find their passions.

EDUCATION - We believe our responsibility as parents is introducing our child to what life has to offer so they can discover their own likes and dislikes. We believe discovering our passions are critical to our long-term well-being. Yes, education takes place in a classroom, but we also believe lessons can be found on the field of a child's favorite sport activity, at home playing on the farm, working in the shop with their dad, or baking with their mom. Chatham loves being a cowboy on our farm, and thinks he wants some cows to raise. We will help him explore this desire by adding some cows to care for at our farm. We look forward to learning your child's likes and dislikes so we can help them discover their own passions.

A Beautiful Experience





HOBBIES:

Adoptive Mother: Anything outdoors, traveling, fishing, swimming, nature walks, volunteering, exercising, gardening, baking, reading, attending professional sports games, spending time with friends and family.

Adoptive Father: Cooking, hunting, fishing, traveling, hands-on projects, working in my shop, fixing things, attending professional sports games, spending time with friends and family.

PROFESSIONS:

Adoptive Mother: Radiographer

Adoptive Father: Electrician/ Natural Gas

Measurement Specialist

EDUCATION LEVEL:

Adoptive Mother: Associates Degree
Adoptive Father: Associates Degree

PLUS:

- Family dog
- Both non-smokers

Our Home

We love our home and think it is the perfect place to raise curious children. We purchased it with anticipation of giggles, squeals, handprints, and blessings fulfilling it. We live on 30 acres of land, in a neighborhood with other children, and close to town and our families. Our property is mainly peaceful meadows and grasslands, but has just enough woods for exploring and hiking, an ankledeep creek for skipping rocks, and a knee-deep pond for fishing. There is an open field in front of the house where we go four-wheeling, and in the backyard there is a swimming pool, swing set, trampoline, plenty of space to play corn-hole, whiffle ball, and fetch with our dog, Tex.

Our home is a gathering spot for friends and family, and they are always welcome. During the summer, we love hosting pool parties and bonfires. The children race down the water slide, jump on the trampoline, and play on the swing set. The refrigerator is stocked with popsicles just for these hot summer days. The pool area is one of Brooke's favorite aspects of our home. Being in the sun is so peaceful and the sound of everyone laughing and playing is so much fun! Indoors, if we aren't gathered around the fireplace for movie night eating specially seasoned popcorn, we are drawn to the basement for a game of basketball or ping pong. The basement is known as the kids' area, but we adults have lots of good times finding our inner child there too.

Adam's has two favorite spots on our property - the outdoor kitchen and his shop. He has a two-story shop with his home office on the upper level and his work area on the main floor. It's about the size of a three-car garage. This is where he has all of his tools, his welder, a work bench and more. Chatham loves to spend time with his dad there, and he can tell you the name of every tool and what it is used for. The outdoor kitchen has two grills, a smoker, and griddle. This is where Adam loves to barbecue, cooking steaks and other meats, along with vegetables, and occasionally potatoes.

We truly value our time together. We both have flexible work schedules and are often home during normal work hours which allows for extra family time. Our favorite part of the day is when we gather for an afternoon snack or outdoor activity to unwind, hear about each other's day, tell stories, and discuss what we are having for dinner. Anything Adam makes on the grill and vegetables from our garden are top of our list for dinners at home. Throughout the weekend, we enjoy random activities at the ballpark, swimming, fishing, playing board games, dining at a new restaurant, or just relaxing with one another. We also love day trips to the zoo, water parks, and going to the lake.

When considering how our lives will change when we become parents again, we are ecstatic. Not for what the child will do for us, but what we may do for the child. To love, nurture, and help another child discover who they are, their likes, and dislikes means so much to us. We want him/her to find their home a place of comfort and companionship. A place to have fun and discover. He or she will have a room filled with shelves of children's books to help their imagination soar. We welcome getting to know your child and understanding their dreams.







Our Family

We met in high school, have been happily married for more than 12 years, and are more in love today than the day we married. We grew up with similar values and our strengths complement one another. Adam has a pure heart that sees the good in everyone. He is dependable, outgoing, has never met a stranger, and would literally do anything for anyone. Brooke is honest, nurturing, loves being a mom and is hard working. As a couple, we are trustworthy, giving, responsible, and kids at heart.

In 2015, we adopted our son, Chatham. Now a fearless six-year-old, he attends kindergarten and loves sports, swimming, fishing, and almost anything on our farm. He can't wait to be a big brother, have a built-in friend, and someone to get in good trouble with. He has already selected the nick name "double trouble" for he and his sibling. We were blessed to have had the opportunity to spend time with his mother while she was pregnant. And we were glad we did, because just a few days after returning home, she went into labor. We were so thankful to have that time with her, as well as the time we spent in the hospital together. We remain in touch and look forward to continuing our relationship through the years.

We have a very tight-knit relationship with our families. Adam's parents have lived in the same neighborhood ever since he and his sister were small children and currently live just a couple of miles from us. As a child Adam always wanted to be doing whatever Poppy, his grandfather, was doing. He

followed his every footstep from fishing, cooking, golfing, to hearing about the good ole' days. Adam believes this is where his love of cooking came from. Just like our grandparents were involved in our lives, they are involved in Chatham's life. Brooke grew up with many cousins as close as her own siblings and Chatham's relationship with his cousins exhibits the same bond. The next best thing to being parents, is holding the title of uncle and aunt. We both have a remarkably close relationship with our nieces, and two nephews. The same goes for our sibling's relationship with Chatham, they love and cherish him. We are comforted to know that our next child will have the same relationship with his or her grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Family traditions are a huge part of both of our childhoods and still remain important today. We love to find any reason to celebrate and gather with family and friends. A tradition for Adam's family that is still in place today is Christmas Eve at his Granny's home, where everyone looks forward to gathering for great food and the gift of being together. Brooke's favorite childhood memory is an annual trip with immediate and extended family. Hunting the infamous Easter Egg at Granny and Papaw's house is a tradition Brooke's family still enjoys today. We are excited to create and pass on wonderful traditions to our children.

We hope that we have shown you that our hope is to provide a nurturing, loving and supportive family for your child. We would love to have a lifelong relationship with you. We know that family isn't defined by blood, but by bond and we welcome you into our family too.







