



Hello We Are...



Adam & Amanda

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Our Hopes & Dreams

We are an adventurous couple who both grew up in loving and supportive families. When Amanda was young, she had always hoped to adopt one day. We adopted our first child, Tobin, and when considering our future together, we decided adoption is how we want to continue to grow our family. Adopting our son has brought us so much joy. We cannot wait to share our love and lives with another child.

We hope to raise well-adjusted, independent children into successful adults. We will provide your child a home full of love, an incredible support system, and an environment that encourages open mindedness and individuality. We look forward to watching them develop their passions, helping them explore their interests, being there to support them during hard times, and helping them overcome any challenge they are presented with. We look forward to all the silly and fun adventures we will have. From big things like family vacations or amusement park visits, to little things like building forts in the living room or a water balloon fight in the yard. We can't wait to grow together as a family.

For all birth parents reading this, we are sure this cannot be easy and that you are making an adoption plan out of love for your child. We don't know what you are going through, but we want you to know that we support you. We have so much respect and empathy for the path you are taking. If you select us as the parents to raise your child, as you get to know us, we hope that you will have peace of mind that your child is going to a loving and supportive household. We hope that you will flourish in your life, and we hope you have confidence and reassurance that you made the right decision.

We look forward to keeping in touch with you so that you have a relationship with your child. We would also honor your wishes if you preferred less contact. We hope to meet you and show you how treasured a child would be in our family.

Respectfully,

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Our Values & Beliefs as Parents

LOVE AND SUPPORT - We believe it is important to know your child will always have the unconditional love and support of family. In easy and hard times, in good times and bad. We show our love and support both verbally and physically, in the small ways like asking how work was, helping each other complete a task, and cooking each other's favorite meal. We think it's important to show someone every day that we are thinking of them, and they are loved. We will do everything in our power to encourage your child to feel empowered to explore all their hobbies, their personality, and to live life to the fullest. We will spend quality time together, even when they think they are too old, to remain close, and to remind them that they can always count on us.

INDIVIDUALITY - We believe everyone is unique and that one's individuality should be developed and celebrated. We display our personality in just about everything we do. We like to put our own spin on things - from dyed hair and tattoos to our home decorations, to our different hobbies, we are always true to ourselves. We will encourage your child's interests and hobbies, let them pick out their own clothes and decorate their room. We will support them in the person they become and will help them chase their passions.

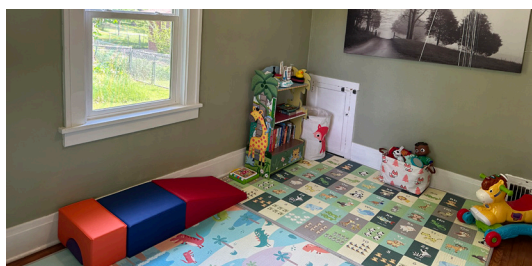
DETERMINATION - We believe it's important to go for what you want, and dedication gets us to where we need to be. If we try for the things that are important in our lives and give it our all, we will meet our goals. We both work hard at home, in our relationship, and in our friendships. We have a clear vision of what we want these relationships to be, and we put as much effort as it takes to ensure they are all successful. Regardless of their interests, whether they want to play sports, be in a band, paint or sculpt, we will encourage your child to give it their all, and be there to support them every step of the way. We will help your child set obtainable goals and be their biggest cheerleaders through all of the highs and lows. We hope they will embrace effort every single day.

CURIOSITY AND LEARNING - We have a passion for learning and exploring. We believe it is important to not take things at face value, instead looking deeper into the world and people around us. We believe this leads to an interesting and fulfilled life. Being curious and learning makes everyday life more interesting and exciting. We will read every night to your child, we will help them learn about the topics they are interested in, and we will strive to have every day feel like a new adventure.

OPEN MINDEDNESS - We believe it is important to always keep an open mind and be willing to change our opinions. By keeping an open mind, it allows us to better solve problems, be more accepting of new experiences, and adopt new traditions. We are always willing to get out of our comfort zone and never write-off any experience or opinion until we have tried it a few times. It's a big world and we want to show your child as much of it as we can by exposing them to new ideas, topics, foods, people, and experiences. We cannot wait to cook new recipes, adapt new traditions, and explore new experiences with them.

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HOBBIES:

Adoptive Mother: Spending time with our son, going on walks, playing at the park as a family, baking, interior design, home improvement, movies, spending time with friends and family, hiking, playing with our dog, arts and crafts

Adoptive Father: Spending time with our son, playing outside as a family, Dungeons & Dragons, movies, music, comic books, gaming, cooking, reading and learning, home improvement, spending time with friends and family, playing with our dog, exercising

PROFESSIONS:

Adoptive Mother: Stay At Home Mom
Adoptive Father: Insurance Management

EDUCATION LEVEL:

Adoptive Mother: High School Diploma
Adoptive Father: Bachelor's Degree

PLUS:

- Family dog
- Both non-smokers

Our Home

Our neighborhood is a thriving and vibrant community with people from all walks of life. We have kind neighbors who we spend time with and can rely upon. Many of our neighbors have large yards where the children play. There are two lakes for hiking and canoeing nearby, as well as many local parks and swimming pools. We are also about 20 minutes away from a large amusement park that we spent many summers at growing up. The lakes have paths that surround them where Amanda and Tobin walk most mornings and play on the playground nearby.

We have a large fenced-in yard that has plenty of space for outdoor games and activities. We spend as much time outside as we can, enjoying nature, and playing with our son and dog in our yard. We have a large patio area in the backyard where we spend time grilling, having campfires, and playing with chalk, bubbles, and water toys in the summer.

Our house is cozy and retro, with a mid-century modern and homey feel. Many people remark that our house feels inviting and bright. The furniture in the house is a mix of oranges and grays, and Amanda enjoys painting so the wall colors often change. Friends and family always love spending time in our home, and we are typically the host for any event.

Some of our friends have children, so playtime is always a big part of get-togethers. Whether it's at our house, one of their houses, or meeting up at a park or local event. When the weather is nice, we love spending time outside. We have a small pool and bounce house for the kids to play in. When the weather is bad, we bring the bounce house into the basement where we have a swing and some other toys and activities. We always look forward to meeting up and having the kids play together.

We always make a point to have quality time together cooking meals and enjoying each other's company. We love to spend the evenings playing games and watching movies together. As a family, we enjoy playtime together, building forts in the living room, and running around in the backyard. Story time is also one of our favorite times. We all curl up together with blankets and we take turns reading the books Tobin picks out.

Our motto is any time we have together is quality time. Saturday mornings are our favorite time. We wake up together and have coffee and breakfast while discussing what fun things we should do that weekend. We end breakfast with music and a dance party, which is one of Tobin's favorite things. We often start the days with a walk and time at the park. One of the weekend days we usually get together with friends for a play date. Typically, we'll go out to eat one evening. We like to try somewhere new each weekend.

The child's room is not decorated yet, but we do have the items picked out. The walls are currently a light pastel orange. There is some fun art on the walls and a couple of plants hanging from the ceiling. There is a black crib and changing table along with some neutral-colored blankets.

We feel fortunate to have made our house our home. We have made a lot of memories here and look forward to having more to include your child.

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Our Family

We have been together for 13 years and married for five. We met in high school and formed a friendship that turned into a relationship. We have grown together, learned how each of us works together, and have become better people together. As individuals we are very independent, yet supportive to each other's interests. We are often each other's opposite, as Amanda is very organized, and Adam is more free form. Adam is very spontaneous and keeps things exciting while Amanda is more structured and organized ensuring everyone is getting the most out of every moment. We both excel in each other's weaknesses and often help one another fill any gaps. We always encourage each other to be the best version of ourselves and are consistently growing together to make the best possible environment for our children.

We adopted our son, Tobin, who had his first birthday in March 2023. He is a sweet, energetic, silly boy who loves playing outside, with his trucks, music, and dancing. We make family time a priority. We are fortunate that Adam works from home, so we are able to have most meals together as a family.



We see our extended family throughout the year, as well as for every major holiday and birthday celebration. Adam's parents moved to Florida five years ago, which has made an exciting new destination for get togethers and holidays. We also keep in close contact through social media groups and group texts as well. When we see each other, we usually gather around a large meal and dessert, and always have some sort of activity to enjoy together.

Every winter we make Christmas cookies from a recipe handed down from Adam's family since the 1800's. On Christmas Eve, we open one gift that we cannot wait until Christmas day to open. We also sing Christmas carols and have a "White Elephant" gift. Everyone brings a fun or silly gift, and everyone takes a turn unwrapping them and laughing at what they received. It's always a special time.

Holidays are just the beginning. Birthdays are always a big to-do too. Whoever is having a birthday gets to pick their favorite restaurant or home cooked meal, the cake, and decorations. The whole family gets together to celebrate their special day. We also enjoy weekend reunions. Amanda's family lives a couple hours away and we frequently travel to visit them, or they will come to visit us, for some weekend family fun.

We have started our own family traditions which has been exciting. Some new traditions we've added are celebrating together with our friends for Easter. The kids paint eggs, play games, and have an Easter egg hunt. We've also started making homemade gifts for birthdays and other special occasions. Tobin paints or colors a picture frame, card, or a canvas. We think creativity is so important and this is a fun and meaningful place to start.

Our family and friends are very excited and supportive of our desire to add another child to our family. They can't wait to meet and spend time with your child and have already purchased toys and other fun items to welcome your child into our family.



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