



Hello We Are...



Samantha & Hunter

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Our Hopes & Dreams

We have always dreamed of having children and giving of ourselves to love and care for them.

Our journey to become parents has been long, but we are so grateful that we are here. We knew early on in our relationship that we wanted to have children, and I (Samantha) dreamed of being a mother ever since I was a little girl. After we got married, we discovered having children would be a challenge and started to explore our options to parenthood. Through infertility and becoming foster care parents, we only became more determined to fill our family with love.

Yet, we know that the journey for birth parents is challenging as well. We have the utmost respect for your courage and selflessness as you face this difficult decision. We hope you feel supported throughout the adoption process and beyond, and that you can live your own dreams.

If you choose us as the parents for your child, we will do everything in our power to provide a loving and supportive home for your child. We believe that it is important for a child to know their own story, including how they came into this world. If you are open to it, we would love to maintain a relationship and communicate with you so that your child will always know how much you love them.

Thank you for considering us.

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Our Values & Beliefs as Parents

FAMILY TIME - We believe that spending quality time together as a family creates a strong foundation of trust, communication, and mutual support. It helps us connect on a deeper level, understand each other's needs, and foster a sense of belonging and security. We make a point to have regular family dinners, spend weekends doing family activities like hiking, playing games, cooking together, and we take family vacations each year to reinforce our bond. We will ensure your child understands the importance of spending time together and creating family traditions by having family cook-outs, spending holidays together, and setting the routine of always eating dinner together. We will always place a priority on creating special moments together!



PERSEVERANCE - We believe that perseverance is crucial for personal growth. It helps build resilience, determination, and the ability to overcome obstacles. By teaching our children to persevere, we are equipping them with the skills to face life's challenges with confidence and strength. In our lives, we practice perseverance by setting short and long-term goals and working diligently towards them, whether in our jobs, personal projects, or hobbies. We support each other during tough times, reinforcing the idea that persistence pays off. We will encourage your child to take on challenges and support them in their efforts, celebrating their progress rather than just the end results. By setting realistic goals, we will teach them to break tasks into manageable steps and to keep trying even when things get tough. Through positive reinforcement, we will instill the belief that perseverance is a key ingredient to achieving their dreams and overcoming obstacles.



INTEGRITY - Integrity is the foundation of trust and respect in relationships, both personal and professional. It ensures that our actions align with our values and foster a sense of reliability. We believe that living life with integrity is essential for building a fulfilling life. We are honest in our communications, keeping our promises, and taking responsibility for our actions. By maintaining transparency and consistency in our behavior, we build trust and respect with those around us. We will create an environment where honesty is valued, and mistakes are seen as learning opportunities. We will share the benefits of living with integrity, helping your child understand its significance in building character.

HARD WORK - We believe that hard work and not giving up is essential for achieving success and personal satisfaction. It builds character and helps develop resilience. We will practice not giving up while building with Legos, doing art, playing board games, or even playing games like Hide and Seek. We take pride in the effort we put into our tasks, and finish projects we start. We will involve your child in household tasks and projects from a young age, teaching them the value of contributing to the family and feeling proud that they were able to help. Through consistent support and positive feedback, we will help your child build strong self-esteem and an appreciation for the rewards of their effort. We will encourage our child to try new skills, try out for teams, join extracurricular clubs, or take steps in life that may take courage.



EDUCATION - We feel that education is the foundation of life. With a solid education we can do anything we wish to do. As a 1st grade teacher, I know learning has to be fun and engaging. I'm excited for the chance to help your child learn, grow, and develop a love of learning. We have a library of books from my old classroom that we look forward to sharing with our child.

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HOBBIES:

Adoptive Mother: Gardening fruit and vegetables in our small orchard, canning our tomatoes, peppers, and onions I grow in my garden, sewing and quilting.

Adoptive Father: Being outdoors hiking or camping, traveling to new places, working on projects around the house, improving our home

PROFESSIONS:

Adoptive Mother: 1st Grade Teacher

Adoptive Father: Correctional Officer

EDUCATION LEVEL:

Adoptive Mother: Bachelor's Degree

Adoptive Father: Bachelor's Degree

PLUS:

- Both non-smokers

Our Home

We live in a quiet area that has a lot of trees and open spaces to explore. On almost an acre of land, we have plenty of room for hours of imaginary play and fun. One of our favorite things about our home is that we live in the city limits but our home feels like we are in the country. Living up on a hill we have a wonderful view overlooking large trees and the valley below. Looking out the window makes us feel like we are in trees. A short walk away are two city parks where most children in the neighborhood play.

Evenings are our favorite time together at home. We love cooking dinner together. It is a time when we turn on music and talk. We love relaxing and watching the sunset on the mountain in the distance. The bees and butterflies are buzzing around the garden as the sky turns pink and orange. In these moments we feel incredibly grateful and a sense of calm washes over us.

We have great outdoor space. Samantha's stepdad will often bring his guitar and we will spend the evening singing and playing music on the patio. Those are some of our favorite evenings. We also have a beautiful garden. One of the things we grow are pumpkins. Our friends' kids pick them from the garden, we carve them, and then roast the pumpkin seeds. It is a fun way to spend time with our friends and their children. We have always wanted to add a magical garden for our child, an area where they can play and hide behind tall sunflowers. We look forward to creating great childhood memories for our child.

Inside our home is a cozy atmosphere where people feel at home. The living space is filled with bookshelves, family pictures, heirlooms, and homemade quilts. We love to have family board game nights, and everyone brings snacks to share.

We look forward to adding a child to our lives and spending quality time together. We miss the busyness of having children and the sense of purpose in taking care of and loving a child. We can't wait for the laughter, noise, and silliness that comes with having children in the home. From building forts, playing board games, and baking cookies together to impromptu dance parties in the living room. We will cherish every moment of joy and fun that a child brings.

We will create a rich environment to encourage the child's development, happiness, and growth. There will be a nursery as well as a play area in our main living space. The child's bedroom is beautiful, it has hardwood floors with a large rug covering the floor. We look forward to creating new routines with the child, specially creating an evening routine that includes reading books at bedtime.

We are excited about creating lasting memories, sharing in their excitement and wonder, and embracing the beautiful chaos of family life.



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Our Family

We met through friends in college, on our first date we spent three hours talking at a local restaurant. After that we started spending all our free time together, dating two years before getting married. We've been happily married for more than nine years.

We are both even tempered, we make decisions together as a team by talking calmly about our choices. We want the same things out of life. Samantha loves that Hunter is so calm and cool headed, he never loses his temper. He is loving, respectful, and selfless to those he loves. Hunter has always looked for ways to help his parents out even when they didn't ask for it. Hunter loves that he and Samantha have very similar backgrounds and share a lot of experiences. Samantha is adventurous and spontaneous, so she pushes him to enjoy life. When he saw how she interacted with kids, he knew she would make a great mom.

We live a low-key life. In the evenings we often grill-out and spend our time talking. We also enjoy going to local restaurants, visiting friends and family, and hiking on the beautiful trails near our house. We also love to travel and hope to visit all 50 states and as many counties as we can. So far, we have been to four different countries together. We can't wait to start traveling with our child. We want to take them on hikes and visit the state and national parks. Once the child is older and can appreciate it more, we want to travel to more states and countries. We think it's important to see other cultures and ways of life.

We spend a lot of time with our family. We have become the hub for all family dinners and holidays. Every Christmas, Thanksgiving and Fourth of July we have family at our house. We also have a family cabin where we host family events. When we're there, we love to go on hikes, swim in the river, build campfires, and just enjoy the beauty of nature. We don't have internet or cable at the cabin, and cell phone service is limited, so we are truly able to unplug and spend time with each other. We can make calls but no mindless scrolling on our phones. It's a wonderful place for our family to reconnect and for kids to be kids. We would love to provide the opportunity for a child to be able to run around the woods and fields playing.

We make cookies and lots of good food to enjoy at the cabin get togethers. Hunter's parents started a record collection that we have added too. So, when we are there around Christmas, we love to listen to Christmas music on vinyl records. We also have a big cookout at the cabin each summer when we gather for family time and games.

We look forward to summers with our child. We love having bon fires and sitting around the fire making s'mores. We imagine our child running around in the evening light catching fireflies. A game of chase and their laughter fills the night air. During the summer we will invite family over to help share and preserve the gardens harvest. The house will be full of people as we talk and work together. We look forward to teaching our child how to plant and grow vegetables in our garden. Samantha has such fond memories of helping her grandmothers with canning, she hopes to create those same memories for our child. We can't wait to include our child in all our family traditions.



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