Hello We Are...



David & Julie







Graceful Adoptions.

Our Hopes & Dreams

Our dream has always been to become parents and to share our lives, love, and home with a child. From early in our relationship, we talked about how much we wanted to build a family. After experiencing both the physical and emotional challenges of infertility, we opened our hearts to adoption. We know that becoming parents through adoption is just as meaningful and magical as having children biologically. We are ready to nurture, encourage, and love a child with everything we have to give.

We grew up in different environments, but we share one core belief: every child deserves to know, without question, that they are loved. We want to provide a home where a child feels safe to explore who they are, grow at their own pace, and know they are supported every step of the way. Beyond meeting their needs (food, clothing, play, routine, and comfort), we will provide a stable and emotionally supportive environment where they are heard, respected, and celebrated.

Life will not always be easy, but we can work through anything as a family. We try to learn something during challenges and know we have the resilience and courage to do hard things. These are lessons we hope to pass on, helping a child learn to believe in themselves, to speak up, and to know that their voice matters.

Service to others is also deeply important to us. We show love through what we do and both have jobs that focus on making lives better for others. Each year, we volunteer and donate to organizations such as women's and children's shelters, food pantries, and local schools. We will continue to model kindness, hard work, and generosity through our actions. We look forward to having our children help us volunteer or bring supplies to people who need a helping hand. It matters to us that a child grows up seeing kindness in action and knowing the joy that comes from helping others.

We know making an adoption plan comes from a place of deep love. We truly believe you are not "giving up" your child, you are choosing the life you hope for them. We want you to feel confident that your child will be cherished, nurtured, and truly seen for who they are. We promise to care for them with honesty, patience, and unconditional love, and to honor the hopes and dreams that brought you to this moment.

We also want you to know we believe in you. You are strong, thoughtful, and loving. We want you to find peace knowing your child will be safe, thriving, and deeply, deeply loved.

Sincerely,

David & Julie









Our Values & Beliefs as Parents

FAITH – Faith gives us strength, hope, and comfort, and grounds us in the knowledge that there is something bigger than ourselves. If we are blessed to raise your child, we will share our faith gently through love, example, and everyday actions. We will talk openly, welcome questions, and support your child in discovering their own beliefs. More than anything, we want your child to know that they are deeply loved, supported, and valued, just as they are. Our faith reminds us to offer love without judgment and to meet each moment with grace, and we hope to pass that sense of peace and belonging on to your child.

LOVE - For us, love is something you show every day, not just something you say. We believe in seeing the good in people, offering understanding, and being a safe place for others. If we are given the honor of raising your child, we will surround them with a love that is steady, patient, and unconditional. We will make sure they always know they matter, and that they are seen and heard. We will walk beside them through every stage of life, celebrating their joys and supporting them through challenges. They will never have to face the world alone. We will always be there, no matter what.

SERVICE - We believe that life is about showing up for others. We've carried this value with us since college, where we learned that kindness and service create real connection. Everyone is carrying something we may not see, and we try to meet people with compassion and care. We recently volunteered with Rise Against Hunger, a global movement to end hunger, to create 10,000 meals for those in need. We will teach your child that helping others is a joy, not an obligation. We will involve them in big and small ways to give back. We want them to grow up knowing that their actions matter, their heart matters, and that they can help make the world gentler just by being themselves.

LEARNING - We believe learning is a lifelong journey. Yes, we learned in school, but we also learn from everyday life, from the people we meet, the challenges we face, and even the mistakes we make. Every experience and every person has something to teach us. We learn to be better people each day by staying curious and remaining humble. If we are blessed to raise your child, we will encourage them to explore, ask questions, and try new things. We will celebrate their effort, not just the outcome. We will make learning fun and teach your child during hikes, making crafts, gardening, baking, and playing games.

INTEGRITY - To us, integrity means living with honesty, even when it's hard. It's choosing to do the right thing, not because someone is watching, but because it matters. If we have the honor of raising your child, we will teach them that honesty builds trust, and trust builds strong, loving relationships. We will model this by following through on our word, owning our actions, and being the same people in private as we are in public. We will praise their honesty, even when it's messy, so they always know that telling the truth is best. We want your child to grow up knowing that being real, being accountable, and being kind to themselves and others is important.

A Beautiful Experience









HOBBIES:

Adoptive Mother: Crafting, reading, hiking, baking, gardening, traveling, handbells, volunteering and service to others, playing board games, watching volleyball, watching movies, spending time with family and friends

Adoptive Father: Watching and or attending NCAA Volleyball and Softball, computer games, technology, day trips, volunteering, watching movies, spending time with family and friends

PROFESSIONS:

Adoptive Mother: Business Analyst
Adoptive Father: Child Support Enforcement

Supervisor

EDUCATION LEVEL:

Adoptive Mother: Master's Degree
Adoptive Father: Bachelor's Degree

PLUS:

Both non-smokers

Our Home

When we chose our home, we thought about the future. We wanted to live in a place where a child would feel safe, supported, and able to grow. One of the biggest reasons we chose this area was the school district, it is one of the best in the area, with strong academic resources and teachers who truly invest in children.

Our home itself is warm and spacious, with plenty of room for play, imagination, and everyday life. It's not a museum, it's lived-in, loved, and filled with things that have meaning to us. The walls display art created by family, projects we've made together, and artwork that reminds us of our values. There are always cozy blankets within reach, and stuffed animals won from claw machines or amusement parks that tend to bring smiles to guests of all ages.

And of course, our four cats, our "feline welcoming committee," believe they run the house. They make sure every guest, especially the ones who like pets, receives a warm hello. They bring a lot of comfort and laughter into our daily life.

Our property offers space for children to explore, run, and play, and there are many parks and playgrounds just minutes away. Though houses in our neighborhood are a bit spread out, friends and family visit often, and our home is known as a place where people feel relaxed and welcomed. We look forward to creating more outdoor gathering areas, a place to play, read in the sun, blow bubbles, draw with chalk, or enjoy dinner on the patio.

Evenings are a special time in our home. That's when the workday slows down and we reconnect. Dinner is always shared together, and afterward we either head to activities (Julie loves bell practice and pinball league) or spend time unwinding, sometimes together watching a show, sometimes doing our own hobbies side by side. Weekends are flexible and cozy, some mix of rest, family time, and small adventures.

We know that welcoming a child will change our routines, and we welcome that. We will take our time learning your child's needs, adjusting with patience, and leaning on our family and community when we need support.

Right now, the child's room is calm, simple, and ready to become whatever they need it to be. It has neutral colors and comfortable furniture so that, as the child grows, it can reflect them, their interests, favorite colors, and imagination. When they are old enough, they'll help decide what goes on the walls and what special items make it theirs.

We look forward to the everyday moments, reading bedtime stories, celebrating tiny milestones, hearing the funny and honest things children say, and watching them learn about the world. We know love grows in the little daily routines, and we are ready to give that love fully.



Our Family

We first met in college, Julie was a freshman far from home, and her mom sent frequent care packages of baked goods. David, a senior working in the mailroom, was often the one handing them to her. Over time, the routine became familiar, David stopped asking for ID and would simply text when a package arrived. Those small, everyday interactions grew into a friendship. After David graduated and moved away, we lost contact for a few years. We eventually reconnected and our friendship quickly grew into a long-distance relationship. We truly believe that building our relationship on communication laid the foundation for the strong and lasting partnership we have today.

We balance each other. David is the extrovert who brings energy, humor, and openness, while Julie is the introvert who offers calm, grounding, and thoughtful reflection. We communicate openly and make decisions together, whether it's planning meals for the week or traveling across the country. Our life experiences have shaped us into a family that leads with empathy, patience, and understanding. We believe in serving others, not just during the holidays but throughout the year, and we look forward to teaching our child the joy that comes from giving, sharing, and supporting one another through life's joys and challenges.



We enjoy spending our time together in ways that let us stay connected and have fun. We both love the arts, so going to dinner theater or live performances is something we look forward to. We also enjoy amusement parks, and at home, we like to relax with a movie, playing PC games (David) or doing crafts (Julie). Family is important to us. Even though our relatives are spread across the country in Idaho, Indiana, North Carolina, Oregon, Ohio and Pennyslvania, we try to see them as often as possible. Whether it's a quick weekend drive or a longer road trip, we cherish being able to stay connected across generations and make memories with the people we love.

A child in our family will grow up surrounded by love, support, and connection, not just from us, but from grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins who are truly excited to welcome them. We plan to continue our tradition of traveling to visit family so a child will grow up knowing the people who love them, no matter the distance. We also look forward to discovering who they are, what they enjoy, what sparks their curiosity, and building new traditions based on their interests. Whether that means family vacations to new places, annual visits to relatives, or small traditions at home, we want our child to feel rooted in family and surrounded by people who care.

Our families have supported us throughout our adoption journey, and they are ready to embrace a child as their own the moment they arrive. This child will never have to wonder if they are loved, they will hear it, feel it, and grow up in the middle of it every day.







