

nikki
& tom





thanks
for opening our book



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hello

Our names are Nikki and Tom. Thank you so much for taking the time to read through our profile book and for getting to know us. We hope for the opportunity to get to know you.

We know you are working through a difficult decision. If we were there, we would give you a hug and offer any support you need as you think this through. But the truth is, we know how much you love your child and we are confident that no matter what you decide, you will make the right decision for both of you.

We live in Texas with our two dogs Gator and Russell. We met 12 years ago and have built a great life together: full of love, support, adventure, and fun. Now we can't wait to expand our family. We're deeply committed to open adoption. We want to work with you to make sure that everyone is getting what they need. And we, of course, want to make sure you are involved by sharing stories, photos, videos, and time together if you want that.

Thank you again for taking the time to review our profile book. **We hope that you are able to get a glimpse into our lives and that you feel the love and commitment we have for welcoming a new member of the family.** We hope that our book helps you make your decision and you find the answers that you're looking for in here. If you choose adoption and you choose us, we promise to join you on this journey hand in hand.

with love,

Nikki and Tom





our story

We met on our first day of law school 12 years ago and have been inseparable ever since. From the first time we met, we just knew that it was the beginning of something special. We were immediately best friends who just love spending time together. We still are.

Every day is special, even if we have nothing to do. We love just reading the paper together over a cup of coffee, walking our dogs, laughing about our day, and making dinner together. There's nothing better than curling up at the end of the day with our dogs and watching a bad TV show.

Tom makes the little things fun and Nikki makes sure that we have some excitement in our life. We love going to concerts, throwing goofy themed parties at our home, and traveling to new places.

We are more in love now than we've ever been. We both know how lucky we are to have found each other. We cherish our relationship and we can't wait to begin the next adventure together - being parents.

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Nikki with our niece Magnolia at the children's museum



Tom with our niece Magnolia at a family trip to Disney

why we are adopting

We believe that open adoption is the right way to expand our family.

We learned about our infertility challenges early in our relationship, but we've always known that we wanted to grow our family. From the beginning, adoption has been part of our plan. We believe adoption is a beautiful and meaningful way to build a family, and we would be incredibly grateful for the opportunity to grow ours in this way and create the family we've always dreamed of.

We want your child to have as many people in their life that love them as possible. We want them to feel our love as well as yours.





meet nikki

FRIENDS SAY I AM:
Happy, funny,
and always there to
support them

FAVORITE FOOD:
Any type of Italian food

VOTED MOST LIKELY TO:
Get on the floor and
finger paint

I grew up in Michigan with two brothers and one sister. We grew up in a small town, so we always had to get creative to pass the time. One of my favorite memories of growing up is putting on (truly odd) family plays with my siblings at home.

For work, I am a lawyer who owns my own law firm. I represent women who are starting businesses. I love the opportunity to help my clients.

In my free time, I like browsing bookstores, playing with my dogs, going for coffee with friends, baking treats, and reading stories to my nieces.



Nikki with our niece Magnolia



Nikki with our nieces Magnolia, Alice, Eloise at a family trip to Disney

I'm so excited to be a mom. I can't wait for 3am feedings full of baby snuggles and reading our favorite bedtime stories. I'm excited to fingerpaint colorful masterpieces (and probably get paint everywhere!) and make up silly games like pretending the couch is a pirate ship.

HOBBIES: Playing with our dogs, baking treats, hiking

meet tom

FRIENDS SAY I AM:
Chill, goofy, and great
at giving advice

FAVORITE FOOD:
Burritos

VOTED MOST
LIKELY TO:
Pick a great bedtime story



I grew up in Connecticut with my brother and two sisters. I also grew up with this great group of friends that I'm still friends with to this day. We played a remarkable amount of pick up basketball, despite not being very good.

For work, I'm a lawyer who represents communities fighting against air pollution. It means so much to me that these communities trust me to represent them. I take a lot of pride in doing the best work I can for my clients.

In my free time, I spend my time hanging out with family, friends, and dogs, playing and learning about music, and going for runs.

I can't wait to be a dad. I was born to do it. I am most excited to build a playscape in the backyard, coach sports teams, and cook dinner for my family.



Tom with our niece Magnolia



HOBBIES:
Playing guitar,
running, reading



tom in Nikki's words

"Tom is the most patient, kind, and goofy person I've ever met.

I've always known he will be the world's best dad"

nikki

in Tom's words

"Nikki is the sweetest, most generous, thoughtful, and giving person.

She's a great wife and friend and she'll be a great mom. I am so lucky that I get to be a parent with her."



our home

We live in a cozy neighborhood. It's quiet, safe, and surrounded by nature trails, which is perfect for our daily family walks. We love watching the baby ducks paddle in the creek and seeing the baby deer graze.

Our home is full of charm and love. We have many cozy spots to curl up with a book, a backyard that's just waiting for a playscape, and plenty of room for playing make believe.

Our neighborhood has a fantastic school and a big playground. We are part of a wonderful community of friends nearby with lots of young kids to play with.



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Meet Gator and Russell

We have two dogs, Gator and Russell, who can't wait to cuddle! Gator is a true couch potato. He's always ready to snuggle (but he will wake up for snacks...so relatable!). Russell is our social butterfly. She loves playing fetch and meeting new friends.





meet our families

Nikki's family lives in Michigan and Chicago and we visit a few times a year. **We have tons of nieces and one nephew. Our oldest niece can't wait to meet our newest addition and has told us that the two of them are going to work together to prank us.** We love to travel together and, specifically, love going to Disney as a big extended family. We also love to do story time with our nieces and nephews both over FaceTime and when we are visiting.

Tom's family lives in Connecticut and California and we visit a few times a year. **Everyone is so hyped up to meet our newest addition and ready to drop everything to help out.** We love to celebrate Thanksgiving with each other (especially with my sister in California). We also have an active group chat about reality TV.

Both our families couldn't be more excited to welcome another child into the family.





in our
family...





we look after each other
we take care of others
we make everything fun



before you go

we want you to know

Thank you for taking the time to learn more about our family and consider us as adoptive parents for your child. We hope you were able to get a glimpse into our lives and how much love and support we can offer as parents. If you end up choosing adoption, we know how important it is for you to be able to trust whoever you pick.

IF YOU PICK US, HERE ARE OUR COMMITMENTS TO YOU:

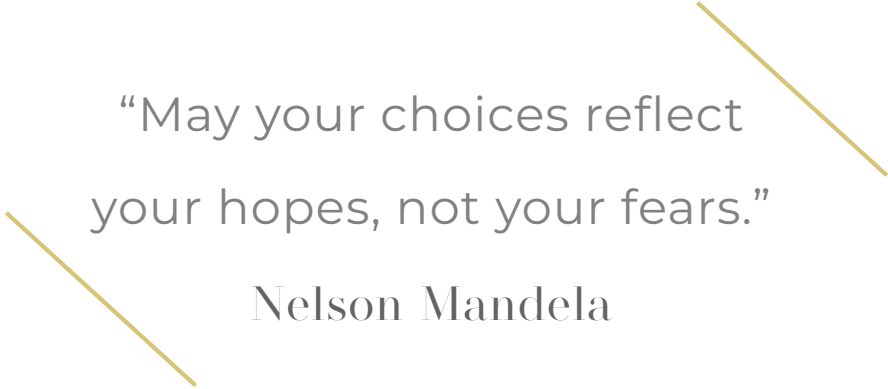
- We promise to always love your child no matter what
- We promise to always do our best as parents
- We promise to give your child the best life we can
- We promise to always be honest with you
- We promise that you will always be a part of our family
- We promise that your child will know how much you love them
- We promise that your child will become the person they are supposed to be

We wish you strength and peace as you figure out your path forward.

We hope for the opportunity to meet you!

with love and gratitude,

Nikki and Tom



“May your choices reflect
your hopes, not your fears.”

Nelson Mandela

