



Adam & Joanna



our note to you

so nice to "meet" you



Hello! We are Adam and Joanna. Thank you so much for taking the time to get to know our family! We feel honored that you would open our book and read about our story. The fact that you are taking the time to thoughtfully consider all of your options says so much about you as a parent already and how much you love your child. **We can't even begin to imagine what you must be going through, but we are grateful for you, we respect you, and we support you. We know whatever decision you make for your child will be the best decision.**

We are so excited about growing our family through adoption again! We adopted our first child, Isaac, and it was an amazing experience. We love our precious boy more than words could ever describe and we can't wait to share our love with another child, and to provide Isaac with a sibling! We hope that you can feel our love for each other and our desire to grow our family as you go through the pages of this book.

Thank you again for considering us to be a part of this journey with you. We are praying for you as you weigh your options and consider what is best for you and your child.

With Great Love and Appreciation,

adam & joanna



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this is our story

We met in Florida, got married in 2015, and love each other more with each passing year! Even though we have all the important things in common— faith, family, life goals and passions—our personalities are total opposites! However, for us, it works! We balance each other out completely and make a great partnership. Being married has been one of life's greatest blessings. Marriage has taught us to love unconditionally and to put someone else's needs first. **It sounds cheesy, but we truly are best friends. We love doing everything together.**

In 2020, we adopted our son, Isaac, and he has completely stolen our hearts! He has brought so much joy to our lives and has made life better in every possible way. Being parents is another one of life's greatest blessings and we are so grateful for Isaac's biological parents who chose us to love and parent Isaac.

As a family, we are always together. We love to laugh and have fun. We go on trips and explore new places. We love the outdoors. We eat good food. We love being with our families and spending time with friends. We love life and are thankful for each day!

Life isn't always perfect or without struggles, but we will always be there for each other. Whenever difficult circumstances come our way, we draw closer together and we support and encourage one another. We rely on each other and our faith to get us through any storm in life.

***We love the outdoors. We love life
and are thankful for each day!***



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why we are adopting

We've always had a heart for adoption so after we found out we could not have biological children, we knew immediately we were going to pursue adoption to grow our family; it was an easy decision for us. The day we got chosen by Isaac's biological parents is a day we will never forget. Isaac came into our lives and stole our hearts immediately. We LOVE being parents and can't imagine life without our son.

We still have so much love to give and are ready and excited to open our hearts to another child. We both have siblings and they are a huge part of our lives, so it's important for us to provide our son and another child the experience of having a sibling and a forever friend!

Being a mom and dad is such a joy; we love every part of parenthood! We value being present in everything—big and small. **We want to go to the little league games, school plays, recitals... all of it! The children entrusted to us will be so loved, prayed for and cherished and we can't wait to see who they become!**

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our hearts and home to another child!*





meet joanna

I grew up in New Jersey in a loving Christian home with both parents and 3 older siblings. I went to college in Florida for 4 years where I received a degree in business. Now I work in financial services and **the best part about my job is that I get to work from home full time!** This means I will get to be home every day with our children.

I strive to be a kind-hearted, thoughtful, caring individual that always puts

SOME OF MY FAVORITE HOBBIES: *I love music, gardening, cooking, traveling, and playing with Isaac and Cutter.*

“WHAT I LOVE MOST ABOUT BEING A MOM IS ALL OF THE HUGS AND GIGGLES! I ALSO LOVE SEEING THE WORLD THROUGH ISAAC’S EYES AS HE LEARNS AND DISCOVERS NEW THINGS.”

others first. I have a tendency to find things to nurture and take care of whether it be a person, an animal, or a garden. I would do anything for my family and have a genuine concern for others. I am a loyal friend and value my relationships with people. I love to laugh, cook food and play music! Music has always been a huge part of my life and is one of my biggest passions. I love to sing and I would love to teach music to our kids! Isaac already loves to sing and sit at the piano with me and it makes me so happy.

Being a mom is one of my greatest joys in life. I would do anything for our son and will love him unconditionally, for the rest of my life.





meet adam

I grew up in central Illinois, in a small town called Washington. Shortly after high school, I enlisted into the United States Coast Guard. For the last 21 years, I have been blessed to serve our country. I am now a Chief Petty Officer and embrace teaching, mentoring and guiding other Coast Guard members. I love being on the water and I love my job. The career path I've chosen in the Coast Guard allows me to be at home every night and every weekend with my family, and I'm grateful for that.



SOME OF MY FAVORITE HOBBIES: *I love playing golf, fishing, and restoring my Toyota Land Cruiser. I enjoy building and making things with my hands.*



“I LOVE BEING A FATHER. MY FAVORITE THING TO DO IS SPENDING TIME WITH MY FAMILY IN OUR BACKYARD AND GOING ON ADVENTURES. WE ARE ALWAYS LAUGHING AND HAVING FUN!”

My faith is very important to me. I enjoy serving at church and working in our community. I have a very outgoing and fun personality and love being able to help people in need. I enjoy making new friends and having people over our house.

I love being outside and especially love sports. I can't wait to teach and play sports with our children! I also enjoy fixing things. I am a problem solver and you will always see me working on my truck or on things around the house.



meet isaac

Isaac is 3 and is the sweetest toddler we've ever known. He is a big boy and is lovingly referred to as our gentle giant! He loves to hug friends and fist bump strangers. He loves dinosaurs, tractors and trees! **His favorite place to be is outside** - exploring the yard, playing on the playground, riding his bike and chasing Cutter around. He loves to eat, read, go to church, and play with his cousins and friends.

Isaac also loves music and is always singing something. **He is a happy boy with lots of giggles.** He loves being around people and we can already tell that he is very empathetic and caring. He is a special boy!

“HI! I’M ISAAC! MY PARENTS SAY THAT I AM
SWEET, AFFECTIONATE, CHILL, AND HAPPY.
I CAN’T WAIT TO BE A BIG BROTHER!”






joanna in adam's words

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“Joanna is the love of my life! She is the kindest, most loving woman that I have ever met. Her faith is important to her. She is strong, smart and has many talents. She makes me smile every day and I am so blessed to call her my wife. **Joanna is so beautiful, inside and out. She is the most caring and loving mom I know.”**



adam in joanna's words

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“Everyone loves Adam — from kids to senior citizens! He is friendly, optimistic, kind, thoughtful, funny, hard-working, and can fix anything. He is a wonderful husband and the absolute BEST DAD ever. He is a loving and patient father and so much fun! He has a strong faith and has a heart for other people. I could write a book about how wonderful Adam is and our son is so blessed to call him Dad.”





our home

We live in a quiet neighborhood on the eastern shore of Virginia. Our home has 4 bedrooms, lots of room for kids, a huge backyard with 3 acres to explore, and a fun playroom. We have lots of beautiful farmland around and we're just a few miles from the beach. We have great schools here, a friendly and diverse community, and lots of nature and wildlife to enjoy.

When we are at home, we love to cook together, have family dance parties after dinner, or snuggle on the couch with a good movie and homemade popcorn. However, we spend most days outside! Isaac and Cutter would play outside all day if we let them. We all love the outdoors- playing, exploring, or just hanging out. We also love hosting friends and family and often have cookouts and games in our backyard.



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Meet Cutter

Cutter is the sweetest, friendliest, smartest, and most loyal dog we know! He loves everyone he meets. His favorite things to do are playing fetch and cuddling. He and Isaac are best friends!



meet our families



Adam's Family

My family is very close and loving. We all love spending time together, laughing and joking around. I have one brother who is 2 years younger than me. He and his wife adopted a little boy through embryo adoption and he's now 2 years old. Even though we don't live in the same state, I still get to see my family quite a bit, and I talk to them all several times a week.

I had an awesome childhood and spent most days outside with my brother. My dad taught me and my brother how to fish and that's something we still do together. My mom loves gardening and cooking for her family. My parents are both retired and love spoiling their grandchildren!

Joanna's Family

I have a loving, close-knit family. I am the youngest of 4 with 2 sisters and 1 brother. I have 4 nephews and 2 nieces. My parents are now in heaven, but they were married for almost 50 years. Their deaths have brought me and my siblings even closer. I talk to my brother and sisters every day and see them often.

Growing up, we traveled a lot together (still do!) and loved going to the beach and family camp every year. However, my favorite family tradition is "Sunday dinner". Every Sunday, our entire family got together at my parents' house to eat. My Dad took us kids fishing, my mom took us girls shopping, but **my fondest memories are of all of us around the dinner table, laughing and teasing each other. We still do this when we're all together and I can't wait to pass this tradition on to our children.**





before you go

Thanks again for considering us! Growing our family through adoption again would be a dream come true.

**IF YOU CHOOSE TO MOVE FORWARD WITH US,
WE COMMIT TO:**

- Providing a home that is full of joy and encouragement and is a safe place where our children will always know how much they are loved.
- Teaching values like respect, serving others, kindness, generosity and compassion.
- Making sure our children always know their story and how much their biological families love them.
- Having an openness in this relationship that works for everybody.
- Providing the best educational opportunities we can.
- Supporting and encouraging our children to pursue whatever desires/abilities/talents they have.

Thank you for considering us!

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