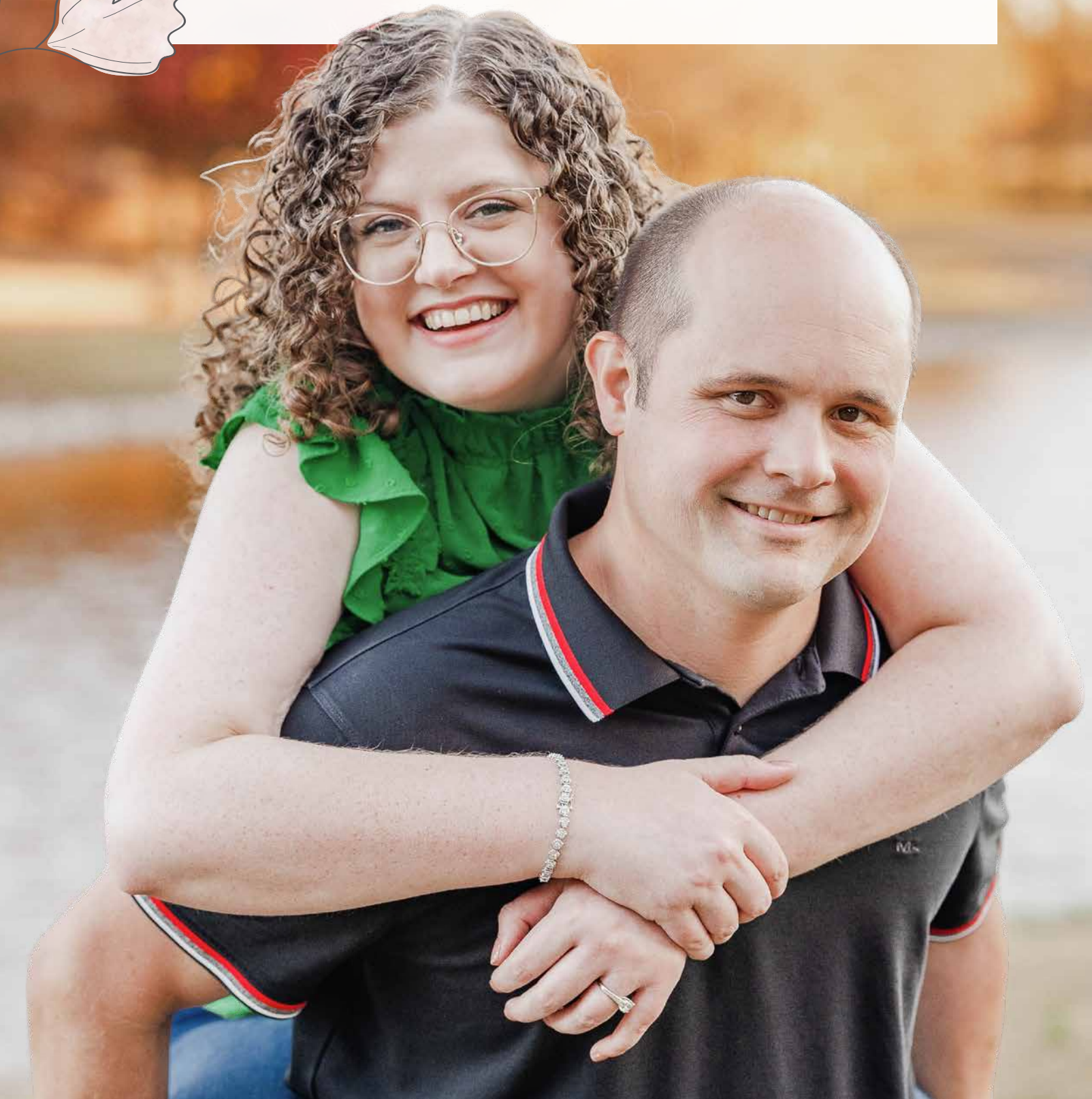


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ABIGAIL *and* JACOB



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# Hello!

THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING US TO PARENT YOUR CHILD

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*We are praying for you as you make this difficult decision. We have been hoping and praying for a child for years. After six years of infertility treatments, it seemed God closed that door, and we began praying about adoption.*





EXPLORING THE GEORGIA MOUNTAINS



*This is us* 

***For us, parenting a child would be the most important thing we do. We are looking forward to all the moments, big and small: from cuddles and smiles to birthday parties, walks around the neighborhood, reading books together and taking our future child on trips exploring the country.***

We are excited to see our future child grow into the person they will become and help them discover their interests and strengths! With us, your child would join a family that values spending time together. As a couple, we love taking hikes with our dog and would enjoy bringing baby along! We have a close relationship with our nieces and nephews, so baby would have cousins to go with to the zoo and the State Fair and so much more with!

# OUR STORY



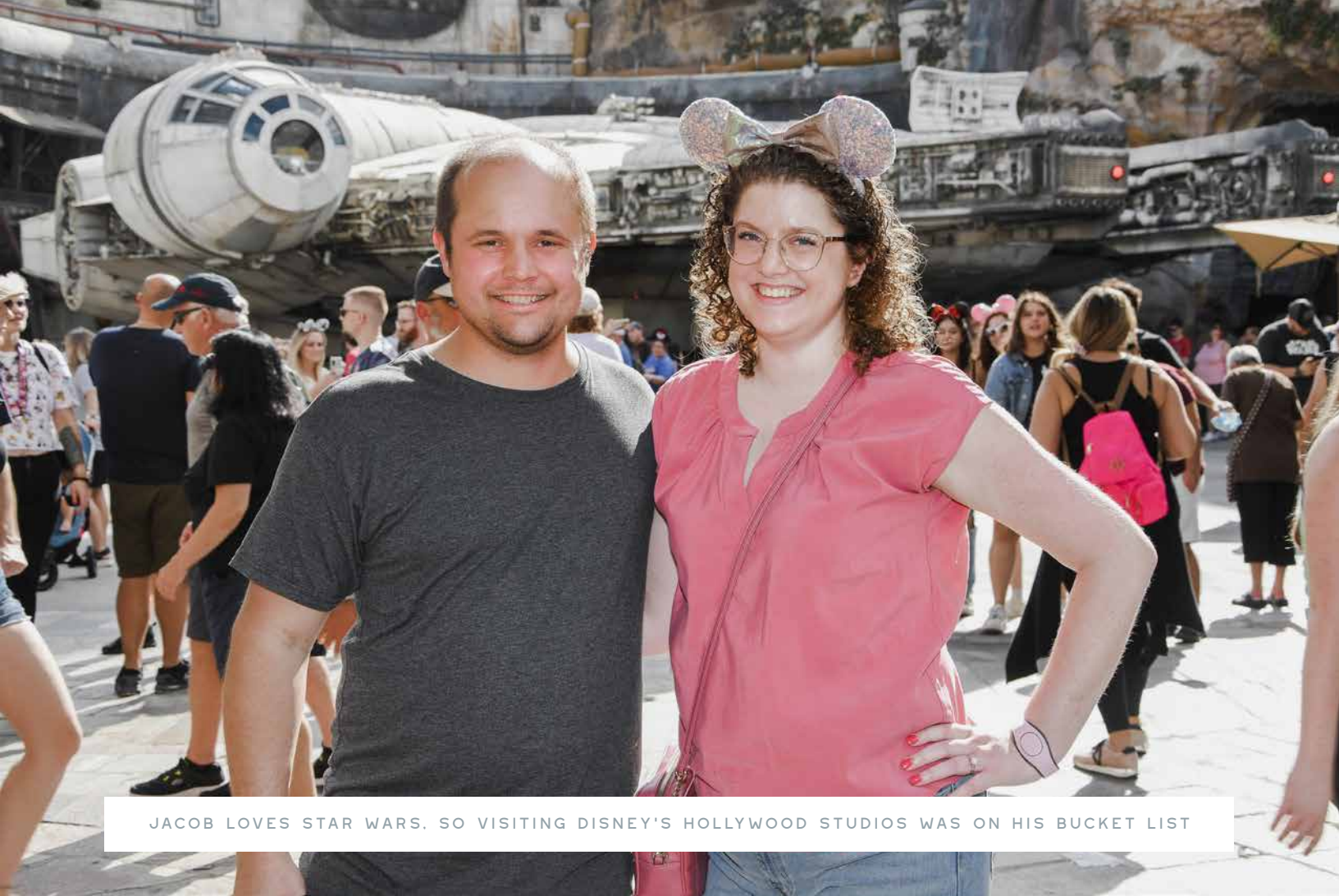
WE LOVE PLAYING BOARD GAMES



*We were drawn to each other immediately when we met in college, but it took a couple of years before we started dating. Jacob left college after three years to start his own business, and Abigail chose to stay in Bartlesville as well after graduation. Jacob proposed after a Fourth of July canoe trip and a fall wedding was planned.*

We've been married for thirteen years now, and we share the same values - putting our faith and family first. We love spending time together and prefer to run errands together whenever possible. We make it a priority to eat dinner together every night and tell each other about our day, and often take a walk together with our dog as well. We both enjoy hiking and kayaking and have some favorite TV shows that we make sure to watch together, including Wheel of Time and The Lord of the Rings: Rings of Power.

We always seem to miss the big anniversaries, going to Paris for our fourth and the Florida Keys for our ninth, while our tenth anniversary was spent putting up a Christmas tree to cheer up Abigail's dad, who was battling cancer at the time. But whatever we're doing, whether it's big or small, we love doing it together.



JACOB LOVES STAR WARS. SO VISITING DISNEY'S HOLLYWOOD STUDIOS WAS ON HIS BUCKET LIST

ABIGAIL LOVES BROADWAY MUSICALS



# Bucket List

ACTIVITIES FOR OUR FUTURE

ONE

*Camping*

TWO

*Disney World*

THREE

*A Twins baseball game*

FOUR

*A Broadway play*

FIVE

*Trip to Europe as a high school graduation gift*



# ABOUT ABIGAIL

Abigail's creative and dedicated. In her free time, she loves to read and writes articles for local magazines. She enjoys cooking and trying new recipes and is passionate about animals. One of her favorite things is planning trips to explore new places.

Abigail has a group of college friends, who get together to eat dinner and go shopping frequently. She also has a group of friends from a writing group she's in, who meet monthly to share writing and talk about their lives. She's the last child-free person in both of these groups and can't wait to schedule future playdates with their children.

*Abigail gets joy from spending time with her nieces and nephews, whether it's a simple game of peek a boo, pushing her niece on the swings or a trip to a Splash Pad.*



ABIGAIL LOVES TRYING NEW RECIPES FOR DINNER



FAVORITE VACATION SPOT  
*Paris*

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FAVORITE FALL ACTIVITY  
*The State Fair*

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FAVORITE PLACE TO VOLUNTEER  
*Washington County SPCA*

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FAVORITE PLACE TO TAKE KIDS  
*Kiddie Park*

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FAVORITE BOARD GAME  
*Ticket to Ride*

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FAVORITE HOLIDAY  
*Christmas*  
*(the food, the decor, the lights!)*

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FAVORITE NIGHT OUT  
*A Broadway Play*

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FAVORITE HOBBY  
*Reading*

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FAVORITE ICE CREAM  
*Strawberry Cheesecake*

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FAVORITE FOOD  
*Lasagna*



ABIGAIL LOVES ARRANGING FRESH FLOWERS  
AND ONCE TOOK A FLORAL DESIGN CLASS

WALKING AROUND THE POND NEAR OUR HOME





# ABOUT JACOB



*Children have always been drawn to Jacob. Over the years, he's built strong relationships with our nieces and nephews. One year, we spent Easter with his brother's family, and his two nieces decided they wanted to hide the Easter eggs instead of finding them. Jacob participated in about thirty Easter egg hunts in a row, finding the eggs so the girls could hide them again and again.*

JACOB LOVES KAYAKING OKLAHOMA'S  
MANY LAKES AND RIVERS



Jacob has a close friend that he loves to go on adventures with! They once spent a week sailing a boat down the east coast from Rhode Island to Virginia. They've also gone on weekend camping trips and are currently practicing with a two-person racing sailboat.

Jacob's never been afraid of hard work. His strongest characteristic is his dependability and his determination to do whatever needs to be done. It's part of what's made his painting business so successful and what will make him a wonderful father. He's the kind of person who always shows up and does what he says he will do.





JACOB IS A HUGE TWINS FAN AND WAS EXCITED TO SEE A GAME IN THEIR HOME STADIUM!

JACOB DID A LOT OF THE NURSERY SET-UP



FAVORITE SPORTS TEAM  
*Minnesota Twins*

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FAVORITE SPORT TO PLAY  
*Tennis*

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FAVORITE VACATION SPOT  
*Camping somewhere!*

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FAVORITE MOVIE  
*Star Wars*

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FAVORITE BOARD GAME  
*Chess*

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FAVORITE NIGHT OUT  
*A nice restaurant*

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FAVORITE ICE CREAM  
*Reese's Peanut Butter mix*

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FAVORITE FALL ACTIVITY  
*Hiking*

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FAVORITE HOLIDAY  
*Thanksgiving*

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FAVORITE FOOD  
*Burgers*

# HOME SWEET HOME



DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS  
IS A BIG DEAL TO US

Our future child already has a room ready in our home. We've begun building a nursery with a Winnie the Pooh theme, spending time decorating to make it feel like a fun and inviting space. We cannot wait to have a child to fill it!

We live in a quiet neighborhood filled with trees. We frequently take walks in it with our dog, and we live within walking distance of the neighborhood park. Bartlesville also offers a wide range of activities, and our friends' kids participate in everything from soccer and cricket to ballet and gymnastics. Bartlesville has one of the best public school systems in the state, and we made sure to buy a home in the area that has the best-ranked elementary school.

Our favorite thing in Bartlesville is Kiddie Park, an old-fashioned amusement park built for kids ages two to eight. It offers rides perfectly sized for the little ones, and the last train ride of the night is always free. It's been a favorite place to take our nieces and nephews, and we're excited to enjoy it with our future child!



ABIGAIL LOVES TAKING RUE FOR AN EVENING WALK AT THE DUCK POND NEAR OUR HOME



## ABOUT RUE

*Rue was only supposed to be a foster dog, but we fell in love!*

Rue was very shy and had spent three months hiding in a corner of her cage at the SPCA. We agreed to foster her to give her time to warm up to people, and then she won our hearts! Now, Rue has begun to be brave and loves walks and trips around town. She's even begun to go up to greet people on walks and when they visit, a huge step forward for her! We're so proud of her and her progress.

A HIKE WITH RUE MAKES FOR A PERFECT SUMMER AFTERNOON



# OUR FAMILY



OUR SWEET NIECE LUNA CAME TO VISIT

JACOB MEETS KENZIE.  
OUR YOUNGEST NIECE



Abigail's family lives nearby, with the exception of one brother in Georgia. We frequently gather for dinners, to celebrate birthdays, and to share fun experiences, such as taking the nieces and nephews to the park, the pumpkin patch or to see holiday decorations. We've created a yearly tradition of going to the petting zoo at the State Fair together. We love to play board games, with Abigail's parents having a whole closet devoted to a huge variety of games. We also recently met the brothers and their families at a cabin in the Georgia mountains, where we enjoyed hiking and exploring a nearby town. The family is pretty active, so we'll be able to get lots of advice on strollers and the best baby carriers!



WE WENT APPLE AND SUNFLOWER PICKING WITH OUR NIECE AND FAMILY



ABIGAIL AND HER MOTHER FLYING A KITE



FAMILY GATHERS NEAR OUR TREE IN OUR SUNROOM



Jacob's family lives in South Dakota and Minnesota, but we take trips to see them at least once a year and frequently more often. The brothers and nieces enjoy making everything a competition: pickleball, ping pong, soccer, tennis and even picking vegetables from the garden! Over the years, we've gone on a variety of trips together, including to a cabin in the Black Hills of South Dakota, where we hiked to see a waterfall, and to SeaWorld in Texas, where we rode rollercoasters and fed the seals.

*Both of our families are multi-cultural, with one sister-in-law born in El Salvador and another born in Sweden!*



WE LOVE WATCHING OUR NIECES AND NEPHEWS OPEN THEIR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS!



## IN CLOSING

*For us, raising our child in our church is very important. Abigail currently hosts a women's Bible study in our home, and both of us have spent time volunteering with different ministries. Starting with a baby dedication, we would promise to raise them to love God and others. Our church provides numerous opportunities for children, including a musical every semester where the children get to express their talents. We plan to raise our children to be part of our church community.*

We look forward to building a circle of love around our future child, and that includes you and your family! We would love to build a relationship with you and are open to your thoughts and feelings on what that would ideally look like for you. We want to build a relationship that feels comfortable to everyone, so our future child will always know where they came from and how loved they are by everyone in their life.



# Family Information



FATHER'S NAME <i>Jacob</i>	MOTHER'S NAME <i>Abigail</i>
OCCUPATION <i>Owens a painting company</i>	OCCUPATION <i>Marketing and Public Relations Director</i>
EDUCATION <i>Some college</i>	EDUCATION <i>Master's degree</i>
RELIGION <i>Christian</i>	RELIGION <i>Christian</i>
DATE OF BIRTH <i>Oct. 7, 1986</i>	DATE OF BIRTH <i>Aug. 11, 1987</i>
HAIR COLOR <i>Brown</i>	HAIR COLOR <i>Brown</i>
EYE COLOR <i>Brown</i>	EYE COLOR <i>Blue</i>
HEIGHT <i>5'9"</i>	HEIGHT <i>5'9"</i>



**Date of marriage:** 11/21/2010

**Interests and hobbies:** Jacob enjoys playing video games, watching baseball and camping. Abigail enjoys reading, cooking and going to Broadway shows. Together, we enjoy kayaking, hiking and traveling.

**Home:** We live in a five-bedroom remodeled home in a quiet neighborhood in Bartlesville. The biggest selling point for us was a gorgeous sunroom with huge windows where we can already picture the children playing someday! We have a fenced backyard and live within walking distance of a neighborhood park. Bartlesville, while having a small-town feel, is still big enough to have fun activities for kids, such as Kiddie Park, an old-fashioned amusement park, as well as plenty of options for sports, ballet, music and more.

**Pets:** We have one adopted dog, Rue. She's a three-year-old Australian Shepherd mix who loves going on walks and car rides!

**Why are you interested in building your family through adoption?** We struggled for many years through infertility treatments. When it seemed like God was closing that door, we began to consider adoption. We want the opportunity to love and nurture a child. Adoption offers us a chance to realize our dreams and to give a child a wonderful life and a bright future.

**Openness to birthparent(s):** We want to make sure you are included as part of the circle of love surrounding the child! We would be willing to share as many pictures and updates as you would like and plan to make it a priority to visit your area at least once a year, if not more often.

**Childcare plans:** We plan to have hybrid childcare. Abigail already works from home several days a week and plans to negotiate for more after the arrival of a child. Our church childcare facility is less than five minutes from our house and could fill in any gaps.



# THANK YOU!

We've always planned our lives around our future children. Even when we were dating, Jacob bought a car with a good safety rating so he could have a family car. While we never imagined how long it would take (that car is long gone!), we chose a home with our future children in mind, with space for them to play and grow. We considered the neighborhood and the school district and the life we wanted to build.

*We promise you that loving and caring for our future child will always be our top priority. We will build a life that gives them opportunities to experience the world and honors their culture and family of origin. We cannot wait to meet you and them!*



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