

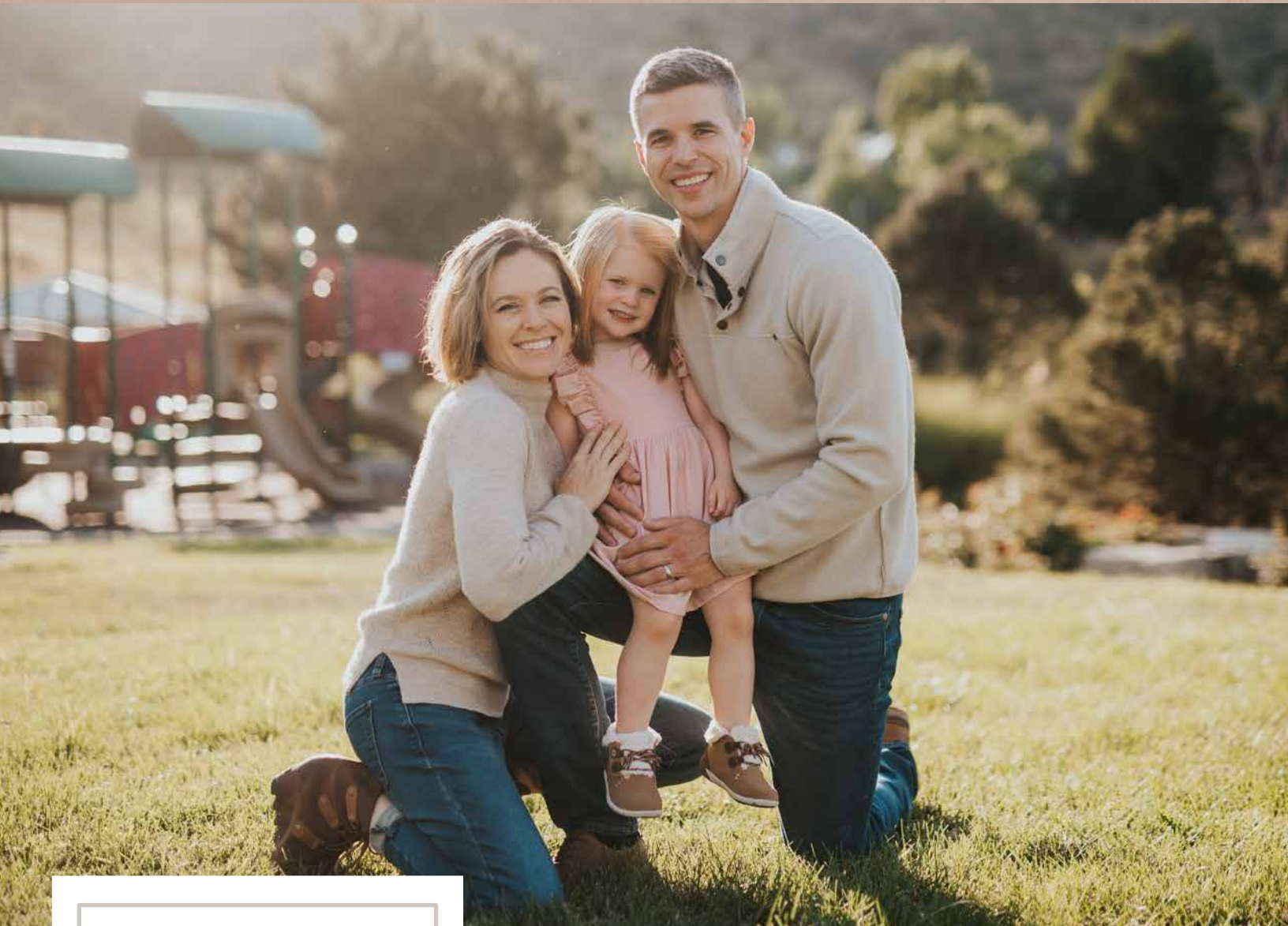
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Taylor *and* Jordan



Hello!

We are Taylor, Jordan, and Reagan,



and we
thank you
for spending
some time
getting to
know us.

As high-energy, fun-loving people living in Golden, Colorado, we have more hobbies than we can count, but particularly enjoy watching a good movie, traveling, and spending time outdoors. We're eager to grow our family to share these life experiences with, and bring more love into our household that has already been blessed once by adoption. While we can't begin to fully understand the emotions you must be feeling, our struggles with infertility have left us with our own emotional journey. We hope that adoption, as difficult as it might be, may become a blessing for both of us.

We know this is a difficult time for you, but if given the opportunity, we would love to be a positive force in your life. We are committed to developing and maintaining a relationship that you would be comfortable with while also respecting your preferred level of openness.

We wish you *all the best* during this phase of your life and in your life ahead.



Our little family is so excited to grow through adoption!

Our Story

Hiking a 14ner in Colorado



We grew up minutes apart, went to the same high school, became prom dates, and have been together ever since. In fact, the day of this writing marks our 19 year dating anniversary (yes, we still keep track, don't judge :). As an aspiring artist and engineer, we found ourselves attending different universities after high school and managing a long distance relationship. After earning our degrees, Taylor took a job with a men's underwear company (Jordan wasn't a fan), while Jordan started grad school to get his masters in electrical engineering (Taylor was a fan). Shortly after graduation, Jordan accepted a job in New Mexico, we got married, and have been inseparable ever since. **Our family grew after Reagan was born, holding her in our arms for the first time when she was just 3 days old.** She instantly became one of us and we are so blessed to have her in our life. She loves to do everything with us and is now hoping for a little brother or sister to share in her adventures. She already has a name picked out...Rainbow Heart Fairy Dust Sparkles. It's a work in progress :)

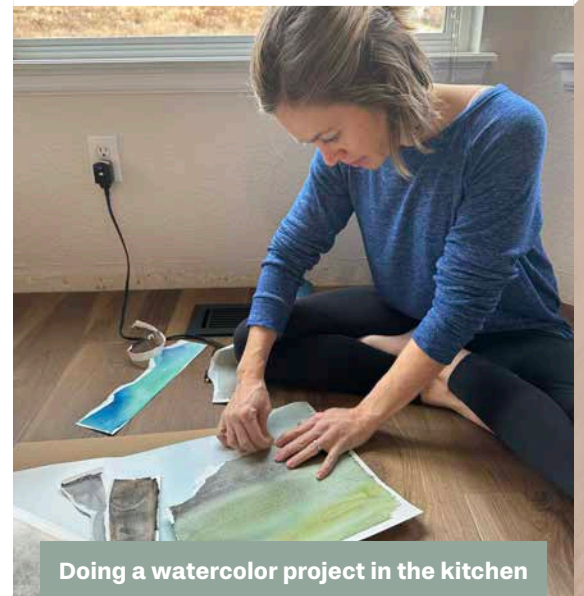


Meet Taylor

written by
Jordan

Taylor grew up in the suburbs of St. Louis to become one of the most genuine, down to earth people you will ever meet. With an absolutely contagious personality, she is full of life, positivity, and no stranger to cutting it loose on the dance floor. She's an extremely gifted artist with a borderline unhealthy obsession with throw blankets and anything having to do with Harry Potter. **Her youthful and playful nature makes her as popular with children as it does her friends.**

Carving pumpkins is one of our favorite traditions!



Doing a watercolor project in the kitchen

Fun Facts

Hobby:
Ceramic art

Musical Artist:
Mumford and Sons

Author I love to
read:
J.K. Rowling

Seasonal
Activity:

*Walking among
the aspens in
the fall when
they turn gold*

What do I like
to collect:
Cozy blankets

Camping with friends



Water skiing at the lake

Taylor loves to spend time at her old stomping grounds, the Lake of the Ozarks, to water ski, go boating, ride the jet ski, and spend time with family.

Though she'll forever be a goofball, Taylor gets down to business managing her own small company doing freelance graphic design, paintings, and other fine artwork. **When times get tough, there's nothing a hug, some milk chocolate, or freshly baked chocolate chip cookies can't fix!**

Meet Jordan

written by
Taylor

Jordan grew up in St. Charles, Missouri, a suburb of St. Louis. He always refers to his childhood self as being a dare-devil and wild-child, playing in the woods, racing his go-kart, and rollerblading all over the neighborhood. Now he is a well-respected engineer working for a national laboratory, presenting to officials, creating new technology, and traveling across the US to advance cybersecurity research.



Jordan loves hiking



Jordan and Rea in Golden, Colorado at Clear Creek

But that's Jordan at work. I know him as a guy who can DIY anything, a great cook, a bit of a dork, and my best friend.

He is always level-headed, calmly assessing the problem and developing the solution. He is the rock of his family, always there for his mom and sister. His laugh is contagious, and it usually breaks the ice of any kind of tension, making it easy for him to get along with anyone. He enjoys working with his hands, whether it's working on the Jeep or refining his skills at woodworking. **He is extremely athletic and was a pole vaulter in college; now he loves riding his road bike, water skiing, and camping.**



Waterfalls and hand stands!

Fun Facts

Hobby:
Woodworking

Vacation spot:
San Juan Mountains

Musical Artist:
ARIZONA

What you like to collect:
Experiences, not things

Sport you like to play:
Cycling

What does a perfect day look like:
Doing something active with my family

Sports team:
St. Louis Cardinals

Ice cream flavor:
Vanilla

Lunch box snack:
Hummus

Seasonal activity:
Snow Boarding

Views of the Rockies



Future Big Sister, Reagan

She loves to sing and dance and won't miss an opportunity to snuggle.

She is super curious and eager to learn (flavor of the month is outer space), and we're fortunate to learn just as much from her as she does from us. She loves to swing, run, play with her stuffies, dance, and sing, especially if it's to a Disney princess song. She inspires us to be the best people we can be and we are so incredibly grateful that we were chosen to be her parents.



Having fun in the snow!

A Special Note on Adoption

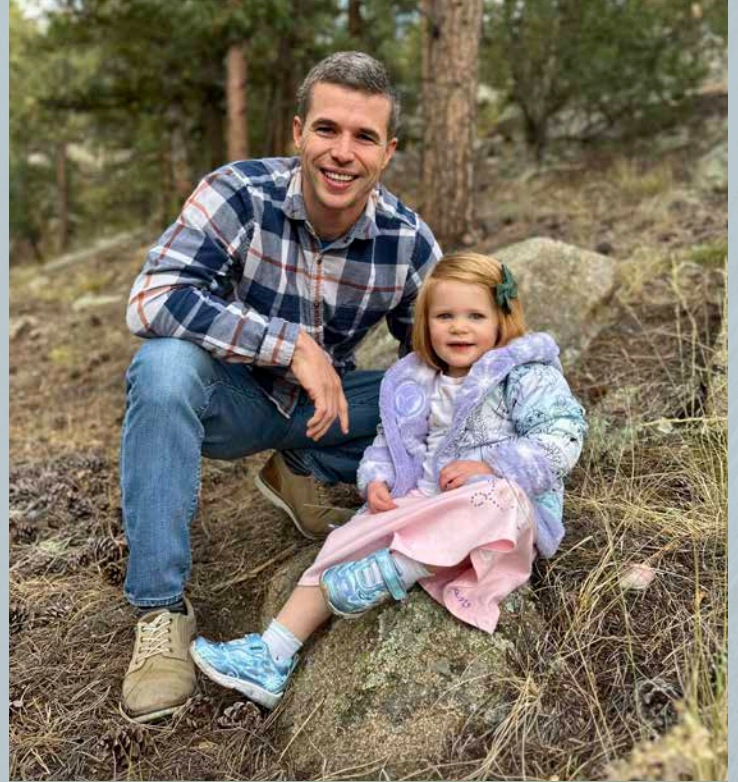
We got a call one afternoon in July that changed our lives forever. A little girl was born the day previous and the birth mother chose us!

Within 24 hours we were meeting this little bundle and the birth mother that chose us. So many huge feelings, but the strongest was LOVE. Reagan became part of our family immediately, and through her, her birth mother. **Reagan is now almost 4 and blossoming into the smartest and sweetest little girl.** She is always ready to give you a smile and hug, and we couldn't be more proud of her.



Doing our best T-Rex impression at the museum

Snowboarding in Canada with Jordan's family



Hiking with dad

Lessons we will Teach your child

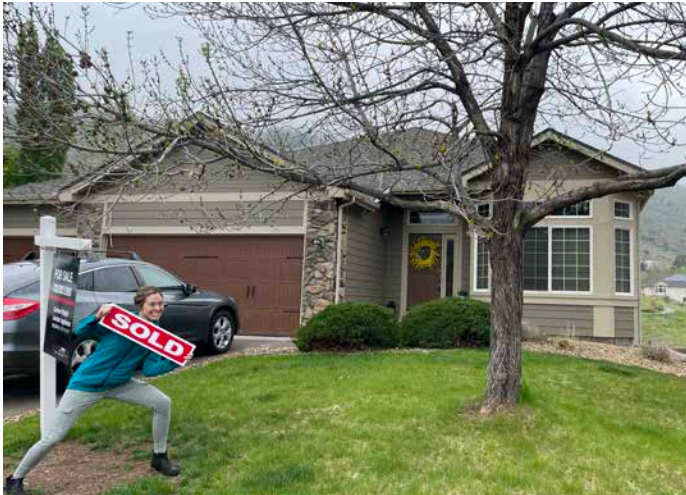
Be curious about
the world and have
an open mind.

Jordan usually winds down every evening with some YouTube channel teaching him some new skill. Hopefully we will be able to pass on everything we learn to our kids, and most importantly the passion for learning. **Whether it is how to build a timber frame cabin, how to throw clay on a pottery wheel, how to do a handstand, how to plant and care for a garden, we want to supplement their traditional education with all kinds of knowledge and experiences that we found interesting growing up!**

Home Sweet Home

Our home is in Golden, Colorado nestled against the front range of the Rocky Mountains.

It is a beautiful open-concept ranch with *amazing views* of the Golden valley.



When we first purchased our home



Walking down Main Street in our town, Golden (Photo by Rea)

Our home is spacious with three bedrooms, two baths, and a large walkout basement that offers plenty of room to grow. Behind our home is a private park where we often meet up with neighbors, who are a close knit bunch with many children around Reagan's age. There are walking and biking trails that run throughout the foothills around our home, allowing children to walk to the neighborhood elementary school or connect to downtown Golden, a vibrant town rich with history just outside of Denver. Our neighborhood is no stranger to elk and other wildlife, and features a monthly food truck for everyone to get together. **The greater Denver area is also packed with recreational things we like to do most, such as hiking the foothills, biking, skiing, visiting the zoo and museums, and tubing down Clear Creek in the summer.**

The view from our backyard



Best Thing About Our Community:

We are new to the neighborhood but already blown away with our neighbors and the Golden Community. There are frequent neighborhood gatherings in the summer, including group bike rides and festivals not to mention holiday events, meetups at the park, and impromptu house parties. It's truly special!



Halloween at our home

Our Travels

We love traveling together.

Our families blessed us with wonderful memories growing up exploring North America and experiencing new cultures. As a result, we value our experiences in life over material things. **So today, we travel the world as often as we can and want to share that with our kids.** You can't beat learning through experience!

Mountain biking on Maui



A trip to Peru with Jordan's Mom



Our Village

We are *incredibly fortunate* to have such close extended family and friends.



Taylor with her sister, cousin, and friends downtown Denver

Taylor's family is extremely close and every year have multiple family trips. Her dad passed away from cancer and is missed everyday. Taylor's mom was a flight attendant, hairdresser, and artist. She always has her hands busy, and loves making crafts with her daughters. Taylor has a younger sister and brother-in-law who love traveling, being outdoors, and rooting for the St. Louis Blues. During the annual family trip, Taylor's extended family squeeze into a cozy lake house for a week packed with fun. We spend the mornings water skiing and afternoons swimming. Even the family pups join us and love dock diving for tennis balls.



Taylor's family during their annual lake trip



Christmas with Taylor's family



Jordan's family in Toronto, Canada

Though spread across the southwest, Jordan's family is also very close. Jordan's mother has a rich French-Canadian background and currently living in Tucson. His father was a beloved construction journeyman from rural Missouri. Unlikely to meet, they quickly fell in love and gave birth to a rascal of a son, and a daughter who would become Jordan's partner-in-crime. Jordan's sister is a registered nurse at a local Albuquerque hospital and a full-time mom to two sweet little boys with her husband.

Taylor, Jordan, and Rea with Jordan's mom, sister and brother-in-law



We absolutely love being parents.

Don't get us wrong, parenting doesn't come without its challenges, but it is so rewarding for us to watch Reagan grow and share life's experiences. Children really put things in perspective for us, and the love we have for each other grows stronger every day. **We work hard but also play hard, treat everyone with respect, have compassion for those less fortunate, try to follow an active and healthy lifestyle, and strive to be good stewards of our environment.** These are things we want to instill in our children so they can be the best person they can be while ultimately leaving this world a better place than they found it.

On Parenting



Open Adoption and Diversity

We are committed to developing and maintaining a relationship that you are comfortable with and will also respect your preferred level of openness after the child is born. Whether that is a more open relationship, occasional letters and photos, or little to no contact, we will respect your decision and the level of privacy you wish to have moving forward. **We value diversity in our life, including our friendships, our workplace, and our family.**

Family Information



Father's Name: Jordan

Occupation: Electrical Engineer

Education: Master's Degree

Religion: Christian

Date of Birth: August 13, 1986

Hair Color: Brown
(okay, and maybe a little gray)

Eye Color: Blue

Height: 5'11"

Mother's Name: Taylor

Occupation: Graphic Designer

Education: Bachelor's Degree

Religion: Christian

Date of Birth: April 4, 1987

Hair Color: Brown

Eye Color: Green

Height: 5'4"

Date of marriage:
September 24, 2011

Children:

Reagan, 7/6/20, Adopted.

She is a smart and independent little girl. She loves to sing and dance and won't miss an opportunity to snuggle.

Interests & hobbies:

We love traveling together, going camping, trying a new restaurant or just cuddling on the couch watching movies. Jordan loves woodworking and cycling. Taylor loves to do ceramics, paint, sew, and garden.

Home:

Our home is in Golden, Colorado, nestled against the front range of the Rocky Mountains. It is a beautiful open-concept ranch with amazing views of the Golden valley.

Pets: We are dog lovers at heart, and our furry friends are true members of the family. Although we recently lost our beloved Vizsla, Summit, we are in search of another pup to add to our family.

Why are you interested in building your family through adoption?

After struggling with infertility we chose to grow our family through adoption.

After having such a powerful and positive experience with the adoption of our first little one, we knew that we would love to grow our family and welcome another little one into our lives.

Openness to birthparent(s):

We are committed to developing and maintaining a relationship that you are comfortable with and will also respect your preferred level of openness after the child is born. We would love to update you with photos on a shared album and maintain contact to the extent you are comfortable with.

Childcare plans:

We plan to spend as much time with the little one as possible before returning to work. Our goal is to stay home with them for 6 months before finding a childcare facility or in-home nanny who we are comfortable with.

Thank You

for taking the time to get to know us.

We would be so *grateful* for you to choose us as parents and big sister, Reagan.

Our family is small, but our hearts are big, and we want nothing more than to help raise another child in a loving home to become the best person they can be. Again, we know this is a difficult, uncertain, and even confusing time for you. If given the opportunity, we would love to be a positive force in your life. We are committed to developing and maintaining a relationship that you are comfortable with and will also respect your preferred level of openness after the child is born. **Whether that is a more open relationship, occasional letters and photos, or little to no contact, we will respect your decision and the level of privacy you wish to have moving forward.** We wish you all the best during this phase of your life and in your life ahead.

