



ABBY & PATRICK

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ALL THAT WE LOVE DEEPLY
BECOMES PART OF US.

Helen Keller



hello,

THANK YOU

for taking the time to learn a little about us and our family!

We are Abby and Patrick. We met online in 2009 and were married a few years later in 2013. In the past eight years, we've added two canine family members who are the sweetest giant fluffballs around.

Together, we love adventuring around the world, but also greatly value our time together at home with our dogs. When at home, we also enjoy working together on home projects and stargazing when the sky is clear.

While we've had a number of exciting adventures together, our biggest adventure is still to come. After years of trying to start a family, we have determined that for us, the road to parenthood will be through adoption. We are very excited about this new adventure and are grateful for birth parents like you who consider an adoption plan for their babies.

We know that you have a lot to consider in the decision to place
your child for adoption, and we respect your courage and pray
you find peace in your choices, no matter what you decide.

All our love, Abby and Patrick

our story.

**WE MET ONLINE 12
YEARS AGO.**

Abby's kind, engaging, and easy-going personality and Patrick's sense of humor, intelligence, and passion made the decision easy to extend our first date and we went to a comedy show. Countless dates and events followed, and then Patrick was offered a job in 2011 in Tulsa, OK which was too good to pass up. We spoke about Abby moving but it was not the right timing, so we continued dating long-distance for another year and a half.

In fall of 2012, we took a romantic trip to Italy and upon returning home realized we really didn't like that "home" still meant 2 different states.

We got engaged and found the perfect home for us right outside of Tulsa. We tied the knot in 2013 and we're now both Okies. Since then, this has truly become our home and we love it here.



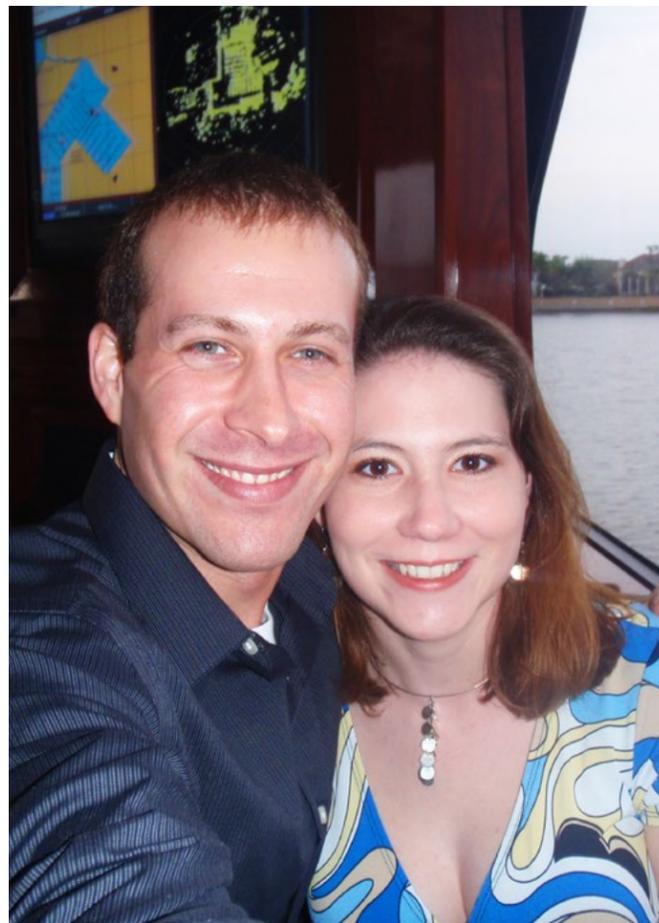
choosing adoption

**WE HAVE BOTH ALWAYS KNOWN WE
WANTED TO HAVE CHILDREN.**

When it was discovered that biological children were not an option for us, we began exploring adoption as a way to build our family.

We have friends and family who are birth moms and adoptive parents.

After speaking to them and doing additional research, we decided that domestic infant adoption was right for us. We have loved getting to spend time with our niece and nephew, and are looking forward to having our own child to love.





meet abby TOLD BY PATRICK

Abby was born in St. Louis, MO but mostly raised in a suburb of Houston, TX where her family moved when she was still young. She considers herself being raised a Texan, but she has a deep connection with St. Louis and loves her hometown. She went to a small Presbyterian college, Schreiner University, in the hill country of Texas before she moved back to a suburb of Houston until she married Patrick and called Oklahoma home.

Her passion and kindness are the first things you will notice about her.

Even her love of quilting grew from volunteering at church to make quilts for people in need. She has also become quite the adventurer and has developed a passion for travel. When at home you will find her playing with the dogs, working outside on the property, or scheming up the next home project. She has put together a beautiful nursery for our future child and I am confident that she is going to thrive as a new mother.

A FEW OF THE BASICS

Occupation: Low-Income Housing

Education: Bachelor of Arts, Major in English

Religion: Presbyterian

Date of birth: 12/23/1980

Hair color: brown

Eye color: brown

Height: 5'4"

A FEW OF THE BASICS

Occupation: Engineer

Education: Bachelor of Science, Major in Electrical Engineering, Minor in Math

Religion: Raised Catholic, currently Presbyterian

Date of birth: 12/28/1981

Hair color: brown

Eye color: hazel

Height: 5'7"

meet patrick TOLD BY ABBY



Patrick was born and raised in Louisiana (near Baton Rouge) and went to school at Louisiana State University (Geaux Tigers!). Since then, he's lived in Texas and now Oklahoma, but he still has a bit of Cajun in him. He is patient, kind, and compassionate; he loves to have fun and is a fantastic cook. He's also incredibly smart and self-motivated, and is always striving to be his best at whatever he does. He has a degree in electrical engineering (and has the stereotypical engineer nerdiness), but he's also one of the most entertaining people I know.

He loves to travel, watch LSU football, play with the dogs, nap on the porch, build things, and loves just about anything electronic. And when we're lucky enough to get snow (as happens maybe once or twice a year), he can be found sliding down the backyard hill on a homemade sled forged of cardboard and duct tape.

Patrick is going to be an amazing dad and I can't wait to watch him with our future child.

things we love



TOGETHER WE LOVE

Travel (Domestic and International)

Our dogs

Game nights

Home Improvement Projects

Sunsets

Stargazing

Penguins

PATRICK LOVES

Mountain biking

The Beach

Electronics

Cars

LSU Football



ABBY LOVES

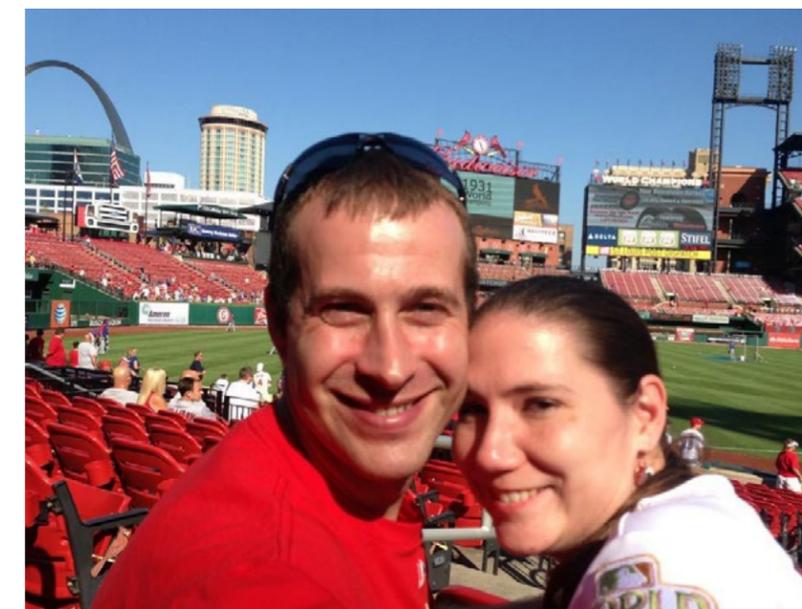
Quilting

Reading

The Lake (any lake will do!)

Photography

Cardinals baseball





WE LOVE WHERE WE LIVE:

We have a large yard which is partially fenced in, and we recently were able to purchase the lot next door as well so we can extend our yard and have more room to play. Our neighborhood is small and not yet fully developed, though our house is around 14 years old. We have great neighbors, and there's a pond across the street from us where we love to watch geese and turtles. Our neighborhood is quiet and friendly, and we regularly walk the dogs and visit with neighbors who are out doing the same.



home sweet home
WE LIVE IN A ONE-STORY,
THREE-BEDROOM HOME IN
OKLAHOMA.

We have an open living room/kitchen/breakfast area, and a screened in porch overlooking the backyard and a valley below. One of the bedrooms is already set up as a nursery. The third bedroom is set up as a guest room for our family and friends who visit from out of town.

Our adventure with our future child has already begun in our hearts,
and we're just waiting to bring our baby home to join us in that journey.





meet our dogs

WE HAVE 2 DOGS, WHISKEY AND HENNA.

We got **Whiskey**, a purebred Golden Retriever, shortly after we married. She's now 8 years old and has yet to meet a stranger. She loves naps, her stuffed puppy (which she's had since we brought her home - it's her security blanket), walks, belly rubs, and almost any type of people food that drops to the floor.

Henna was our surprise dog. When Patrick's uncle had to move, we took Henna in "temporarily." It's been 3.5 years now and we can't imagine our lives without her. She's a Great Pyrenees mix, and is incredibly protective of her family, but she's also very patient. She loves walks, naps on the porch, head scratches, and steak. On a recent family visit, our 5 year old niece Miriam walked Henna with no trouble.



our community

WE LIVE IN A SMALL TOWN NEAR TULSA.

However, we are close to a big city, so we have the benefits of small-town community and the diversity and activities of the city. There are several nearby parks with playgrounds and outdoor events, and there are museums, libraries, and a multitude of other activities for families to do. We are active in our church, which has a small congregation whose members have become a second family to us. Our church has an infant nursery, children's and adult Sunday School and Bible Study classes, Vacation Bible School during summers, and fun activities for children throughout the year.



Both dogs have been around babies and kids on vacations and family visits, and they are both very gentle and have not had any issues.



extended family

ABBY'S FAMILY: Abby is the middle of 3 girls. Her oldest sister, Stacy, and husband, Mark, live in Missouri with their 5 year old, Miriam, and 3 year old, Elliott. Her younger sister, Lindsay, lives in Texas with her boyfriend, Gabe, his 14 year old daughter, Jenna, and his 10 year old granddaughter, Selena.

Abby's parents live in Texas. Her Dad is one of 10 children, and her Mom is the younger of 2 daughters; Abby and her sisters are pretty close to all of their aunts, uncles, and cousins, most of whom live in Missouri. We vacation together with her dad's family at a lake in the Ozarks every other summer and go swimming, fishing, waterskiing, playing board games, and eating a lot. Get-togethers with her Mom's side of the family are usually calmer (there aren't as many of them) and usually involve food and lots of talking.



PATRICK'S FAMILY: Patrick is the oldest of 2 boys, and both of his parents were from smaller families. His parents and brother, Joseph, live in Alabama, where his Mom's sister, brother-in-law, and two brothers also live. His Dad's only brother lives outside of Mobile, AL, and a cousin and her family live in TX. Vacations with Patrick's family usually involve the beach, as both his parents were raised in Mobile and Gulf Shores, AL.

We visit with family as much as we can, whether it's at home or away.

For holidays, we alternate Christmas and Thanksgiving each year with each family. Smaller holidays such as Easter change from year to year and depend on allotted time off and what travel will allow. And sometimes we visit just for fun!



our adventures

WE LOVE LEARNING OF NEW PLACES AND CULTURES AND HISTORY.

Patrick occasionally travels for work, and so we've been fortunate to take advantage of that and have been able to travel domestically and around the world. We are 5/7 of the way to our goal of visiting all 7 Wonders of the World. We are hopeful to have a little one with us to explore the last two!

We collect sunset and sunrise photos from everywhere we go, but the best ones are always from home.

our promises

WE KNOW THAT YOU HAVE A LOT TO CONSIDER.

Should you choose our family for your child, we make you these promises:

We promise to love your child unconditionally, always.

We promise to raise your child with love and respect for you and your family.

We promise to stay connected with you and keep you updated as much as you choose to be.

We promise to raise your child in a Christian tradition, but with an open mind to various religions and faith backgrounds.

We promise to encourage imagination, creativity, and social responsibility as your child grows.

We want to again thank you for taking the time to review our profile and learn more about us. You are incredibly brave and strong to consider adoption for your child.

We pray that you find peace in whatever you decide.

Abby and Patrick



family profile

ABBY

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PATRICK

OCCUPATION: ENGINEER
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MINOR IN MATH
RELIGION: PRESBYTERIAN
DATE OF BIRTH: 12/28/1981
HAIR COLOR: BROWN
EYE COLOR: HAZEL
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Interests and Hobbies: Together, we enjoy traveling, working on home improvement projects, or chasing rare astronomical events. On our own, Abby enjoys reading, photography, and quilting, and Patrick enjoys playing with his latest gadget or driving his sports car.

Home: We live in a one-story, 3-bedroom home in a small neighborhood in the Osage hills outside of Tulsa. We have an open living room/breakfast area/kitchen, and a recently remodeled screened-in back porch. We have a partially fenced-in yard, and recently purchased the lot next door and we hope to create some good outdoor spaces there. Across the street is a small pond for fishing or watching turtles, geese, ducks, and frogs.

Pets: Whiskey, an 8 year-old Golden Retriever, who has never met a stranger and will accept a belly rub from anyone, and Henna, a Great Pyrenees mix of indeterminate age (roughly 5-6 years) who is fiercely protective of her family and home.

Why Adoption: We want to be parents, and because we are unable to have biological children, we are choosing to adopt an infant domestically. We believe all children are precious gifts from God.

Openness to Birthparents: We both come from supportive, close-knit families and believe that knowing where you come from and maintaining a relationship is important. Ideally, we would like to have occasional contact via mail, email, or social media, and may be open to exploring occasional in-person visits and phone calls once the child is a bit older.

Childcare Plans: Since both of us work outside of the home, we plan to enroll our child in an infant pre-school program. We believe it is important for babies to socialize and hope to find a preschool which encourages learning through play.

