

Dear Birthmother,

We are Nathan and Anna

As you are viewing our book, we know you are facing a significant and selfless decision. We know that it is not without a deep love and care for your child that you would be considering an adoption plan, you are "fearfully and wonderfully made"! We feel blessed that you have chosen to consider us by viewing our profile book today. We will share briefly how we decided to adopt. We have always dreamed of becoming parents. Since we are unable to have biological children of our own, we feel that God has directed our paths to expand our family through adoption. We continue to pray and think that we will be a good fit for adoption as we are both teachers who work with children with a variety of unique needs daily. We have nieces and a nephew whom we adore and enjoy spending time with, and we have much love left to give.

We appreciate you taking the time to get to know us better and look forward to hearing from you should we be a potential match.

Our Story

We met in college while studying to become teachers.

Since we are both a little
shy it took us a while to
introduce ourselves it wasn't
until a mutual friend introduced
us that we started talking. The
funny story is that one of our first
dates were to study together at the
library (now Anna is a librarian). We
have now been together for almost
6 years and married for 3 years. Our
marriage is strong because we have

faced many challenges during our first three years of marriage, including the start of our careers, the pandemic, death and sickness of family members, moving homes, and infertility. These many challenges have also come to strengthen our marriage and help us to love each other through all of the good times and the challenging ones. We are closely connected because of our shared family values,

Christian backgrounds and our love for educating children. We live on a family farm with much room to run and play. We currently have one dog (Maui), and we enjoy getting together with each of our families at least once a week. We have good fun, games, and laughter when we get together We are very involved in our church and help lead our youth group and children's church.

OFFICIALLY TEACHERS - HOW WE MET





SINGING, DANCING & LOVE FOR EACH OTHER



OUR ENGAGEMENT PARTY







Written by Nathan

Anna will make a great mom one day!

That is one of the many reasons I fell in

love with her. Anna was meant to be a mom. She is a bubbly, outgoing, and lovely person to be around. She is a caring, compassionate, and kind person. She always looks out for others before herself, she's a great friend, sister, daughter, and wife. Anna is the friend you call on when you need anything. She goes above and beyond to make everyone happy and is highly dedicated in all that she

does especially her career. Anna is an elementary school librarian and battle of the books coach, at the school where she teaches.

She loves nothing more than sharing her passion for children and reading with the world around her. On any given day you will find Anna with a smile and warm welcome. She even won the Leading with the Heart award. She truly has a heart for kids and makes an impact every single day. Needless to say our future child will be very loved.

When Anna is not working, she is usually working on schoolwork for her graduate studies or with family.

Anna loves to travel but is also very much a home body too. She loves to go visit her hometown and even works nearby. She also goes to church every Sunday and serves as a Sunday school teacher.







Anna's Favorites

ANNA DOING A PUZZLE IN HER SPARE TIME



Vacation spot

The Beach

Lunch Box Snack
Chips & Dip

Can't Live Without

A cozy blanket

Children's Book

Letters from Felix: A Little Rabbit on a World Tour

Dream Job

Librarian

I like to collect

Snow globes

Seasonal Activity

Going to the fair and enjoying all the different food, games, and rides

Accessory

Cute earrings

Hobbies

Crafting, reading, gardening, traveling, shopping, spending time with family

Ice Cream Flavor

Cookie Dough



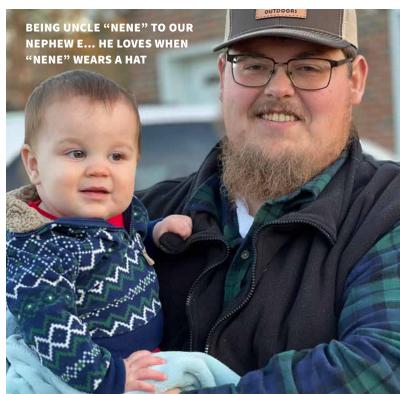
About Nathan

Written by Anna

Nate was meant to be a dad.

Kids are naturally drawn to him and he has been that way his entire life.

Nate is such a caring, compassionate, and loving person. He always looks out for others, he's a great friend, brother, son, and husband. He is the friend you call on when you need a hand. He does his best to never break a promise and is highly dedicated in all that he does especially his career. As a teacher and coach, he works with and mentors teenagers every single day. Nate is a football, basketball, and baseball coach at the Middle School where he teaches. He truly has a heart for kids and makes an impact every single day. When he is not coaching he likes to spend time outside with me and our dog Maui. He also likes to go hunting with his brother and play corn hole with his best friends. Nate has one brother who he talks to each day when he gets home from work. He loves his mom and dad and will do anything he can to help them. He has become a huge part of my family as well and loves to spend time with both of our families.



Nate loves a road trip but he is also very much a home body.

He loves to be close to home and spend time on the farm outside with his family. He goes to church every Sunday no matter what and loves the Lord with all his heart.



Nate's Favorites



Vacation spot

The Mountains

Lunch Box Snack

Doritos or Goldfish

Can't Live Without

Diet Coke

Sports Team

Kansas City Chiefs

Dream Job

Coach and School
Counselor

Children's Book

The Giving Tree

Source of Inspiration

My grandfather who was also a school teacher

Perfect Day

Spending time with family, lots of love, laughter, and good food

Hobbies

Coaching sports, watching Nascar, playing cornhole, hunting, fishing, spending time with family

Ice Cream Flavor

Chubby Hubby (Ben & Jerry's)



Our Home

We live in a rural North Carolina town with lots of farmland. We love the spacious yard, quiet neighborhood, and being nearby to Nathan's family. Nathan's family have an event barn where they host family gatherings for holidays, birthdays, and other special events. We are not far from a few major cities that have entertainment (movies, bowling, etc.), as well as restaurants, shopping, doctors offices, and more. We are about 45 minutes from the beach perfect for a day trip or a quick getaway with

the family. As you know from previous mentions that we are both teachers so our future child would be able to attend school where we work for both elementary and middle school. At home we enjoy relaxing by a bonfire, watching sunsets on the front porch, or hosting family get togethers.



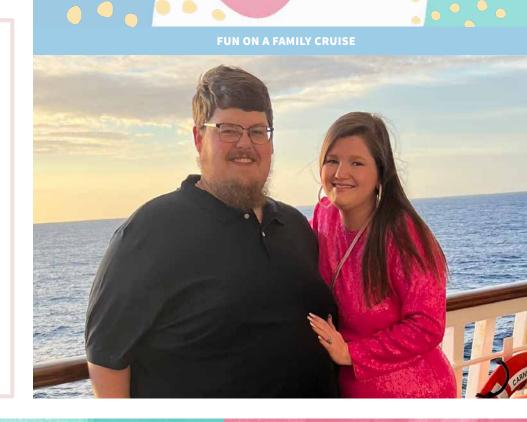
THE FRONT OF OUR HOM





Our Bucket List

is to go on a tropical vacation together. We hope to be able to take our future child on many trips and family adventures when they get older!







Our Dog

We have one dog - Maui. He is a Chiweenie and loves to be scratched and snuggled.

His favorite activity sitting on our porch and watching the birds and squirrels. He also loves to get cheese treats. He is our only baby right now and we love him so much.



Our Family

Together we have a lot of family and friends that would be involved in our future child(ren)s lives.

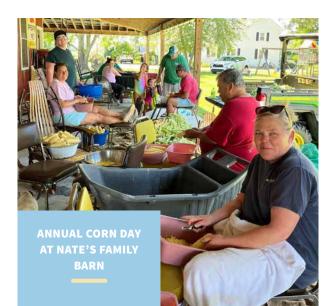




Nathan has one brother who is married with two kids (our nieces). We see them quite often and get together for meals, family movie night, game nights, and other gatherings. Nathan's mom and dad live next door and have two dogs

who we love very much. Nathan's mom has always been a stay at home mom and is very involved with her church, community, and her children and grandchildren's lives. She loves to cook and host family and is a very giving and

loving person. Nathan's dad owns his own business as a mechanic and enjoys working on cars and farm equipment. He works hard to provide for his family, give back to his community, and serves as a deacon at the church that we attend.







ANNA WITH HER CLOSEST FRIENDS





GATHERING ON CHRISTMAS EVE WITH ANNA'S FAMILY

Anna also has one brother who is married with one kid (our nephew). We see them as often as we can, although they work opposite schedules than we do. Anna's mom was also a school teacher and is now retired and a stay at home Mimi to our nephew. She is also a very loving and kindhearted person and gives back to her community and church. Anna's dad owns his own business as well (a print shop) he is very hardworking and friendly. He is president of the Rotary club and deacon at his church.

Our family is very supportive of us in our wishes to adopt and are excited to add another member(s) to our families.



Our Family Traditions

include going on a yearly summer trip with Nathan's family for the 4th of July and a yearly New year's trip with Anna's family. This annual trip is important to us because we take time to slow down from work and other distractions to enjoy life and make lifelong memories with our loved ones.

Our Values

We promise to give your child a **positive upbringing** and reflect christian values.

They will be welcomed with open arms into our family and extended family who will love them unconditionally.

We will devote ourselves to showering your child with love, affection, and an opportunity to education.

We will find joy in all that life brings and we will teach them to do the same.

We will **provide support** and **encouragement** for them throughout all of lives endeavors.





PRETENDING TO DRIVE THE GOLF CART WITH OUR NEPHEW, EVERETT



RELAXING WATCHING BLUEY WITH OUR NIECE, SUTTON





Our Promises

Our future child will **know who you are** and that you are
the first page in their story.

We promise to do all that we can to give your child the best life imaginable.

We already have a room set up for our future child and plan to make it their own when they arrive.

Our future child will be very involved in both of our families lives and each of them pray everyday for us to find our perfect match. Should you find that we are a good match you will become part of our family's story too.

Thoughts on Parenting

When we think about our future child the first thing that comes to mind is teaching them about Jesus and involving them in church from a very young age. We hope to share our love for our families with them as well as teaching them about their birth family. We plan to establish routines and enjoy family dinners, read together, and make

it a priority to spend time together as much as possible. We hope that we can share our love for reading, sports, adventure, and church as our future child grows older and begins to explore their own interests as well. We promise to be open minded and always be willing to listen to the child and what their wants and needs are before our own.

Open Adoption and Diversity

When we think about our adoption plan, we hope to include the birthparent(s) to whatever extent they feel comfortable. We would love to invite them to family gatherings such as holidays and birthdays, send pictures via text or social media, and would be open to scheduling phone calls. We understand that there could be barriers with being able to meet on a regular basis but would be willing to drive or fly at least once a year to see the birthparent(s) as we want to be open with our future child. We of course again respect the birth parent(s) wishes as well and will be willing to be as open or as closed as they feel comfortable.

We are open to transracial adoption and would love a child of any race or nationally the same that we would if they were our biological child. We would be willing to learn about and incorporate our child's heritage into our daily lives by talking with friends who share the same heritage and culture as our future child, attending festivals and cultural events to gain awareness, and communicating with the birth mother if she feels comfortable sharing what aspects of heritage and culture are most important for her child to know.



Family Information





Date of marriage: 06/20/2020

Children: No children.

Interests and hobbies:

Together we enjoy spending time with our family, going to the movies, working on the yard, playing board games, going to church, and working with the youth groups.

Apart from the things we do together, Nathan also enjoys coaching football, basketball, and baseball, playing cornhole with his friends, fishing and hunting with his brother. Anna also enjoys coaching the Battle of the Books team, gardening, doing puzzles, reading the Bible, painting, spending time with friends, and traveling/adventuring.

Home: We live in a rural country community surrounded by farm land. We live about a half a mile from our church & the fire department as well as two doors down from our in-laws. We are not too far from town where there are local shops and a grocery store. We are about 15 miles- 25 miles from three major cities where there are hospitals, dining, and entertainment options.

Pets: We have one dog- Maui. He is a Chiweenie and loves to be scratched and snuggled. His favorite activity sitting on our porch and watching the birds and squirrels. He also loves to get cheese treats. He is our only baby right now and we love him so much.

Why are you interested in building your family through adoption? We are interested in building our family through adoption because we are unable to have biological children. We feel that God has directed our path to building a family in a different way and that we will love our future child just the same whether we share the same blood or not.

Openness to birthparent(s):

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Father's name: Nathan

Occupation: Middle School Teacher/ Athletic Director

Education: B.S. in Middle Grades Education

Religion: Christian

Date of birth: 12/07/1995

Hair color: Brown

Eye color: Green

Height: 5'10

Mother's name:

Anna

Occupation:

Elementary School Librarian

Education: B.S.

in Middle Grades Education; Currently working on Masters in Library Science

Religion: Christian

Date of birth: 04/09/1998

Hair color: Brown

Eve color: Hazel

Height: 5'4

Childcare plans: Our future child will stay at home with the adoptive father (first 4 weeks of placement) and the adoptive mother (first 8 weeks of placement). After returning to work, our future child will stay with both of his/her grandmothers on a regular basis while parents are at work. The child will stay with Nathan's mom who lives next door during the day for half of the week and the other half will stay with Anna's mom the other half who is about 10 minutes from Anna's Work. Both grandmothers are retired and take care of one other grandchild so our future child would have someone to play with and spend time with during the day. After the child is no longer an infant, we may look into a day time program where the child could go for a few hours a day and interact and play with other children at a nearby church. We plan to pick the child up each day after work and drop them off each morning before we leave after the initial 8-week bonding period. Since we are both teachers and we work a fixed schedule, we have off holidays, evenings, and weekends and would have more time to spend with the child during those times.

We Want To Thank You Again

for taking the opportunity to get to know us better.

As you consider the best match for your child, we promise to love and embrace your child, but we also hope to gain you as part of our family as well. Please know that we want to be as open or as closed with the adoption as you feel comfortable but want our future child to know that you are part of them as well. Together we are forever bonded by the precious love of a child. We know that God has a perfect plan for each child and before they are even created he counts them all and calls them all by name. So, no matter your decision we think that you are a remarkable person for your courageous decision in considering an adoption plan your child.

We wish you all the best in your endeavors and look forward to hearing from you should you choose us as your perfect match!

