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# Ryan and Bridget



# THANK YOU

▼ ▼ ▼ for taking the time ▼ ▼ ▼  
to read our profile and learn  
about our family as you  
consider the decision to place  
your child for adoption.



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**We understand the complexity and anguish of the choice you have in front of you.**



We hope that through this profile book, you can learn a little bit about our family and consider us for placement.

We have been together since 2003 and married since 2008. Although we loved being a family of two, we always knew that we wanted to be parents. Due to many reasons, we are not able to have biological children, however, that didn't stop us!

**Through adoption in 2021, we have been blessed with our beautiful daughter. We love spending time together as a family and can't wait to welcome another family member.** We believe that family is defined by love and not blood.

# Our Story



**We both grew up in Colorado and met at the same high school. We had several classes together but it wasn't until our senior year that we started dating.**

▶ At the end of the summer, we couldn't say goodbye, so we tried the long distance relationship. After the fall semester in college, Bridget transferred so we were at the same college. We dated for the next four years and got married in June 2008. At our wedding, Bridget shared that she knew from the beginning that if we started dating we were going to get married—we were meant to be.

**We both knew that we wanted to be parents at some point.** After about 5 years of infertility, we felt strongly that we were called for adoption. In 2021, we were blessed to adopt our daughter, Maci. She is the highlight of our lives and we love spending time together! **Our extended families are nearby so we spend time playing with cousins and grandparents on the weekends.**

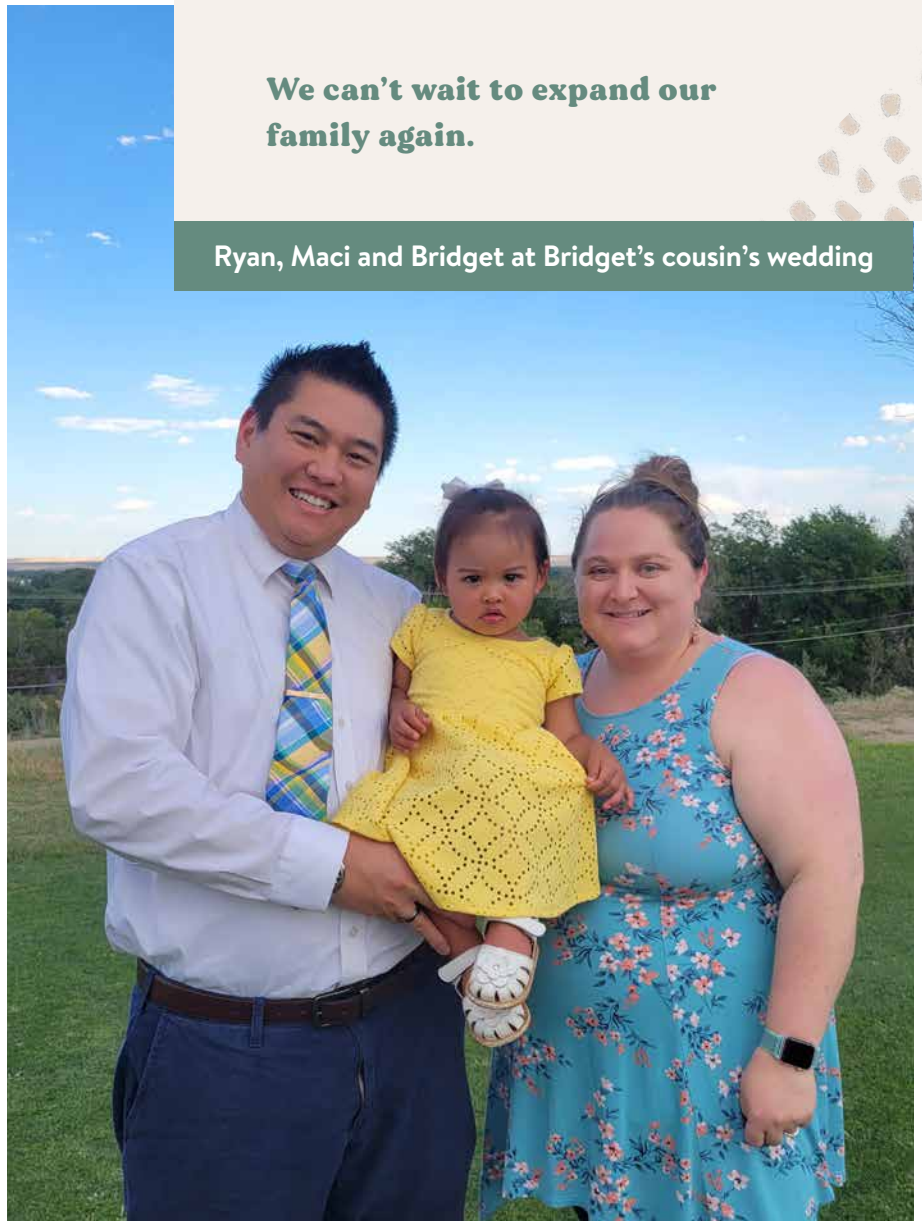
**We can't wait to expand our family again.**

Ryan, Maci and Bridget at Bridget's cousin's wedding



Dancing together at Bridget's best friend's wedding

Ryan and Bridget in City Park



# About Bridget



WRITTEN BY RYAN



**Bridget is an amazing mom, wife and professional.**

As a mom, Bridget has a heart of a lion. **She encourages Maci to be brave, kind, and loving to everyone.** She makes us laugh whenever we are together. She reads every day to Maci, which is their special time together. **Bridget loves playing dolls and princess with Maci.**



As a wife, Bridget is always encouraging me to grow and challenge myself to be my best. She is my rock and strength as I have progressed through my career and as a father.

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Celebrating 500 classes at OrangeTheory



Bridget horseback riding in 2019



We love story time!

## ♥♥ Fun ♥♥ Facts

**FAVORITE DESSERT**  
German Chocolate Cake

**FAVORITE ICE CREAM FLAVOR**  
Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough

**FAVORITE HOLIDAY**  
Halloween

When she's not with the family, Bridget will workout at OrangeTheory. She also enjoys reading and playing with the dogs.

**FAVORITE SEASONAL ACTIVITY**  
Fall Festivals

**PLACE TO TAKE A CHILD**  
Library

**CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT**  
Coffee

**SOURCE OF INSPIRATION**  
Ruth Bader Ginsberg

**VACATION SPOT**  
Seattle



# About Ryan



WRITTEN BY BRIDGET



Ryan and Maci at music class



Ryan at Rocky Mountain National Park



**I fell in love with Ryan within a few months of us dating and haven't looked back.**

His compassion, selflessness and sense of humor are just a few of his many great personality traits. He treats his family and me with respect and love like no other person I have ever met. He absolutely loves being a dad to Maci and I love seeing them together.

**Ryan is a natural at being a father.** He seems to have a sixth sense with how to interact with Maci. I am constantly amazed by him. **He invents games and Maci loves playing with him. Just watching them is such a joy.** Ryan loves taking Maci on adventures, whether its just the grocery store or swimming, he just wants to be with our family.

**Ryan is an Assistant Principal at a local high school.** He is a workhorse. He is dedicated to his school and students. He has been recognized many times over and is a leader within his district. His coworkers are so impressed by his ideas, innovation and caring. He is absolutely invaluable at his job and it is clear he was called to be in education.

# Fun Facts

When Ryan is able, he loves to do projects around the house and is a very skilled woodworker.

## FAVORITE DESSERT

Brownies

## FAVORITE ICE CREAM FLAVOR

Coffee

## FAVORITE HOLIDAY

Christmas

## FAVORITE SEASONAL ACTIVITY

Going to the pool

## PLACE TO TAKE A CHILD

Zoo

## CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT

Coffee and Spotify

## SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My mom

## VACATION SPOT

Mountains - Estes Park



Remodeling the bathroom



Thanksgiving baking with help from Maci



Celebrating his birthday at a distillery



# Our Home & COMMUNITY

Our front living room



4th of July Parade in our neighborhood



We live in a four bedroom, two-story home in Highlands Ranch, a suburb of Denver. We are close to great schools, parks, shops, restaurants and libraries.



► **Our home is comfortable and cozy.** Ryan loves to cook so his favorite place is in the kitchen. He makes breakfast everyday and dinner most nights. One of the things he loves to do is teach Maci how to cook. She is the best at making cookies and is a great taste-tester. Bridget loves spending time in the family room. In the Fall and Winter, the fireplace is often on in the background, while Maci and her read and play together. It is warm and relaxing. Maci loves our large backyard. You can find her out there playing on her playset or with the dogs. We love decorating for holidays and having large family gatherings at our house. **Our neighborhood has many parks and activities nearby we are constantly attending.** Our neighborhood has an event area that hosts family friendly activities and festivals that we routinely attend together.

The front of our home





# Meet Maci

▶ **Maci is our wonderful, smart, and funny daughter.** We were blessed to adopt her in 2021. She is a typical toddler- full of energy and always on the move. Maci loves going to music class and singing Disney songs, especially Frozen. She loves to go swimming throughout the year. We play regularly at the park in our neighborhood. Maci is very independent and smart. She learns everyday and keeps us on our toes with her witty comments. **She can't wait to welcome a new sibling and playmate to the family.**



Mother's Day 2023



Family fundraiser walk

Beau and Max lounging in the front room



Maci and Beau playing outside



## Our Dogs

BEAU & MAX

**Our family has two wonderful dogs that are just as important to us.**

Max is our 13 year old long-haired Dachshund. He is iconically known as our "sausage dog" among the nieces and nephews. Although he is 13 years old, you would never know it since he can act like a puppy. Beau is the newest addition to our family and is a 1 year old Cockapoo. He is full of energy and great playmate for Maci, keeping each other busy throughout the day.

# Our Loved Ones



Ryan's entire family



Bridget's brother Andrew's family



Bridget's parents



Ryan's parents

► We are so lucky to have a large extended family. When we are all together, there is pure chaos and we love it that way.

Ryan's parents are local and help take care of the grandchildren on a regular basis. They care for Maci two days a week. She loves the quality time she spends with them. Ryan's mother was adopted, so she and Maci share a special connection. Ryan has 2 brothers and 2 sisters, who are all married. Between his siblings, we have

3 nieces and 4 nephews. **Bridget's parents are local as well, but her brother, sister-in-law and their 4 children live in the Chicago area.** When we are all together, it is always around some meal. We love cooking together and trying new foods as a family. There are always playmates among the nieces and nephews which makes family get-togethers so much fun. As an extended family, we are together at least once a month if not more. We have gone on family vacations together and are looking toward more in the future.

Our  
"BONUS"  
Family

We also have the benefit of our "bonus" family, which is Maci's birthmother's family that live in the area.



This includes her aunt, uncle, grandmother and great-grandmother. We get to see our bonus family every week at church. We love spending time with them and they are now our family.

Maci with Lola & her Aunt Mya at the aquarium



Maci with her uncle



With Maci's birth family on Easter



Maci with all her grandmas



# Our Favorite Tradition



Every New Year's Day we have a large family feast with all kinds of Asian food. This is something we have done for the last 30 years.

We invite our friends and family. We reflect on the year together and look forward to ringing in a new year as a family.



Ryan's family at dinner together celebrating his brother's wedding

## Words from our Friends



**“Ryan and Bridget embody the essence of great parents,** nurturing Maci with love, patience, and unwavering support, creating a loving environment where she can flourish and grow into a compassionate and confident person.”

**- KEIRA,**  
A CLOSE FAMILY FRIEND



**“Ryan and Bridget embody the true meaning of selflessness.** The devotion they have to their family and friends is one that cannot be matched. Being loved by them is a blessing.”

**- ERIN,**  
A CLOSE FAMILY FRIEND

# Our Thoughts on Parenting

We are so grateful to have this opportunity to expand our family. We firmly believe in spending time together and prioritize family time above everything else.

Family fun at a Fall festival



► We want to build a life for our children that is grounded in a strong education and life experiences. We are also dedicated to having our children grow up with strong Christian values. This means attending church on a weekly basis and fostering a relationship with God. **Our hope for our children is that they have a purposeful and meaningful life.**

We are committed to enriching our children's lives through the activities that they show interest in - from sports to arts and everything in between. Maci loves music so we attend a weekly music class. **She loves other children so she plays with her cousins as often as possible and someday her future sibling.** Our parenting style is kind and loving and will never include physical punishment.

**We are committed to providing the best life possible for our children.**

Maci with her cousins on Ryan's side of the family



# On Diversity

## AND OPEN ADOPTION



### **Our family is dedicated to exposing our children to their cultural roots.**

Our interracial relationship has been the foundation of our marriage and life together. Ryan is Asian/Japanese, and Bridget is White/Irish. We have prioritized learning about each other's cultural and family backgrounds.

**Our daughter, Maci, is Filipino and Taiwanese. We consistently make an effort to participate in cultural events and fairs to expose her to that connection in her life.** We have made a promise to keep this connection as she grows and develops.

As we mentioned, we are blessed by having a strong connection with her birth family. **We have age appropriate conversations about her birth parents and their decision to place Maci with our family.** We will continue to foster these conversations as she grows. We are so blessed in our open adoption that Maci interacts with her birth family on a regular basis. **We are open to having connections, at the appropriate level, with our new birth family.** We feel it is important for our future son/daughter to understand their roots.



# Family INFORMATION

**FATHER'S NAME:**  
Ryan

**OCCUPATION:**  
School Administrator

**EDUCATION:** BS,  
MA, Ed.S

**RELIGION:** Christian

**DATE OF BIRTH:**  
8/31/1985

**HAIR COLOR:** Black

**EYE COLOR:** Brown

**HEIGHT:** 5'7"



**MOTHER'S  
NAME:** Bridget

**OCCUPATION:**  
Paralegal

**EDUCATION:** BS

**RELIGION:** Christian

**DATE OF BIRTH:**  
1/20/1986

**HAIR COLOR:**  
Brown

**EYE COLOR:** Green

**HEIGHT:** 5'0"

**Date of marriage:** June 14, 2008

**Children:** Maci, 1/2/2021, adopted. Maci is full of energy and outgoing. She loves spending time with her family, story time and books at the library, swimming and music.

**Interests and hobbies:** We enjoy spending time together as a family. We like to go to parks, playgrounds, swimming, playing with our two dogs, and hanging out with our extended family. Ryan enjoys woodworking and projects around the house. He loves working in the yard. Bridget spends her time reading and working out when she has some spare moments.

**Home:** We live in Highlands Ranch, which is a suburb of south metro Denver. Our house is cozy and inviting. It is a 2 story, 4 bedroom house with a large backyard. There are several parks within walking distance to our house which we visit often. The library is nearby along with lots of shops and restaurants.

**Pets:** We have 2 dogs, Max, our 13 year old long haired Dachshund, and Beau, our 1 year old Cockapoo.

**Why are you interested in building your family through adoption?** Unfortunately, we are not able to have biological children. We have felt called to build our family through adoption. We were blessed to adopt our daughter in 2021 and wish to expand our family. We are excited to welcome a new son or daughter.

**Openness to birthparent(s):**

We are dedicated to having an open adoption with our birth families. Currently we have an open adoption with our daughter's birthmother which includes sharing pictures, letters and occasional FaceTime calls. Our daughter's birthmother lives out of state and we have had in person get-togethers before and we look forward to more when possible. We have attempted to stay connected with our daughter's birthfather but at this time, he has chosen to have space. We hope to foster a relationship in the future.

Additionally, her birthmother's extended family including her siblings, mother and grandmother are in our local area. We see them on a regular basis and our daughter has a close relationship with all of them. We have expanded our family to include this bonus family. This works for us and we recognize this may be unique but demonstrates our openness and dedication to developing a relationship, when parties agree, with birth families.

**Childcare plans:** Our daughter goes to preschool two days a week for social interaction and developmental learning with children her own age. The other three days a week she spends with her grandparents. Our plan for our next child would include a combination of grandparents and possibly daycare.

# IN CLOSING



**We hope that through this profile you see a glimpse into the future your child could have as part of our family.**



**We are fortunate to have the opportunity to expand our family through adoption.** We are grateful to Maci's birthparents that they chose us to be entrusted with her future. Our hope is that you

feel that same about your child as you consider our family for placement. We are committed to raising our children with love, compassion and empathy, all the while setting them up for a future we can only dream of. **Our family is filled with laughter, joy, love and most importantly hope.** We wholeheartedly believe in being

honest and truthful throughout the adoption process and having an open relationship with our birth families. The transformation of our family after one adoption is apparent. It has shown us that we have so much love to give and hope that you choose us to transform our family again. **Thank you and many blessings.**



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