EMILY & BRIAN







ABOUT US

We are Brian and Emily, a loving and music-filled couple who met in a local community band in 2014. After years of friendship, we began dating in 2018, got engaged later that year, and married in 2019. Both educators, Brian is a band teacher, and Emily teaches elementary music; we share a passion for inspiring young minds. Brian is hard-working and passionate and has a fun, goofy side that lights up any room. Emily is focused, creative, and an amazing baker who brings joy to those around her. We are go-getters who stay active in our community through music while also enjoying life's simple pleasures, like taking walks, visiting friends and family, and cooking together. Some of our favorite memories include traveling to new places, trying new foods, and exploring new hobbies. We are excited to grow our family and share our love through adoption.

OUR HOME

We live in a quiet subdivision in Northwest Iowa, surrounded by walking paths and a welcoming community. Our two-story home, built in 2013, is cozy and perfect for family life. The local school system, where Emily works, is highly regarded, especially for its excellent music programs. We're lucky to have some of our best friends as neighbors, adding to the warmth of our community. Our neighborhood is peaceful and family friendly, making it an ideal place to grow and create lasting memories. Our city features great local restaurants, an independent league baseball team, and a community band, and we're close to the "Ice Cream Capital of the World."







WHAT LED US TO ADOPTION

We have always dreamed of having children and building a loving family. Adoption has held a special place in our lives for years. We've seen the incredible love and deep connections it brings through our godchildren, who were adopted, and a close family friend who was adopted. Emily also has two cousins who were adopted internationally, further showing us the beauty of building a family through adoption. After facing fertility challenges, we knew adoption was the right path for us. We are so excited to embrace this journey and grow our family in this special way.



























EMILY

Occupation: Elementary Music Teacher

Education: Master's degree

Race: Caucasian

Religion: Christian

Food: Chocolate (of any variety)

Hobby: Reading, baking, entertaining

Tradition: Decorating gingerbread houses

at Christmas

Movie: A League of Their Own

Dream Vacation: Hawaii

TV Show: The Golden Girls

Subject in School: Math, music

Holiday: Christmas



MORE ABOUT

BRIAN

Occupation: Band Teacher

Education: Master's degree

Race: Caucasian

Religion: Christian (raised Catholic)

Food: Medium-rare steak

Hobby: Eating out, sports, games

Tradition: Birthday celebrations

Movie: Dumb and Dumber

Dream Vacation: Europe

TV Show: The Daily Show

Subject in School: Math, band

Holiday: Christmas



Brian grew up on a dairy farm, where he learned the value of hard work and the joy of being close to nature. Today his brother runs the family farm, and we love visiting to spend time with our nieces and nephew while enjoying the peaceful rural setting. Emily grew up surrounded by her extended family, spending holidays together with traditions like playing epic games of spoons in her grandparents' basement and watching classic movies. These experiences instilled a deep love for family connections and traditions that we carry forward in our lives. Although our immediate families live in different cities, we make frequent visits to stay close. Emily's family often joins us for concerts and music events, creating fun and memorable moments together.

Here in our city, we've built a chosen family—friends who have become like family. We cherish game nights, shared meals, and outings with them, especially attending local independent league baseball games with their children. These relationships bring so much joy and meaning to our lives. Family, whether by blood or by choice, is central to who we are, and we can't wait to share these connections and traditions with a child of our own.



DEAR EXPECTANT MOTHER,

We are deeply humbled and grateful that you are taking the time to read our profile. The decision you are considering is one that requires extraordinary courage, love, and strength. Words cannot fully convey the gratitude and admiration we feel for you and the selflessness involved in your choice to consider us as parents for your child.

Our hearts are filled with excitement and hope at the opportunity to love, nurture, and support your child. If you choose us, please know that you, your family, and the love you have for your child will always hold a cherished place in our lives. Your child will be surrounded by unconditional love, encouragement, and every opportunity to grow into the incredible person they are meant to be.

We are fortunate to have an amazing support system of family and friends who are just as excited as we are to welcome your child into their lives. Our parents, siblings, and close friends have been cheering us on through this journey, and they are ready to provide endless love, guidance, and support. Your child will be embraced by a community that values kindness, joy, and togetherness. From family gatherings to holidays and everyday moments, they will experience the love and connection that come from being part of a close-knit circle.

We look forward to the possibility of walking this journey with you and are truly thankful for the chance to get to know you better. Your bravery and compassion shine so brightly, and we want you to know how deeply you are loved and appreciated.

With love.

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