

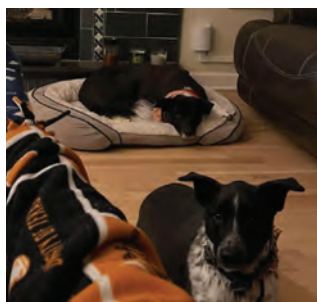
Andy + Stefen





about us

After a few weeks of chatting online in typical modern dating fashion, our first real-world meeting occurred on Christmas Day in 2016 in a hospital lounge. Stefen was working a 24-hour shift on the labor and delivery unit when Andy brought him a Starbucks beverage. We've been head over heels in love and inseparable since that day. Stefen serves as a family medicine physician with a special interest and emphasis on maternity care, LGBTQ health, and addiction medicine. Andy works as a store manager for a coffee shop, where he is dedicated to coaching and team building. Andy's cheerful, spontaneous, selfless, caring, and humorous demeanor are complemented by Stefen's passion, loyalty, quick wit, diligence and forward thinking. We love spending time together going on walks, binge-watching TV shows, kayaking, and playing video games. Stefen loves listening to audiobooks while working on home improvement projects, whereas Andy enjoys gardening and knitting.



our home + pets

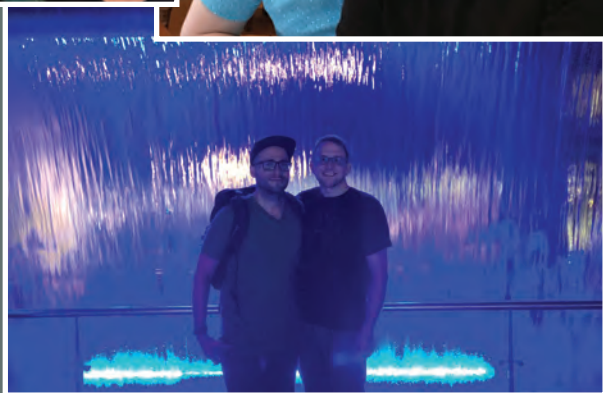
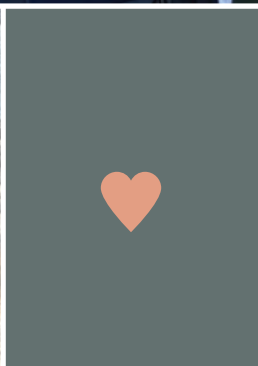
Our five-bedroom, ranch-style home has been a passion project for us, having painted various rooms and installed new floors ourselves. We're located in a family-friendly neighborhood less than a 10-minute walk from the local elementary school and various parks, playgrounds, and walking trails. We have an amazing fenced-in backyard that includes a large deck, garden area, firepit, and hammock with plenty of room for a swing set and/or trampoline in the future. We have two cats and two dogs. Goose is a feisty, food-oriented three-year-old orange short hair, and Cleo is a 12-year-old grumpy tabby. King is a 10-year-old border collie mix who could play frisbee forever, whereas Merlin is a seven-year-old border collie mix who just loves to be loved.



what led us to adoption

Our goal is to expand our family as we have so much love to give. We started our life together just over five years ago and have always known that expanding our family was going to be a part of our future. Being a gay male couple makes this biologically impossible, but being parents is something we both feel like we were born for. We have both known joy and sorrow, which we believe will enable us to be the best parents we can be.

OUR PHOTO ALBUM





andy

OCCUPATION: Retail store manager

EDUCATION: BA - Public Relations

RACE: Caucasian

RELIGION: Christian

SPORT: Swimming

FOOD: Pepperoni pizza

HOBBY: Going to the theater

MUSICAL GROUP: Imagine Dragons

MOVIE: Boondock Saints

DREAM VACATION: African safari

HOLIDAY: Halloween

TV SHOW: Game of Thrones



stefen

MORE ABOUT US

OCCUPATION: Family medicine physician

EDUCATION: PhD - Medicine

RACE: Caucasian

RELIGION: Agnostic

SPORT: Running, tennis

FOOD: Zuppa toscana from Olive Garden

HOBBY: Listening to audiobooks

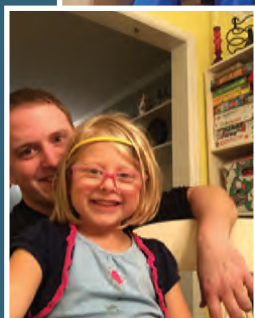
MUSICAL GROUP: Mumford and Sons

MOVIE: Anything Marvel

DREAM VACATION: Scotland highlands

HOLIDAY: Thanksgiving

TV SHOW: Buffy the Vampire Slayer



Our chosen family consists of Andy's family of origin, which hails from the state of Wisconsin and consists of three brothers, the best sister-in-law one could ask for, three nieces, one nephew, his mom and stepdad, his dad and stepmom, and numerous stepsiblings, uncles, aunts, and cousins. Most members of our family live within two hours of our home, and we routinely gather for holidays, dinners, and random weekend events. Stefen has found tremendous love and connection through his acceptance into Andy's family.

A great number of people in our family have April, May, or June birthdays, and as a result, one of our family traditions is celebrating all the birthdays by gathering in Wisconsin during Memorial Day weekend. During that time, we kayak, hike, play/sing music, and order pizza. Stefen has kept some of his childhood traditions alive, including baking pies at Thanksgiving and sugar cookies at Christmas; he can't wait for these to become traditions he shares with our children.



We know this is a confusing and difficult time for you while you are trying to figure out the best option for you and your baby. We admire you so much for considering adoption and hope we can make the process as easy as possible for you.

If you choose us, we want to assure you we are open to whatever kind of contact you wish to have with your child in the future. Without your generosity and selflessness, we would be unable to enjoy what parenthood holds for us in the future. We hope our profile does us justice but anticipate we can get to know you more personally as we embark on this journey together.

Education is a value we hold high, and we will provide our future child with whatever assistance they may need to become a better human being. We will also be open about adoption with your child so they know where they came from and how they've always been loved. Your choice could be our miracle.

With Love,

Stefen + Andy

