# Jessi + Eric



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## about us

Hi! We are Jessica (Jessi) and Eric from Wisconsin. We will happily be celebrating our eighth wedding anniversary this year. Family is at the heart of our relationship, and having children is something we've wanted more than anything. After some struggles and with the support of our family, we were so happy to welcome our son, Finley, into our lives in 2017. Eric served in the U.S. Coast Guard for eight years and is now helping veterans in his current job at the VA. Jessi has worked for a local eye surgeon as a surgery scheduler for the past six years. She works close to home, which allows for quality time with family and participating in school functions for Finley. You can always find us laughing and having fun, even sometimes at our own expense. We all love spending quality time together going camping, attending sporting events, or snuggling on the couch watching a movie and eating popcorn.

#### our home + pets

We have a three-bedroom ranch home in our Wisconsin town. We're able to take walks, ride bikes as a family, go to the neighborhood pool, and explore the different parks and playgrounds in the area. Our town also provides a variety of restaurants and shops with different community events that are within walking distance from our home. During the chilly nights, we enjoy sitting around the fire pit roasting marshmallows and sharing stories with our neighbors and family. Every now and then you can hear the pitter patter of our two dogs, Diesel (two-year-old Boxer Lab) and Brewer (12-year-old Chiweenie), running to greet anyone who comes over to hang out or to snuggle with the first person who looks in their direction.



#### what led us to adoption

After having Finley, we knew right away we wanted to continue to grow our family, but after years of trying, we found out we were no longer able to have biological children. During times of uncertainty, we turned to our faith when trying to understand the bigger picture and realized everything happens for a reason. With the continued support of family and friends and having adoption so prevalent within our family, we knew starting the process of adoption would be perfect for us to share our lives and love with a little one.











# our photo album









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**Occupation:** Surgery scheduler for eye doctor Education: Bachelor's degree Race: Caucasian **Religion:** Catholic **Sport:** Baseball, football, volleyball Food: Italian Hobby: Camping, playing sports, shopping for gnomes Tradition: Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Musical Group: Disney music Movie: Harry Potter Dream Vacation: UK **Holiday:** Spooky Season (Halloween) TV Show: Gilmore Girls Subject in School: English **Book:** Oh, the Places You'll Go!

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### our families + traditions

We are very fortunate to not only be emotionally close with our families but to also have them live nearby. Not only are we close with our parents and siblings but our extended families have also become close with each other as well. The amount of support from generations on both sides and the bridging of our families through marriage has been such a blessing.

Eric is the middle of three children (older brother, younger sister), and Jessi is the youngest of three girls. Interestingly, Jessi has three members of her family who were adopted (grandfather, eldest sister, and nephew). Having grown up with our cousins like siblings, who are some of our best friends in adulthood, it warms our hearts to see the same relationships being forged with our son and his many cousins.

Our time with family is simple: anything from beaching it at the lake, fishing, camping, and sporting events to chasing chickens and picking juicy tomatoes in the garden. We are always on the hunt for a good flea market, small-town festival, or last-minute weekend getaway/camping trip to make more memories together as a family.



## dear expectan mother

To put into words the emotions, physical feelings, and hope you must be experiencing is an impossible task. We admire you for your strength and selflessness in potentially allowing us the opportunity to love and raise your child.

We hope and continue to pray that you may find us the perfect family to raise this child in a home full of laughs, adventures, opportunities, and faith. We look forward to the chance to further spread the joy we experience every day with our son and to have him also experience the same upbringing of having a sibling/best friend as we did. There will be numerous days and nights to come filled with camping, fishing, going to sporting events, playing in the rain, chasing fireflies, traveling, watching and listening to anything Disney, and just being a kid!

The adventures have only begun for us. Our lives have been truly blessed up to this point, and we can't wait to share these blessings with another little one. Should you choose us as the family to raise your child, you can be assured that they will be loved, supported, cherished, and raised with faith. It would be our honor and privilege to provide the same upbringing we were so lucky to have received for another wonderful "little" person!

With love, **Eric** + **Jessi** 

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