Nathan & Kayleigh GROWING OUR FAMILY



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About Us

Hello! We are Kayleigh and Nathan. We met in a bar about nine years ago, and our connection was instantaneous. We spent the evening discussing our hopes and dreams and our shared love of all things nerdy. We were inseparable from the start, and within a year, we were engaged. We built a loving partnership on the basis of a strong friendship and desire to encourage each other's unique tendencies. We moved to Washington six years ago, where Nathan helped to open a restaurant and Kayleigh continued her work in special education. Since then, Nathan has moved into sales and marketing, and Kayleigh has transitioned to being a stay-at-home mom since we had our son, Fox. We love exploring the outdoors, hiking, and spending time with family and friends as well as enjoying time with our son playing games, doing puzzles, coloring, and building with blocks and legos.

OUR HOME & PETS

We live in a quirky four-bedroom, 1960s split-level house in a small town in Washington. We have two cats, Mylo-Ren and Juniper, who can be found chasing laser pointers or napping on Fox's bed. Our neighborhood is tucked away among beautiful trees and greenery and feels quiet compared to the nearby downtown. We are surrounded by families with small children and friendly neighbors, which has been an amazing addition to our lives. We are also located in the top school district in the state, although Fox currently attends a close-knit private school with a lot of family and community involvement. There are regular farmers markets and holiday festivals close by and no shortage of parks, beaches, and walking trails.





WHAT LED US TO ADOPTION

We were incredibly blessed to have our son, Fox (named from the greatest sci-fi television series in history, The X-Files), in 2017. We didn't know at the time that Kayleigh had Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome, which caused extensive damage and chronic pain postpartum. After many failed attempts to control her symptoms, she required a hysterectomy. Though difficult, we had already seen the beautiful way adoption can touch lives through our close friends. As soon as we found out another pregnancy would not be possible, we knew we wanted to pursue adoption. We feel everything we experienced was for a reason, including our friends coming into our lives and sharing their adoption story with us. We are so excited to grow our family and grateful for the opportunity adoption gives us.

our life together





















MORE ABOUT



Occupation: Marketing and sales Education: High school diploma Race: Caucasian Religion: Christian Hobby: Hiking, cooking, motorcycles Book: The Lord of the Rings Musical Group: Avicii, Panic! at the Disco TV Show: Supernatural Movie: Star Wars Tradition Summer boating and swimming Dream Vacation: Chateau in the south of France Subject in school: Math, history





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Occupation: ABA therapist turned stay-at-home mom Education: MA in applied behavior analysis Race: Caucasian Religion: Christian Hobby: Art, baking Book: Furiously Happy Musical Group: The Gaslight Anthem TV Show: How I Met Your Mother Movie: Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind

Tradition: Homemade Christmas morning cinnamon rolls

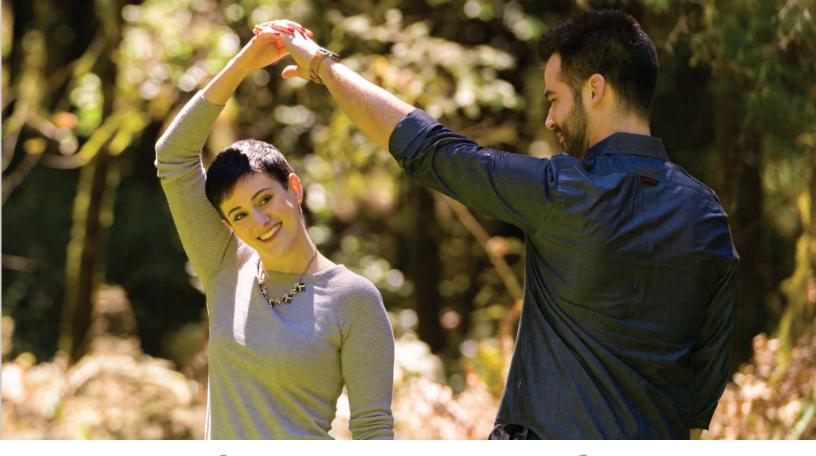
Dream Vacation: Europe Subject in school: English, theater Our family and traditions



We both come from close families. Nathan's family is all located close by in Washington. We love to spend time with Nathan's parents and siblings at the family lake house that sits right on the water, where we can swim, go out on the boat and jet skis, walk on the beach, and just enjoy each other's company. In the winter, snowy days are spent sledding or inside cooking together. One of our favorite family traditions is our big Christmas Eve dinner with all of Nathan's extended family where "Santa" makes a guest appearance and each child gets a gift. It brings so much magic to their holiday experience!

Kayleigh's family is all located in California. Though her family is farther away, that doesn't impact how close our bond is. We FaceTime regularly with her parents and siblings, we visit California once or twice a year, and then Kayleigh's mom visits every year for Fox's birthday and Christmas and any other chance she gets. Our favorite tradition with Kayleigh's family is the big Thanksgiving celebration hosted at her aunt and uncle's house. They set up a long tent and dining tables in their backyard and welcome family as well as any friends who don't have anywhere else to go.





dear expectant mother

We want to start by saying how grateful we are that you are taking the time to learn a little bit about us and hear our story. We know this is one of the most difficult decisions you will ever face, and above all else, we hope you feel supported and appreciated. Whether or not we are the family you connect with, please know we feel so blessed to be considered, and we admire your strength and courage through this process.

Our goal is to make you feel as confident and supported as possible. We do not want there to be any doubt in your mind that your baby will be safe, loved, and encouraged to explore and cultivate every unique gift that makes them who they are with us. We are overwhelmed with joy and excitement at the prospect of growing our family, and just to be considered is an absolute gift in itself.

Our promise to you is to never stop working to provide the best possible life for your child. We will always strive to support their

interests, listen to their needs, approach them with open minds and hearts, and provide them with every opportunity we can to encounter the world and different cultures as they grow and learn. Above all else, we will love them unconditionally, and our gratitude for you will always be present.

With love. Kayleigh and Nathan



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