



ABOUT US

Danielle is an attorney, and Tony is a programmer; we both work for the federal judiciary. We met through our jobs, in a roundabout way, and have been married for nine years. We are a caring and adventurous couple who love traveling, running, biking, gardening, watching sports, and spending time with our two daughters. Our 16-year-old (from Tony's previous marriage) has a passion for music and art, and our 6-year-old enjoys soccer, gymnastics, and ballet. We also own a ballet school for children ages 18 months to eight years old, and we love watching our tiny dancers, including our youngest daughter, grow and learn. It has been an amazing experience, but nothing would give us more joy than the opportunity to welcome a new baby and grow our family.





OUR HOME AND PETS

We live in a four-bedroom, cottage-style home with a great deck and backyard where we love kicking the soccer ball around, playing on the monkey bars and swings with our little one, grilling, and entertaining. Our neighborhood is a historic district with a community theater, community garden, indy movie theater, restaurants, and shops all within a few blocks. There is also a small college nearby where we enjoy game day festivities during football season and other community events throughout the year. Two community parks with great green spaces and a playground are also a short walk away. We really enjoy the family-friendly concert series hosted in one of the parks during the spring. Our newest member of the family, Buddy, is great with kids and loves nothing more than being a lap cat.



WHAT LED US TO ADOPTION

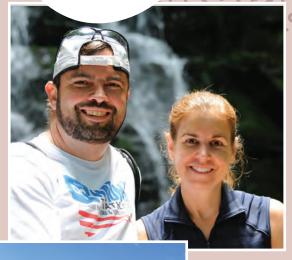
We both want a house full of laughter and little feet running about. After trying on our own and pursuing fertility treatments, we started looking for other ways to grow our family. We always thought adoption was something we wanted to do, even before we married. We both have friends who have adopted (internationally, within the U.S., or through foster care), and we have seen firsthand what a wonderful gift adoption can be.



PHOTOS









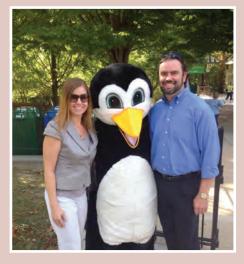












more about DANIELLE

Occupation: Attorney

Education: B.S. degree in political

science, Juris Doctor degree

Race: Caucasian

Religion: Christian

Sport: Football, college basketball,

gymnastics

Food: Indian, Italian, Thai

Musical Group: Depends on the day!

Hobby: Running, yoga, traveling,

reading

Movie: Barbie, Moana (currently a

family favorite)

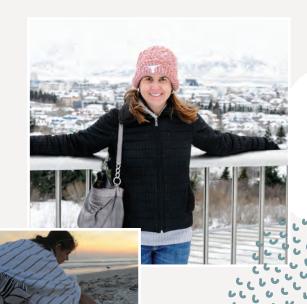
Dream Vacation: Any beach

TV Show: Abbott Elementary, The

Morning Show

Book: A Tree Grows in Brooklyn,

Invisible Man, My Antonia





more about TONY

Occupation: Programmer

Education: A.S. degree plus

post-degree studies

Race: Caucasian

Religion: Christian

Sport: Football, basketball,

hockey

Food: All things pasta, chicken

tagine, a really good burger

Musical Group: Train, Zac

Brown Band, Jimmy Buffet,

Imagine Dragons

Hobby: Running, group fitness, playing golf, traveling

Movie: A Beautiful Mind, Just Mercy, anything Marvel

Dream Vacation: Fiji, Base Camp of Mt. Everest (but no

farther), Peru

TV Show: Friends, The Big Bang

Theory, Modern Family

Book: Harry Potter, Steve Jobs,

A Walk in the Woods



our families AND TRADITIONS

Danielle's mom and sister live in Boston, which makes for fun summer vacations to visit family. We also FaceTime with both of them every week and they visit us during the winter. The rest of Danielle's family all live within an hour of Washington, D.C. and we make regular trips there to catch up with the entire gang.

Most of Tony's family lives a few hours away in the same state. Tony's sister lives an hour away on a beautiful lake. We enjoy spending Thanksgiving Eve with her and her family, celebrating the night before so everyone can be with their family on Thanksgiving.

There are so many traditions we can't wait to share. Thanksgiving means a morning family run before heading home to cook and watch the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade (which we got to see in person one year!). December means cutting down the perfect tree. Decorating the tree is a family favorite because everyone gets one ornament in their stocking that is meaningful about the past year. Unwrapping ornaments becomes a walk down memory lane! We love celebrating together and creating special memories on holidays and non-holidays alike!













dear expectant mother

Thank you for taking the time to get to know us. We can only imagine how overwhelming this experience must be for you. What you are considering is an amazing gift, and we admire you, your courage, and your love for your baby. Above all, we hope and pray you feel loved and supported, and we feel blessed you are considering giving us the privilege and honor of raising your baby.

If we are given this amazing opportunity, please know we will cherish, nurture, and love your child with all our hearts. Your child will run and play with siblings and have every opportunity to grow and experience life to the fullest. They will enjoy lots of fun traditions: ice cream on the last day of school, celebrations on report card day, a visit from the leprechaun on St. Patrick's Day, and one of our favorites—the placing of a decorated heart that says "I Love..." and lists something we love about the child on their door at night for the seven nights leading up to Valentine's Day.

Thank you again for considering us. We are praying for you and your sweet little one throughout your pregnancy. We know you will do what is absolutely the best for your child, even if that does not include us, and we wish you the very best. Sending all of our love.

With Love,

Danielle & Tony

