



Travis & Jessica

Hi!

We are happy and grateful that you have taken some time to get to know us. We hope that our profile gives you a glimpse into our lives and how we intend to provide a loving and nurturing environment for raising a child. Words cannot express how much we truly admire your strength and bravery as you navigate what must be a difficult process. As you consider an adoption plan, we hope that you feel assured knowing your child will have the unconditional love and support of us as their adoptive family.

Our Story



Visiting the Blue Ridge Mountains



Our wedding day

While we grew up several states apart (Jessica in Indiana, Travis in North Carolina), our paths crossed 11 years ago while we were graduate students studying chemistry in Virginia. From the moment we met, we knew there was something special between us. Our friendship quickly grew into love. While Travis finished his Ph.D. and moved to Sweden for a job, Jessica finished her Ph.D. and moved to Ohio. After a year of daily video chats and emails, Travis moved to Ohio and we began our lives together. We got married about 4 years ago at our alma mater, and now we are both chemistry professors at a local university in a very family-friendly department. A few years ago, we were reminded of how life can often turn out very differently than we plan. Our plans to start a family took some unexpected turns due to infertility, and this gave us the opportunity to learn about the beauty of adoption. We are so excited and grateful to be on this journey of building our family.

Travis (by Jessica)

Travis is the most kind-hearted and supportive person I know. He is so smart and hard-working, but he also has a really fun, silly side. He's always making me laugh with his jokes and the songs he makes up, and he knows how to bring me back to earth when I get overwhelmed or stressed out. He's a great cook, especially when he's grilling steaks. He is my best friend, and I know he is going to be a wonderful, loving father!

Jessica (by Travis)

Jessica's love of life, family, and friends are what make her such a wonderful person, and I'm blessed everyday to have her in my life. Even during tough or stressful times, her smile always brightens my day and helps me to keep going. She is intelligent, warmhearted, and loving; all of which drew me to her 11 years ago. Jessica is my best friend, and I'm excited for our family to grow because I know she will be an amazing mother!



At an Indiana Pacers game



Christmastime at the zoo



On our honeymoon in Montreal

Our Interests

Our Favorite Family Activities:

- ◆ Traveling to visit family and friends
- ◆ Going to basketball and football games, the movies, and the zoo
- ◆ Spending time outdoors, watching TV, and cooking together
- ◆ Working around the house as relatively new homeowners



Travis likes...

watching sports (especially football)
snowboarding and riding roller coasters
playing the guitar and video games
learning about history

Jessica likes...

knitting, crocheting, and learning to sew
going to concerts
reading on our front porch
going to Disney World with family



Family Life



Jessica: My family and closest friends live in central Indiana. Travis fits in effortlessly with everyone, and we love visiting for Christmas, Thanksgiving, and some random weekends. Growing up, my parents taught us the importance of family by always putting my sister and me first. They are retired and enjoying being first-time grandparents to my 5-year-old nephew (my sister and brother-in-law's son). They are thrilled to welcome a new grandchild to the family!

Travis: My mom, sister, brother-in-law, two nieces, and nephew live in eastern North Carolina. While growing up, my mom emphasized the importance of family and being respectful to others, both of which I value to this day. My two closest friends, who I consider my brothers, live in Charlotte with their families. When I introduced Jessica, they all welcomed her without hesitation, and I know they will do the same with an addition to our family.



Our Home

Our home has 3 bedrooms, 2 ½ bathrooms, and a huge basement with plenty of space for family games and movie nights. We also have a big front porch that gives us a wonderful view of nature - lots of trees, birds, squirrels, chipmunks, deer, and sometimes even rabbits, turkeys, and turtles! We have an 11-year-old cat named Rudy who loves to sleep and watch birds from our back door. Our small, quiet, and safe neighborhood has several young families and older couples.

We live in a small, welcoming college town that has a lot of family-friendly activities. There are several parks, playgrounds, lakes, a river, walking/biking paths, and the city pool all within a few miles of our house. The college environment brings a lot of cultural diversity to the area, which is something that we really love about our community.

Our home



Our cat, Rudy



Wildlife in our yard



The view from our front porch



Our Promise



As parents, we will teach our child the importance of the things we value the most: honesty, compassion, education, hard work, time with family and friends, showing respect for ourselves and each other, and doing the best we can with our God-given talents and abilities. We will support our child's dreams and goals by encouraging them to pursue the things they love. We will love our child for who they are and provide structure and stability throughout their lives.

Our child will grow up knowing their adoption story, and they will know that we were brought together as a family by your unconditional love for them. We look forward to sharing pictures and letters, and we are open to developing a relationship if it is something you desire.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for taking the time to consider us. We wish you peace, comfort, and love.

- Jessica + Travis