

# Brandon & Jabari



Hello!

We're Brandon and Jabari. We are a married couple living in Northeast Ohio. We have been together over 6 years. We have built a solid foundation and long to start a family of our own. We intend to provide a loving, open, supportive home for a child placed in our family.

Over the next few pages we hope to give you an idea of who we are. We want you to connect with our desire to be fathers.

Best Wishes,

Brandon and Jabari

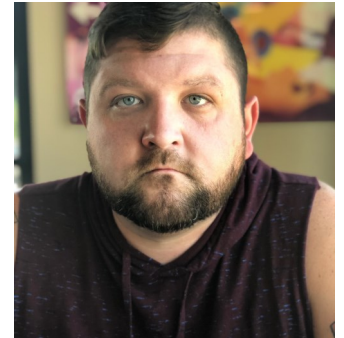


**Max, Harley, & Caesar**

# About Us



With friends at our reception



Jabari and his best friend Ashley

## JABARI'S STORY

Jabari was born in Rochester, NY, and moved to Ohio when he was 6 years old. He's the oldest of five, so family was always an important part of his life. Growing up he enjoyed the arts and sports. As a kid he played baseball, ran track, and over the years learned to play five instruments.

Professionally, he manages a group home for physically and mentally challenged adults. Being a caregiver for them, and helping them to live their best lives, gives him joy and purpose. When not working he enjoys spending time with family, friends, and his wonderful husband.

## US

We have been together over 6 years. We were married on our 5th anniversary, and had a small intimate ceremony with only our Deacon and the photographer. After our ceremony we had a big party with all of our family and friends.



As a couple we are complete opposites, but we fit together perfectly. Brandon is the quiet planner. Jabari is the more outgoing spontaneous type. While we may occasionally have disputes over who's turn it is to let the dogs out or get breakfast, one thing we both agree on is we love each other and can't wait to share that love with a child placed in our family.

## BRANDON'S STORY

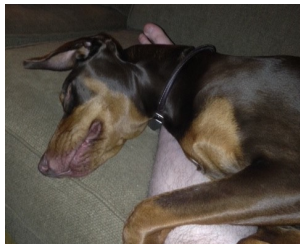
Brandon was born and raised in Ohio. He has one brother, and a close, small family. Growing up he was into art and comic books. He graduated from Kent State University.

Professionally, he manages over 450 student housing apartments for a local company that has been in business for 30+ years. Brandon has been with them for over six years. His strong work ethic, keen business mind and commitment to both his employer and his tenants have been recognized by numerous promotions and reassignments in his tenure with the company. When not working he still collects comic books and enjoys spending time with family and friends.



Brandon and his best friend Heather





## OUR PETS

Our home includes 3 rescue dogs, Max, Harley, and Caesar. Each one loves to play, sleep, and cuddle. They are wonderful with children and will offer protection, companionship and unconditional love to a child.

## JABARI ON BRANDON

Brandon is a very laid back quiet person. When I first met him, I was so used to doing my own thing, and when it came to relationships I had no faith at all. Every day no matter how hard I tried to push him away, he never gave up. Over the years he's been my rock when I'm having a bad day. He never has to say anything he just knows what to do to help me or put a smile on my face. Seeing how hard he works makes me want to work harder. I always enjoy the time we spend to no matter if it's laying in bed watching WWE or chasing each other around the house with nerf guns. Meeting Brandon is one of the best things to happen to me, and being with him I've found out what real love is. Knowing how much and how well he cares for me, and seeing him with nieces, nephews, and friends kids, makes me excited to see the great father he will be.



**Jabari with some of his family**



**Jabari with his Grandmothers**



**Us with our friends Chuck and Heather in Myrtle Beach**

## FAMILY



**Our reception with some of our family**

## BRANDON ON JABARI

Jabari is one of the funniest people I have ever met. While I am more quiet and a planner, he is funny, loud, and not afraid to try anything. He knows how to make me laugh when I am having a bad day. My life changed the day I met him. He made everything make sense. We have fun no matter what we do. It can be at home, out with friends, or on vacation. The important thing is that I get to be with him. I get to see him with our nieces, nephews, and friend's children. I see how great he is with them, and cannot wait to raise a child with him.

## FAMILY

We both have great families that have supported us unconditionally. While we had very different childhoods, we have blended together perfectly. Brandon is the oldest of 2, while Jabari is the oldest of 5. There are also very close friends we consider family. Family is very important to both of us. We have a very large support system to help us along this journey. They can't wait to be involved and meet the child placed into our family. There will be no shortage of love for them.

## OUR THOUGHTS ON PARENTING

Our Parenting style will focus first and foremost on unconditional love. We will support any child placed with us in any and every way possible. As parents we would like to create a safe place where a child will grow confidently and fearlessly into the best reflection of their true self. We want them to know that it's ok to take risks and make mistakes as long as they learn and become better for it.

We always want to be the best role models we can by modeling acceptance, hard work, and compassion.

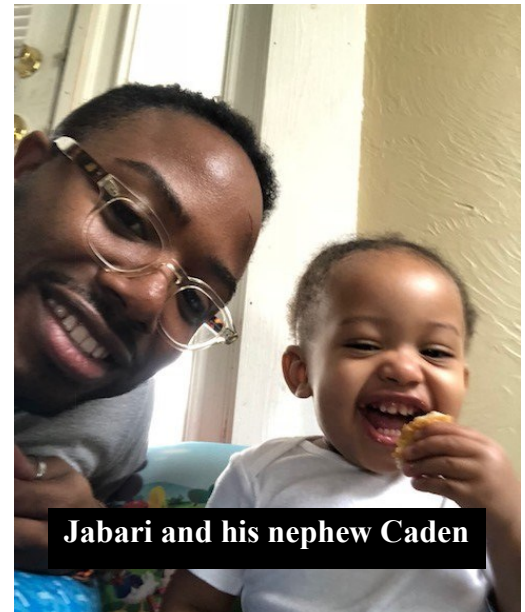
We want their childhood to be filled with the love and support of family and friends.

We designate Sundays as Sunday-fun-day, where our families get together and do different activities, eat good food, and enjoy each other's company.

We intend to share the best values and traditions of each of our families and raise a well rounded happy child.



**Brandon and his best friends daughter Adri**



**Jabari and his nephew Caden**

## OUR HOME

We live in a century home that we have renovated over the last few years. We enjoy working together on home improvement projects and have refinished floors, painted, remodeled, and landscaped. Our home is situated close to metro parks, hiking trails, playgrounds, and businesses. We live in a great community. Within an hour drive, we have access to zoos, several museums, and great outdoor activity spaces.

## THANK YOU

Thank you for taking the time to learn a little bit about us. We hope that we've shown you the love we have for each other, and the love we have to give to a child. We wish you nothing but the best during your pregnancy. This cannot be an easy decision. We promise to provide a child a loving home, a full life, and a secure future.



**Brandon with his niece Aniston and nephew Lincoln**



**Jabari and his nephew Lincoln**