

Julie AND Srey



Thank you for taking the time to read about our family!
Welcome!

We admire your courage in making the selfless decision to consider adoption, and in giving us the hope to be parents. We are a nature-loving, movie-watching, game-playing, road-tripping, mountain hiking, goofy, joking, family-oriented couple.

We always wanted to have a large family, but we faced infertility issues early on in our marriage. Julie's family adopted her brother when she was five, so adoption has always been a part of our lives. We have always been open to the idea of adoption, and we know what a blessing it is. We are happy to provide photos and letters as the child grows but we will respect the level of openness that is most comfortable for you.

We are excited to share our unconditional love and support with your child by valuing education, hard work, good character and fun! Our family and friends are as excited as we are, and they are looking forward to becoming grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and godparents to the child.

We are pleased to introduce ourselves to you in this profile! We hope you will give us the opportunity to know more about your story as we begin this journey together.

With Love,
Julie & Srey

How We Met

We met in 2013 when we were both living in the St. Louis area. Our first date was at a local pizza parlor. Our second date was a re-run of "Jurassic Park", which is one of our favorite movies to this day. We still visit a local pizza place every year on the anniversary of our first date.

We were married in Julie's hometown in northern Illinois in 2015. Our wedding was small and intimate, and instead of having a typical reception, we had a bonfire at Julie's parents' house in the country. Friends and family had traveled from all over the country, and we wanted to spend time with our loved ones without feeling rushed. Wedding decorations were made by Julie, her mom and a few close friends of the family, and Julie's cousin even rushed to a park across the street to "borrow" a few fresh flowers to add to the bouquets. It was a beautiful day full of love, and we will remember it forever.



Julie's Favorites

Food: Pizza, and anything with cheese

Dessert: Ice cream

TV shows: "The Office" and "Parks and Rec"

Movies: Musicals and anything Disney

Ideal Vacation: Camping, swimming and enjoying nature

Book: Dr. Seuss books, Life of Pi & the Harry Potter series

Holiday: Thanksgiving

Season: Spring

About Julie - by Srey

Julie is the kindest and most generous sweetheart. Her bubbly and silly character reminds me to live in the present and enjoy every moment. I am confident that her nurturing personality and affectionate character will make her a great mom!



Julie in Hawaii vibe



All the way up in Mt. Rainier

About Srey - by Julie

Srey is the sweetest, funniest guy I know. His brilliant smile always brightens my day. He is smart, devoted and loving, and I couldn't have asked for a better partner and teammate. I know he is going to be a wonderful dad!

Srey's Favorites

Food: Any spicy or fried food

Dessert: Cheesecake

TV show: "Psych"

Movies: "Ironman" and "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty"

Ideal Vacation: Hiking in the mountains

Book: A Brief History of Time

Holiday: Thanksgiving

Season: Fall



After Color Run



Paddle-boarding at family camp



Tree-Hugger



Top of Mt. Rainier

Our Home

We live in a 4-bedroom, 2.5 bath home in a great school district. Our large fenced backyard will be perfect for a swing-set and playing games. Occasionally we get visits from wildlife like deer, bunnies, chipmunks and lots of birds!



We have great neighbors, and shopping, restaurants, and medical care are all within minutes of our home. We are also within close driving distance of several city and state parks, so we have plenty of access to open spaces and outdoor activities.

Our Education and Careers

Julie has a bachelor's degree in music education. She sings in her church choir and plays the piano and French horn. She has taught music students from age 5 through high school. She believes that music is a universal language and she loves making connections with her students. She can't wait to sing to her baby and eventually teach them how to play the piano. She plans to be a stay-at-home mom once the baby is born.

Srey has a masters degree in software engineering. He works as a Senior Software Engineer in a corporate headquarters in central Ohio. Srey works flexible hours, so he is able to work from home if needed. He is a self-described computer geek who enjoys learning about future technology, and he also serves as the family's on-call tech support!



Luna being cute!

Luna is more timid, but she warms up once she gets to know people. Sam and Luna are very playful and they bring us lots of joy and entertainment!

Sam and Luna

Both of our cats were adopted as rescue kittens. Sam loves to cuddle and sit on our laps, especially when we're trying to type things like adoption profiles!



Sam with "Harry Potter" book

Our Families

Julie: I grew up with two brothers in a rural area in northern Illinois. Both of my parents come from large families, so gatherings are always loud, fun and energetic. My mom will be retiring from teaching next year, and she's looking forward to visiting her grandbaby as much as possible!

My family adopted Justin as a newborn when I was five years old. I still remember the day we got to meet him and bring him home. Justin can't wait to meet his new niece or nephew, and we know Uncle Justin will be a great resource and source of support for our child.



Srey: I grew up in a traditional family in India. Throughout my childhood, my parents emphasized the importance of education. My brother has always been one of my greatest role models. I moved to the US in 2008 to pursue my masters degree. Since then, I have made the United States my home.

My brother, sister-in-law and niece live in the St. Louis area. I still have several family members in India, and we plan to visit them as soon as our child is old enough to travel. They are looking forward to meeting their new family member!



A Jolly Holiday!



Family Christmas

Christmas: Every Christmas, Julie's extended family meets at Aunt Candice's house in the Chicago area. Our child will be the center of attention during family traditions like Christmas Eve church, Christmas stockings, and Family Jeopardy.



Playing Spoons...

Easter is a joyful time for our family. Our child will get to dye Easter eggs, participate in an egg hunt, and search for a hidden Easter basket. Julie's mom is in charge of desserts, and no one goes away hungry!



Family Camp!

Family Camp: Every June, the extended family meets in the Ozarks for a week of family camp. Our child will make memories swimming, boating, fishing, making crafts, playing games, and spending quality time with all members of the family. It's the highlight of our summer, and we can't wait to share the tradition with our child.

Thanksgiving: Our child will love Thanksgiving traditions like eating turkey and pumpkin pie and watching football with Grandpa Joe, Uncle Jeff and Uncle Justin. We have so much to be grateful for, and our family is our greatest blessing!



At OSU football game with Justin

Our Promise

We have always dreamed of being parents, and we will do all in our power to ensure that our child has every possible opportunity. They will grow up in a home where they are loved, respected and empowered to become anything they want to be.

We would love to meet with you and hear about your hopes and dreams for your child's future. We know that parenting will bring unforeseen challenges, but our unconditional love will guide us to provide a bright future for our child.

With Love,

