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My Nieces



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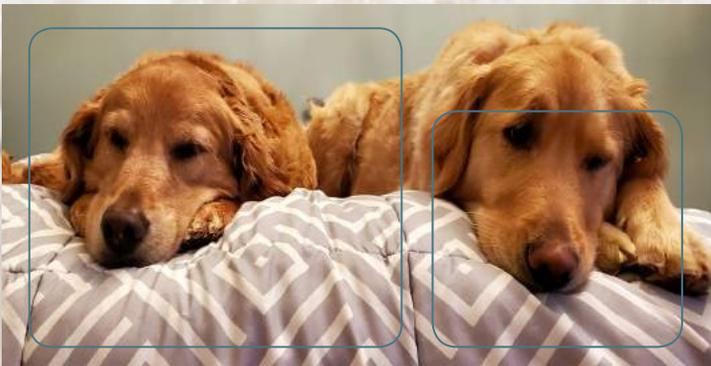
Thank you for taking the time to read my profile. I admire the courage it takes to create an adoption plan. I have a unique opportunity to open my heart and home to a child. I hope that my profile will provide you some insight into who I am and the life that I have to share. I also hope you know that you and your child will be an answered prayer to a special family. You will undoubtedly be giving the greatest gift that anyone could ever receive.



About Me

I am a daughter, sister, aunt, friend, and hopefully, someday, a mom. I believe in kindness, manners, leaps of faith, happiness, fairness and miracles.

I was blessed to be able to attend two amazing Universities! I received my bachelor's degree from the University of Mount Union in Northeast Ohio and my master's Degree from The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio. I work as a local County Health Commissioner and truly have a job that allows for a wonderful work/life balance. In my free time I enjoy spending time with my family. My sister and her family live only 30 minutes away from me and her and her family almost every weekend. My parents actually live with me, after retiring in 2020 and moving from our hometown. They love to be with their grandchildren so I can't wait to welcome a child into our home! My sister and I are best friends. We even lived together in college. Her and her husband have twin daughters, who are 6 years old. They have brought so much happiness to my life and they can't wait to have a cousin and best friend!



My Family

I have found golden retrievers to be the most loving, loyal companions and I have **two, Sammie and Macie!** I know they will make the best big sisters! I also have two yellow rescue cats, **Burt and Leo.**

Adventure Awaits

My family and I are members of the Disney Vacation Club. That means annual vacations to Walt Disney World! We love to go in December when the parks are decorated for Christmas. In addition to our Disney trips we also travel to the Outer Banks each summer. Corolla, North Carolina is my favorite place to be. My hope is to one day own a home there!





My Home

I live in a beautiful home that overlooks a golf course, on a friendly, quiet street.

I live only a few miles from work which makes my commute less than 5 minutes.

My home is a short distance to the city park, which my nieces love, it has multiple playgrounds, a pool, Ferris Wheel, carousel and other fun activities. There are often festivals and events that are held at the park including the County's 4th of July fireworks! The City has a small town feel with friendly, safe neighborhoods and tree lined streets. It is home to museums, local colleges, and many out-door activities and events. My family and I always find something to do!

Our school system has a 16:1 student teacher ratio. More than 3/4 of the students enrolled also participate in extra-circular activities. On average, 65% of graduating seniors receive local scholarship dollars. Education is important to me and that is why I plan to prepare to be able to financially provide for my child any post-secondary educational opportunity that they choose.

My parents retired and moved from our hometown in 2019. They live with me and have the perfect in-law suite. The can't wait to welcome a grandchild into the home and will be the BEST grandparents and BIGGEST help!

Amazing Grace



I cannot tell my life story without telling you about a dog named Grace. Grace came to me as a puppy in 2007. She was my first dog. Of course I always grew up with family pets but she was the first one I could call "mine". We were the best of friends! She went to college with me and then was my only roommate, in a tiny 1 bedroom apartment when I was completing grad school. She loved to

take walks and meet the neighborhood kids as they got off the bus from school in the afternoons. She hated the geese that lived at a nearby pond and who chased us daily! She loved everyone she met. When she was happy, not only did her tail shake but her whole body! In 2017 Grace was diagnosed with cancer. She fought hard receiving both chemotherapy and radiation but after about a year it was too much and I laid with her as she took her last breath. Grace will forever be a part of my life. She taught me some pretty important life lessons including: be kind to everyone you meet; slow down, life is fast; always fight courageously and love unconditionally.





Father Figures

It is important to me that my child has Father figures in her life. Fortunately, I have two pretty great ones. My brother-in-law, Uncle Greg, is one of the most hands on Dads I have ever met. My nieces absolutely love their Dad. My Dad, or Pappy, is one of the hardest working, most generous people I have ever known. He loves his family and would do anything for them. He has already bought a handcrafted crib for his grand-baby, because he wants them to have a **“safe and comfortable place to DREAM BIG”**.



Openness

I will always remind your child about you and what you mean to us! Without you there is no us. My promise to you and your child is that you will always have a place in our hearts. I will have conversations about you and ensure that you are included in your child's life story. I look forward to sending you pictures and letters and providing you with as much information as you so desire.



MY PARENTING STYLE: COMPASSIONATE/LOVING: I believe

in having an environment in which my child knows love above all else.

AUTHORITATIVE

I believe in setting rules and expectations for my child. I also believe in fairness and will try my very best to explain the logic behind the rules and expectations I have.

SPECIFIC

I hope to set expectations based on my own actions as a mother. As a parent, I believe that I should be a role model for my child and teach expectations through my own actions.



My Promise

As a parent, my goal for your child would be love, laughter and security. I want your child to grow up in a well balanced environment. Snuggling and hugs will be a daily occurrence and your child will always know love. I want you to know that I have not taken the decision to adopt lightly.

There are so many things I can't wait to share with a child including Christmas mornings, Disney vacations, beach adventures, lazy weekend, afternoons at the park, baking cookies with the family, walks with the dogs, school projects and birthday parties.

Thank you for taking the time to get to know me. I hope I get to know you! I am grateful for the opportunity to be a part of your journey.

Love and Respect,

Katie

