

# NATE & EMILY



## **It is our pleasure to introduce ourselves to you!**

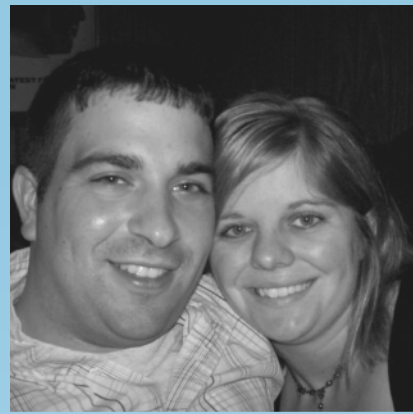
We have been happily married for seven years and together for almost twelve. We enjoy being outdoors, taking our dog to the park, and cooking fun meals together. Our family and friends support our decision to adopt, and couldn't be happier for us. We have been searching for the missing piece of our puzzle for a long time, and hope to find him or her soon!

As we begin the adoption process, we are ready to take on the biggest adventure and commitment of our life. We promise to provide your child with a loving and supportive home, a solid education, and a lifetime full of laughter. Our dream is that we will raise your child to become all that you have ever hoped that he or she would be. We are committed to a level of openness that is comfortable for you, and we would be happy to send pictures and letters as you wish.

This decision makes you the most brave and generous woman in the world. Should you choose us to raise your child, we look forward to meeting you, and will be forever grateful.

*Sincerely, Nate and Emily*





Emily's words to describe Nate:

- Hardworking
- Loyal
- Understanding
- Caring
- Fun-loving

Nate's words to describe Emily:

- Honest
- Loving
- Compassionate
- Generous
- Cheerful

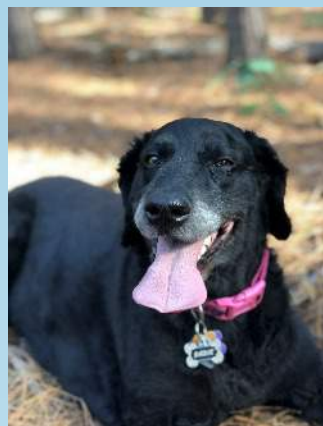


## How we met...

We met back in 2007 through a mutual friend, Amber. Emily was in nursing school with Amber, and Nate worked with her at a restaurant. Amber insisted that we would be perfect for each other. She promised that if we didn't fall in love, we would at least be friends. Boy was she right! After much encouragement, we friended each other on Myspace (we are really showing our age now). Shortly thereafter, we met, and haven't looked back since. We were married in May of 2012 in Emily's hometown. It was a hot summer day, and we danced the night away. It was at that time that we realized just how many people love and support us.

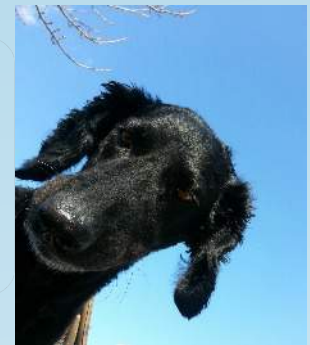
## Our careers...

Nate is a production operator at our local Jeep plant. They produce over 1,000 Jeeps a day! He works with a very diverse group of co-workers, and together they share lots of Jeep pride. Our hometown hosts an annual Jeep Fest that we love to attend.



## Meet Sadie!

Sadie is a 10 year old Goldendoodle. She loves children, especially our nephew, Gabriel. She enjoys visiting metroparks and dog beaches. She is famous for her nightly routine of "Tricks for Treats."



Emily is a Registered Nurse for a group of Cardiologists. She works together with a group of students, residents and fellows to coordinate inpatient rounds. Emily has worked in the same hospital for the past 11 years, and has made many great friends. Emily enjoys being a nurse because she loves helping others.



Emily's Favorites:

- Kate Spade
- Polka dots
- Macaroni & cheese
- Disney's "Lion King"
- Margaritas
- Shopping at Maurice's
- Christmas
- Country music
- The color purple

Nate's Favorites:

- Pizza
- Michigan Football and Basketball teams
- Snickers
- Being outdoors
- Under Armour
- Traveling
- Sampling new beers
- Batman movies





# Home is where memories are made, family and friends are welcome, and laughter never ends.

We have a 4 bedroom home in a great family-friendly neighborhood. The best feature of our house is the close proximity to family. Nate's parents live just a block away! We are within walking distance to a grade school, a church, and a park with a playground. We live in a diverse city that celebrates many different cultures with festivals and events. We are in the process of preparing our nursery, a Lion King theme, with the message of remember who you are and where you came from.



## We are Family!

Nate grew up with his mom, dad, and his older sister, Michelene. She is married to her husband Danny, and together they have a son named Gabriel. They also live nearby, and we enjoy celebrating birthdays and holidays together. Nate and his Dad love going to sporting events and concerts together. Nate's Mom is an animal lover and enjoys shopping (especially with Emily). His family enjoys getting together to cook some food on the grill, make homemade pizzas or desserts.



Emily also comes from a small family, and grew up in a small town. Her mom and dad still live in the same town she grew up in, and they love to visit. Her younger sister, Kayla, is married to Jon and they have a puppy named Millie. Emily is very close with her sister, and they talk every morning before going to work! She also loves spending time with her two grandmothers, Norma and Joan. Together her family enjoys fishing trips, board games, camping, bowling, cookie exchanges and horse races.





# Oh the places we go...

## Spring

- Shopping at our local farmer's market
- Planting flowers and a small garden
- Hitting up our local baseball games
- Bike riding at the metroparks

## Summer

- Cooking out with family & friends
- Swimming at the YMCA
- Going on summer vacations
- Taking Sadie to the dog beach
- Attending concerts
- Riding roller coasters at Cedar Point

## Fall

- Watching football
- Celebrating our birthdays
- Decorating for Halloween and passing out candy for Trick-or-Treat
- Relaxing around a campfire

## Winter

- Celebrating Christmas
- Cheering on Michigan men's basketball team
- Watching our local hockey games
- Bowling with friends & family
- Taking cooking and painting classes

## The future...

Now that you have had the opportunity to learn a little bit about us, we hope that our paths will cross. We would love to share more of our story, and get to know you. Our goal is to be very open about our adoption journey with our child, and we hope to include you. We were both fortunate enough to be raised by loving, supportive and caring parents, and we promise to do the same for your child. This parenting adventure will be a new rewarding journey for us, and we accept this commitment with open arms, loving hearts and an adventurous spirit.

With love, Nate & Emily

