



# ABE & KEVIN

We have always believed things happen for a reason.

Simply viewing our profile is just one moment in both of our lives.

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Wanting to be fathers came easier to us than the idea of becoming husbands. Until recently, marriage wasn't in the cards for us. However, love and compassion has always been at the forefront of our relationship and how we treat those around us. We both know what it is like to be judged, but we know that authenticity, honesty and dedication are what really makes the biggest impact in life.



# ABOUT US

Abe is outgoing and thrives on personal interaction with others. He is goal oriented, organized, has a passion for community involvement and has a slapstick sense of humor.

Kevin on the other hand, is more reserved and naturally observant. He is compassionate, a pragmatic problem solver, routine oriented, appreciates a challenge and has a witty sense of humor.

Together we have found a solid balance between a quiet home life and staying active. If we are needing a break, our weekends could easily consist of binge-watching our favorite shows, taking walks through the neighborhood and ordering pizza from down the street. However, it isn't uncommon for us to take a quick 15-minute drive to spend time at Kevin's parents or meet up with friends for an athletic event, dinner, retail therapy, or outdoor hikes on a trail we've been meaning to try out.



# OUR RELATIONSHIP

As individuals, we couldn't be more different in our approach to most things. However, that has helped our relationship thrive because together, we have the other to bring a different perspective. Since the beginning, our relationship has focused on remaining partners and agreeing to decisions as one unit with no one being the sole decision maker.

To us, sitting down over a good meal sparks real conversation, and food is where our hearts truly link up. From stocking up at the local farmer's market with homemade pickles and baked goods to trying to snag a reservation at the newest restaurant in town, we are proud Ohio foodies! Our friends are often invited to our home for dinner parties and game nights, and regularly leave with leftovers and laughs to share for years to come.

Whether it's eating with family, friends, or just us, we appreciate the meal is an opportunity to promote bonding, humor, and memories that only set the stage for wanting to revisit it again and again.

# OUR HOME

Our home is a traditional, two story, three-bedroom house in a small suburban Ohio town. It's the type of town where you can walk pretty much anywhere and a school system that can rival most in the state on both academics and extra-curricular activities.

Early on in our relationship, we realized we are both dog lovers and after four years together, we decided to add a pup to our family. After several lengthy discussions, we decided on a black Scottish Terrier and named him Monty. He has proven himself to be very kid-friendly and is every bit a part of our family.

# EDUCATION

After graduating high school with a class of 189, Abe attended a small Ohio university and obtained a bachelor's degree in Political Science. During that time, Abe was involved in student government and fraternity life. Kevin, on the other hand, graduated with a class of over 400 students. He took an early interest in art, which he carried over into college, enrolling in a nationally recognized art and design institute and obtained a bachelor's degree in illustration.

# HOBBIES

## ABE



### HORSES

A Lifelong Horse Lover and Horseback Rider

### HOSTING

Dinner Parties & Cookouts for Friends & Family



### VOLUNTEERING

Involvement in City Commissions and Community Boards

### STYLE

From Home Decor to Work Attire



## KEVIN



### MOVIES

From Collecting to Viewing, the Home Theater Says It All

### GAMING

An Avid Gamer of All Varieties



### PAINTING

Kevin's Art Can Be Found Throughout the Home

### WORKING OUT

The Best Stress Relief

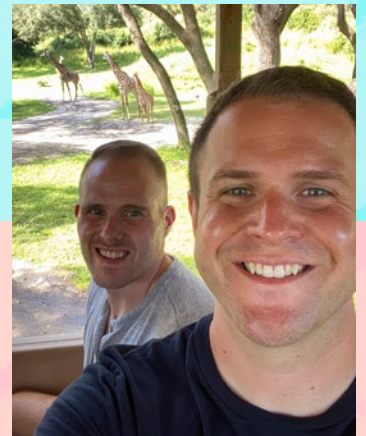


# FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

Abe's parents are married and live two and a half hours away in the hometown where he was born and raised. They are semi-retired and have the ability to travel and visit whenever schedules align. His sister is married with a son and daughter under the ages of ten. His younger brother lives in the same town as their parents, works for their dad's mechanical contracting company and is engaged to his high school sweetheart. The family owns a vacation condo in North Carolina with an open invitation to the whole family to visit whenever they're free. His dad was one of nine kids and Abe is one of 20+ grandkids (just on his dad's side) and the extended family gathers once a year for a family reunion. During Thanksgiving and Easter, his parents have one rule for the immediate and extended family, "All are welcome, but we eat at noon."

Kevin's parents are also still married and live approximately fifteen minutes away in the same hometown where he was born and raised. They are both retired, and his mother has a bachelor's degree in education and often times volunteers her time in the local school system when she can. Whether it's a home improvement issue or needing a last-minute sitter for Monty, Kevin's parents are a reliable call away. Kevin's sister also lives close by and is the family's dominant supplier of every homemade cake, brownie, or cookie one could imagine during family holidays and gatherings. Whether it is a quick trip to the shopping outlets or a week long trip to Disney World, Kevin's family knows the importance of quality time.

Our parents not only support us, but they support each other. Whether it's been a health scare, birthday, or a simple Christmas card, our parents share a positive relationship and that's only made us appreciate them even more through the years.



# EMPLOYMENT

After nearly a decade working for both the state legislature and a state agency, Abe was invited to join a small government relations firm focused on representing and advocating for clients at the state government level. Issues range from education policy, domestic violence survivors' rights, developmental disabilities services, and general business priorities for companies. Because of the firm's small structure, Abe has the flexibility to work from home when the opportunity presents itself.

Kevin is now the marketing manager for a commercial real estate firm after nearly a decade in the advertising field. He is tasked with using his creative and artistic strengths in graphic design to elevate his colleagues' presentations, marketing projects and media materials.





## RAISING a CHILD

With our different upbringings, we hope to expose a child to a well-rounded life so that they do not grow up with a narrow perspective. Kevin was baptized into the Christian faith and Abe was baptized and raised in the Catholic faith, later converting to the Episcopal Church. Abe views the church community as a source of support, compassion, and a reminder that we need to focus on something bigger than ourselves while helping others without judgment.

Both holidays and birthdays are celebrated with much excitement and traditions with both families. We take pride in having mastered a formula to be able to celebrate major holidays with both sets of families rather than rotating annually. Kevin's family gathers to decorate dozens and dozens of Christmas cookies each year and never fails to make each birthday into a celebration.

We were both raised to find what calls to us in life and make that our chosen profession. We enjoy our occupations and would only want to encourage the same with a child. We can try and provide all the opportunities in the world for them to succeed, but it is ultimately up to them to find their true happiness.

## OPENNESS IN ADOPTION

First and foremost, we are sensitive to the fact that this is your pregnancy and at whatever stage you are at in that process, we welcome to opportunity to meet in-person, participate in medical appointments and be as much a part of the delivery as YOU are comfortable with. Afterwards, we would love to send regular updates and photos of the baby. Additionally, depending on both of our comfort levels through the process, we are open to examining a mutually respectful level of communication. At the end of the day, we like the idea of the child knowing where they came from, but also know there's a balance and want to respect your future decisions.

Regardless of whether or not we meet the person who is bringing this blessing into the world, the important thing we will want to make clear to the child is that they are wanted and serve a purpose. By nature, children are incredibly inquisitive and when we are asked how they came to be, we want to be as forthcoming as possible while being age appropriate.

**THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING US, THANK  
YOU FOR YOUR STRENGTH, & THANK YOU FOR  
THE WONDERFUL LIFE THAT IS DESTINED TO  
DO INCREDIBLE THINGS IN THIS WORLD!**