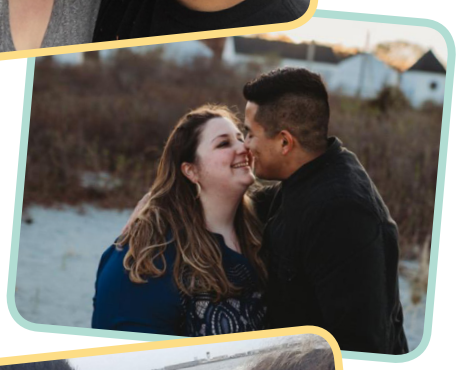
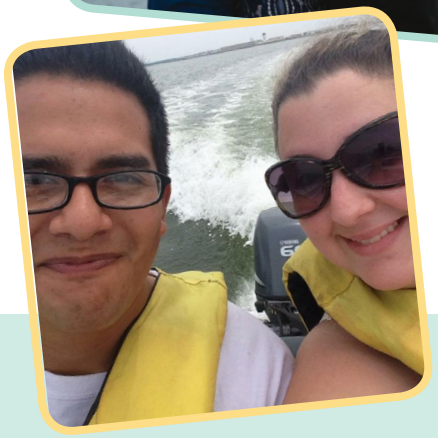
Jose & Nina

About Us





Hello! We are Jose and Nina. Our story began 13 years ago, when we met through mutual friends at our jobs at Target! We were only teenagers at the time, and on our first "date", we instantly hit it off and have been inseparable ever since.

We married on a beautiful fall day in 2010 after 5 years of dating. Soon after Jose joined the United States Navy, and our adventure around the world began. Jose has worked as a diesel mechanic for the last 8 years. He enjoys his work, his co-workers and most of all serving his country. Nina works as a transcriptionist for a team of dermatopathologists (say that five times fast!). She loves her work, she adores the people she works with, as well as the doctors. We have been blessed with jobs that not only do we love but provide us the financial stability to do all the activities we enjoy outside of work.

We are a very active couple. We find pleasure in going to antique stores, bargain shopping, taking long drives, going to concerts, and boating. Jose loves to camp, while Nina loves to decorate for each and every holiday.

Family is very important to us as we both come from very large families. Nina comes from a large Italian family, and Jose is of Hispanic heritage. We embrace our cultures through food and traditions. We have a very strong support system between both family and friends. We look forward to teaching our children to love, respect, and be kind to others, while making long lasting memories for them to then pass down to their children and so on.

FAVORITES

Jose

- **Color:** Black
- **Movie:** Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind
- **TV Show:** Game of Thrones
- **Food:** Chinese
- **Vacation:** Snorkeling in the Bahamas
- **Holiday:** Halloween
- **Cartoon:** Hey Arnold!
- **Hobbies:** Fishing, hiking, camping, NASCAR, kayaking
- **Memory as a Child:** Going to the state parks at dusk with family, playing soccer and cooking

Nina

- **Color:** Mint Green
- **Movie:** You've Got Mail
- **TV Show:** Jersey Shore
- **Food:** Chinese
- **Vacation:** Disney World
- **Holiday:** Halloween and Christmas are tied!
- **Cartoon:** Doug
- **Hobbies:** Decorating, cooking, baking, entertaining guests, bargain shopping
- **Memory as a Child:** Sitting in the dark looking at the Christmas tree glow, with my family while Christmas music plays in the background, sipping hot chocolate

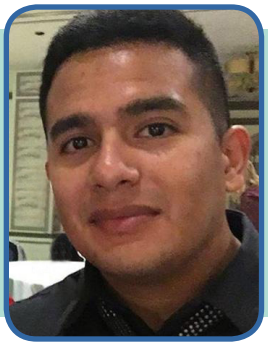
Our Home

Our home is a beautiful 3-bedroom 2.5 bath two story home with a spacious backyard. We have stunning ocean views right in our backyard. When you open the window, you can hear the waves crashing. Our home is warm and inviting. All our friends and family know our door is always open whenever you may need it. We are always entertaining guests. The school district is rated one of the top schools in the state. There are always a ton of children outside riding their bikes or playing with friends. This is a great community to raise a child. When you walk into our home, there is always the smell of something cooking, whether is Italian food, Hispanic food or something baking.

About Ninamarie

(written by jose)

Nina is the funniest person I know. She makes everyone laugh with her stories, and jokes. During the holidays she decorates making our home feel warm and cozy. Everyone always admires how she makes the house look. She loves to cook her Italian dinners every Sunday when family visits. Ever since I met Nina, I knew she was a very family-oriented person. Making sure everyone was taken care of. She is the foundation of our family and has been my rock through my ups and downs in the service. She is ready to be a mother and always has been. She is beautiful both inside and out. She has a love for animals and would rescue every dog out there if I let her! I cannot wait to watch her blossom into the best mother I know she will be.



About Jose

(written by nina)

Jose took my breath away when I first saw him. Love at first sight without a doubt. On the outside, he was everything I was looking for. He looked like such a nerd! (SCORE!). I asked a friend of mine to introduce us. I had butterflies as I saw him walking towards me to say hello. I knew the moment we started talking, that I would marry him, and five years later, I did! Jose has the most caring heart out there. Jose has loved me unconditionally the last 13 years, and for that I consider myself truly blessed. He listens to everything I say, and how I am feeling all while never judging me. Sometimes he looks in my eyes, and I can see the amount of love he has for me without saying a word. Jose's work ethic is unmatched. The love he has for his family and friends is admirable. I know with all that I am, that he will be the best father in the world (besides my dad of course), because he is already the best husband in the world.

Our family

We both come from very large families. Nina is Italian, and every Sunday we get together with family and have a big dinner with lots of laughs and warm conversation. She has one younger sister. Jose has one younger brother who has a young son named Kelvin and a younger sister who is pregnant right now with her first child, a baby girl. Our parents have been such role models in our lives. They have supported us and always given us advice when we weren't sure of what to do. Nina's parents are so excited to finally become grandparents, and they will spoil their grandchild rotten!

Visiting best friends

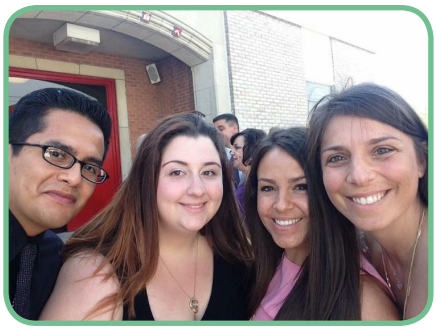
Jose and his dad

Christmas time at Rockefeller Center

Our pets

We have 3 spunky, loving and loyal dachshunds named Daisy, Jack and Lucy. Nina was raised with dachshunds her whole life, so naturally she wanted her own when we moved into our first home. We rescued all three of our pups over 7 years ago. They love children, love to go on long walks, and most of all chew on their bones. They are loyal to us, and in return we spoil them rotten. They are anxiously awaiting a little one to protect and grow with.

A night out with friends



Family wedding with cousins

Our niece Penelope and the Easter bunny

Building a kite with family

Jose, his mom and sister

Nina's family

Nina's Parents

Dear Birthmother,

We are humbled by your strength and admire you with all our heart. Wherever your journey takes you, we want you to know your child will be loved unconditionally every day. It is our promise to you, to raise this child to learn to love, respect, and live life to the fullest. We have a wonderful support system through our families that have given us the tools we needed to make it in this world, and we plan on passing down that knowledge and love to future generations. And if you so choose, we would be honored to share this journey with you, through the tears and the joys. Thank you for taking the time to view our profile, we do appreciate it.

♥ with love,
Jose & Ninamarie

Why Adoption?

Adoption to us means a chance at becoming parents. Something we were never sure of, because of Nina's unfortunate infertility diagnosis. Adoption to us means providing a nurturing home, a lifetime full of memories, for not only us, but for our child. Adoption is a gift from God. A non-traditional pathway to becoming what we always knew in our hearts was meant for us. We have embraced this path with open arms, and we know its not going to be easy, but we are excited to start our journey. We are ready more than ever to start this next chapter in our lives.