mike + lisa

about us

hi! We are Mike and Lisa. Thank you so much for taking the time to get to know us.

Our relationship started out as friends who met at work. It took Mike a little time to have the courage to ask Lisa out, but once he did, we went on our first date and were married a year later. We have built our marriage on love, communication, respect, and especially laughter.

We have many shared interests and hobbies. We like sports, and we enjoy watching and attending football and basketball games. We both grew up as musicians, and we still enjoy music and attending concerts. Mike comes from a golfing family, and enjoys an afternoon golf game with friends and family. Lisa grew up ice skating on a competitive team that competed across the US and Canada, and she still enjoys ice skating for fun. We like to travel, and two of our favorite places are the beach and New York City. Since our wedding, we have taught ourselves to cook from scratch and enjoy cooking at home. We also like to eat out and try new restaurants. Mike is very innovative at creating his own recipes, and Lisa loves to bake - a tradition passed down from her mom and grandma.

Mike is a drummer, who turned his lifelong interest of music into a full-time career a few years ago, as a band director. He enjoys teaching students from grades 5-12. Before becoming a teacher, he worked as a video and multimedia producer. Lisa has always had a curiosity of science and enjoys working part time as a digital product manager to create educational software products for college students. She also has a creative side in art, fashion, and photography, and recently has pursued starting her own clothing line. With Mike having his summers off and Lisa working part time, we look forward to extra time to spend with our child.

Mike's Favorites		Lisa's Favorites
Band Director	**Occupation**	Digital Product Manager, Start-Up Designer
Ghostbusters	**Movie**	Hallmark Christmas Movies
Any travel or food shows	**TV Show**	Downton Abbey & Project Runway
Any seafood	**Food**	Burger and fries
Chocolate chip cookies	**Dessert**	Peanut butter cup blizzard
4th of July	**Holiday**	Christmas
New York City	**Vacation Spot**	Lake, Ocean, and New York City
Playing outside with friends	**Childhood Memory**	Going to a cottage at the lake in the summertime
Drums, rollerblading, home remodeling, golf and basketball	**Hobbies**	Ice skating, rollerblading, fashion, art, and photography
Bachelor's degree in Music Education & Business, Master's in Educational Technology	**Education**	Bachelor's degree in Biology, Fashion Business Certificate

who is LISA

Written by Mike: Lisa is the most sincere and caring person I have ever known. She is compassionate and thoughtful, and always wants to do what is right for other people. She has a good sense of humor and enjoys practical jokes. Lisa is also very creative. She has a great eye for photography, fashion and design. She is very determined and brave in her pursuits. She recently started designing her own clothes to sell, and also attended a month long workshop in New York City to pursue her fashion interests. Most importantly, she is kind and loving. She has been a true blessing as a wife, and she can't wait to be a mother.

who is MIKE

Written by Lisa: Mike is a very encouraging and supportive husband. He is incredibly talented, and his creativity from music to home renovation amazes me. He is definitely an adventuresome kid-at-heart, who loves to try new things, like bouncing off an inflatable water catapult at the lake! His sense of humor attracted me to him when we met, and years later, I am still laughing. I am so happy he followed his dream to become a music teacher. The success he has achieved brings us both a lot of joy. I love that I can learn from him. He challenges me and helps me see things from a different perspective. I have enjoyed watching him interact with our friends and families' children, and I know he will be a wonderful father.

home SWEET home

We live in a lovely four-bedroom, two bath, all brick one story home on a cul-de-sac street. Our neighborhood has tree-lined streets with larger yards and access to a nature preserve with walking trails and lots of wildlife. We have wonderful neighbors, and Lisa's mom lives down the street. In the past two years we have remodeled our entire home, including a new kitchen and both bathrooms, along with new carpeting and refinished hardwood floors. Mike is very handy and has done most of the work himself. He even built the cabinets for our kitchen. Our home is located in a college town with a small town feel with festivals, sporting events and concerts, as well as city pool, library, bike trails and restaurants all within walking distance. In the summer, we love to have friends and family over to grill-out on our back patio, and in the winter, we enjoy spending time by our cozy fireplace playing games, reading, and watching movies.

OUR family +friends

We are both very close to our families. They are a very important part of our lives. We are thankful to live within a short distance and be able to see them often. Our parents look forward to a new grandchild, and they support us unconditionally in this next chapter of our lives.

Mike has an older sister, and his parents just celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. His parents are still very active and enjoy taking big family trips to North and South Carolina, and smaller trips to Lake Erie. This past year his whole family rented a house in the North Carolina mountains for Thanksgiving, which involved good food, watching football, playing games, and lots of laughter. Mike's family loves to socialize and host parties. They make it a point to celebrate everyone's birthday and get together for each holiday, with a big party on the 4th of July.

Lisa may be an only child, but she has been blessed with a large extended family with many aunts, uncles and cousins. She is very close to her mom, a retired teacher, who loves children, and is looking forward to a grandchild. Lisa's mom has two dogs that are sweet and a lot of fun. Lisa is thankful for her family and always enjoys her gatherings for the holidays. Unfortunately, Lisa's father died a couple of years ago, and he is greatly missed.

We are very fortunate to have close, supportive friends, some of which we have known for years. They are a big part of our lives. We love to get together to attend sporting events, play games at home, and try new restaurants.

Lisa's Mom

Mike's Mom

Celebrating Mike's Grandma's 90th Birthday

Lisa with her friend and her two girls

Mike's friends

Mike with the band

Lisa's friends

Lisa with her mom, aunt and cousin at Thanksgiving

dear birth parent,

Thank you so much for taking the time to learn more about us. We hope our profile has given you a glimpse into our lives and how important family is to us. We have the utmost respect for you as you make this difficult choice. We admire your decision to choose adoption and are praying for you. We promise that the child will be unconditionally loved and cherished in a safe and supportive home. We will share with the child all the experiences of sports, music, education, culture, and guide and support them in whatever they choose to do. We have always been financially stable and know that we will be able to provide anything necessary for the child to flourish. Thank you so much for considering us.

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why ADOPTION?

We have enjoyed our time as a married couple and are ready to share our lives with a child. We both have wonderful memories of our childhood, and we look forward to sharing those experiences with our child. We have not been able to have our own biological child, and we are grateful for your gift of adoption. We could not be more excited to share our love with this child.