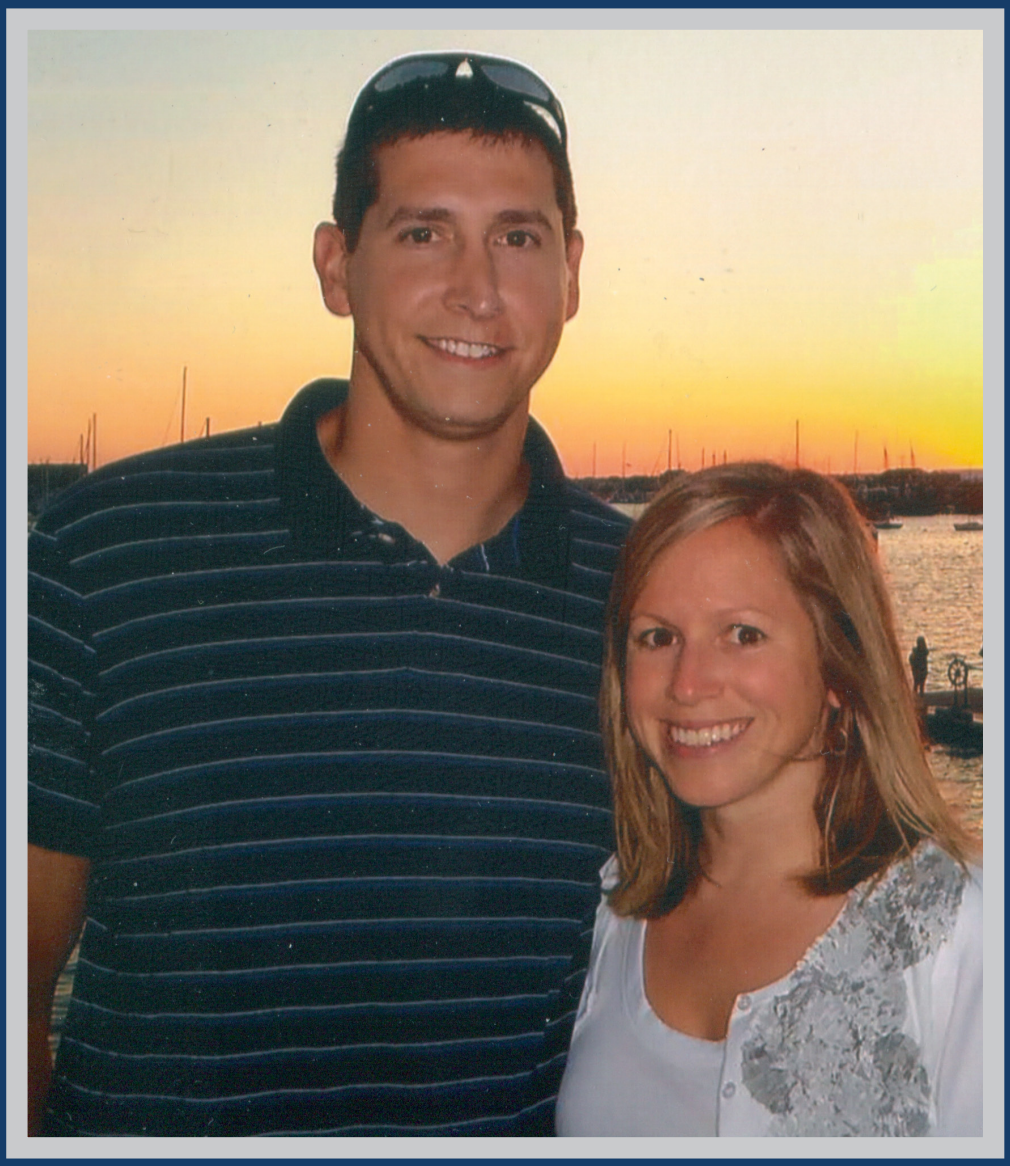

# Julie & Greg

# About Us

We have been happily married for almost ten years. When we met, Julie was a teacher and Greg was in finance. Now, we are both attorneys. We love to spend our free time as a family. During the week, you'll find us outside in the our yard, doing homework and catching up over dinner. On weekends, we love to go to the zoo, hiking or swimming. We travel as much as possible with our favorite trips being hiking in Arizona, visiting beach towns in Florida and our annual extended family trip to Hilton Head.

We were overjoyed to welcome our daughter in 2013. In 2015, we were shocked when Julie went into labor with our son at 31 weeks. He was born just shy of 32 weeks and spent a little less than a month in the NICU. In 2017, after 9 weeks of bedrest, our youngest was born at almost 34 weeks and spent over a week in the NICU.

We love being parents to our kids. Over the last 7 years, we have worked together to overcome lengthy hospital stays, doctors and therapist appointments, and behavior challenges and know we have the skills and relationship to help our kids through each of life's obstacles.

## FUN FACTS & FAVORITES

| | JULIE | GREG |
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| Occupation: | Attorney | Attorney |
| Vacation: | Hawaii | Italy |
| Holiday: | Christmas | Halloween |
| Hobbies: | Running, going to concerts, and hiking | Exercising, playing & watching sports movies, and spending time with our kids |
| Childhood Memories: | Christmas at my Grandparents' house with my large extended family | Traveling to and playing in soccer tournaments |

# About Greg written by Julie

Greg is a laid-back, patient, kind, and hardworking person. I thought I won the lottery when we got married and that was without knowing what an amazing dad he would be. Greg is the "fun dad" who spends every free moment playing catch with our kids, reading endless bedtime stories, and watching YouTube videos to learn to braid our daughter's hair. More importantly, he gives our kids his undivided attention, making them feel like the most important people in the world. Greg never misses the opportunity to support me and our kids.

At work, Greg is a successful attorney and business owner. In less than 10 years, Greg and his partner have developed a thriving legal practice. I am constantly impressed by the kind, respectful way he treats his staff. In his free time, Greg loves Boston sports, exercising and watching TV.

# About Julie written by Greg

Julie is a caring, intelligent, and loving person. When I first met Julie, I immediately realized that family was one of the most important things to her. The first time I spent Christmas with Julie's family, I was surrounded by over 100 welcoming and close relatives and realized exactly where Julie's caring nature and strong family values come from.

Julie is extremely driven in both her professional career and as a mother. It is impressive to see how she has worked to become an indispensable partner at a premier law firm while continuing to provide endless love and support to our family. The family calendar that she keeps organized and color coordinated so I know where and when I am supposed to be, and which kid I am supposed to have ready for swimming, soccer or gymnastics is a thing of beauty.

Julie is extremely selfless as she never misses an opportunity to coach a soccer team, run the Girl Scout cookie sale, or help with a school activity or function. We are very lucky to have such an amazing mother and wife.

# Our Home

We live in a five-bedroom house in a suburb, about 20 minutes from downtown. Our house is defined by our kids with most rooms filled with match-box cars, Barbies and books. We love holidays and birthdays and each of kid's room is still decorated for their self-selected birthday themes: Lion Guard, dinosaurs and The Descendants. We also have a 12 year old beagle who greets us at the door when we come home and then goes back to sleeping in our daughter's bed.

Our neighborhood is home to great schools and parks. Our kids attend a catholic school where they have the opportunity to receive an excellent, values-based education and participate in sports and musicals. We love that a nationally-ranked zoo, major league sporting events, and museums are nearby.

Our home is a comfortable, welcoming environment, filled with lots of energy, love and laughter.

# Our Family

One of the most defining things about our family is how much we love to be together. We are fortunate to have flexible careers which enable us to attend each doctor's appointment, school party and Christmas concert. We work hard to provide a loving, stable environment for our kids where they feel comfortable expressing their feelings and understand how very loved they are.

Our daughter recently turned 7. Her favorite ways to spend the day include playing with her Barbies, listening to Taylor Swift music and practicing her cartwheel. She is determined, funny and ready for another sibling!

Our middle child is "all boy" and is the perfect mix of thoughtful, hilarious, and spunky. He is almost 5 and enjoys superhero books and movies, the library and playing outside.

Our youngest is very, very sweet. He loves to snuggle, read books and play catch. He is not yet in school and loves to spend the day at the zoo, story time or our neighborhood trampoline park.

Family is a priority in our lives. Julie is from a large catholic family with three siblings and 35 first cousins, many of whom live in the same city as us. Our kids adore their cousins and are frequently planning sleepovers and zoo trips. Our kids are the only grandchildren on Greg's side and receive extra love and attention from his parents and siblings.

HIKING TRIP TO SEDONA, ARIZONA

FAMILY TRIP TO CELEBRATE GREG'S PARENTS' ANNIVERSARY

ANNUAL FAMILY VACATION IN HILTON HEAD

GREG'S FAMILY

JULIE'S MOM & SISTERS

JULIE'S FAMILY AT CHRISTMAS

FUN NIGHT OUT WITH CLOSE FRIENDS

Thank you for taking time to learn about our family. We wish there were stronger words to express the gratitude, support and respect we feel for you. We know you are choosing adoption because you love your child and want the best life possible for him or her. It would be our honor to welcome your baby into our home as our son or daughter and as a sibling to our children.

We work hard each day to be loving, compassionate, and patient parents. We are passionate about our kids and love creating memories and traditions with them.

Again, thank you for reading about our family and considering us for your baby. Please know that if you select our family and regardless of the level of openness you desire, you will always be an important part of our family. For us and our biological children, you will have given us the much-loved, last missing piece of our family. And, for your baby, you will always be the loving and courageous person who chose this selfless path for your baby.

Greg & Julie

## Why Adoption

We have been incredibly fortunate in our lives: we have two successful, stable careers, ample resources, and a strong network of support. We love being parents and seeing the bond that has developed between our kids. We feel drawn to adding one more kid to our family and, after very complicated pregnancies and premature deliveries, would love to expand our family through adoption. We are open to any gender and race and are committing to ensuring that our adopted son or daughter learns of his or her heritage and is raised in an inclusive environment.