Tucker & Katie

About Us

We are a simple Midwest couple that found each other online after establishing ourselves personally and professionally. We bonded instantly over shared values of love, adventure, hard work and education. After getting married, we hoped to start a family but it wasn't to be. When we discovered our chances of having of biological child were very low, we decided adoption was the right path for us. We have a lot of love to give, and believe we can provide a good home for any child.

Although we are both white and have been raised Catholic, we feel it is important to expose any child to variety of cultures and experiences to create a well-rounded worldview. If we are fortunate to adopt a child from a different background, we will be sure to expose him/her to their cultural heritage and take part in the journey along with them. We feel it is important for us to lay a good foundation for a child to succeed, but as they grow older allow them room to grow into who they want to become, as our parents did for us.

We enjoy traveling and have collected Christmas ornaments from every place we've visited since we've been together, including Mexico, Georgia, Tennessee and Illinois. We like to hike, visit museums, go to beaches, watch sporting events and cook different foods together.

Our Home

We bought our home with the expectation that we would fill it with children and love. It is a two-story suburban home. Our basement is currently unfinished, but we hope to one day turn it into a large family area. We continue to update the interior and exterior of our house to make it more and more into a warm, welcoming home.

We live in an allotment surrounding a golf course (our home is not on the course). The only traffic we see on our streets are those who live in the area and deliveries. During warmer weather, we can hear children all around us playing and see them riding bikes up and down the sidewalks.

Our home is within only minutes of schools, hospitals and other important resources. We are near a number of local parks that have everything from swings to baseball fields. We also have quite a few restaurants and other fun activities within a short drive.

About Katie *by Tucker*

Katie is the most caring individual I've ever met. She was born to be a mother and it shows in her chosen profession as a teacher and in the way she interacts with children of family and friends. If there is a baby in the room, she has to hold it. Katie will do anything for anyone if she is able. Among the ways she demonstrates her love for others is to organize get togethers and trips, prepare meals, and be there for someone during hard times. Her adventurous spirit is contagious and affects all those around her. She is a strong person, and I love and admire her greatly.

Katie and her sisters on a trip to Las Vegas

Kids craft time during a get-together with friends

About Tucker *by Katie*

Tucker impressed me from the moment I met him. He is loyal, honest, smart, funny and always has a plan. In any situation, Tucker has the ability to make others feel at ease. He is always willing to help—like when we show up early to a family celebration and he jumps in to help my mom with whatever she needs or when he spends his summer weekends doing home projects for us or helping friends. I love seeing him be a role model for his nephews and how he was an instant favorite among my nieces and nephews as well. Tucker gives his all in everything he does and I know fatherhood will be no different.

Tucker planning the next stop on vacation

Tucker and our nephews during game night

Fun Facts About Us

	Katie	Tucker
Occupation	Teacher	Marketing/Communications
Education	Masters of Education	Masters of Communication
Food	Stir fry	Steak
Vacation	Traveling across the Western U.S.	Las Vegas
Holiday	Christmas	Christmas
Childhood Memory	Spending summers outside with my siblings and friends	Spending time with friends; Watching sports
Hobbies	Cooking/baking, playing board games, gardening, reading	Watching sports, playing video games / board games, reading
Music	Pop and country	Metal/hard rock

Our Family

Katie and our youngest nieces

Our family is large. When we think about our family, we don't just consider those in our immediate family circle, but also our friends. Katie comes from a big family, as one of six children. Her brothers and sisters are each married and have 12 children combined. We all gather at her parents' house for holidays to enjoy good times and companionship. Tucker's family is smaller, having one sister with three bi-racial sons of her own. His mom is still a major fixture in their lives. Our family members have found success as business owners, doctors, nurses, teachers and more.

Our friends play a big role in our lives, many of which we've both had since high school. While we both brought our own circle of friends to our relationship, we've each blended nicely into each other's world, demonstrating the quality of people we associate with. We often spend time with friends and their families and love the second-generation friendships that are developing among the children. Our friends come from diverse backgrounds.

We also have a dog named Ripley. She was a rescue. She loves greeting visitors to our home, especially kids. She enjoys going to our local dog park, eating, going for walks and snuggling.

Reading to our nephew

Ripley snuggling with our nephew-her favorite!

Tucker and our nephews

Tucker watching football with friends

Katie and her sisters

Katie with her parents and siblings

Katie and friends enjoying a concert

Celebrating Thanksgiving with friends

Tucker's nephew on pizza night

A summer pool party with friends

Bowling with our nephews

Katie with Tucker's mother and sister

Katie's nieces during a shopping trip

Dear Birth Mother,

We can only imagine the difficult choice you're considering, but we want to assure you that your faith in us would not be misplaced. We have fought through a lot together ourselves and understand the difficult things life can throw at someone. We hope to honor your strength and courage in this choice, by providing the best possible home, filled with love, warmth and joy, for the child you place in our care.

We are simple people who met online after establishing ourselves personally and professionally. We bonded immediately over the shared values of love, adventure, education and hard work. Despite our struggles with infertility, we feel we have so much love to give a child, along with the necessary resources and support. As a teacher and communications professional, we are well suited to handle the challenges of raising a child and welcome the opportunity.

Whether the child has a similar or different cultural background than us, we believe it's beneficial to expose any child to different cultures and traditions to provide them with a well-rounded worldview. A child coming into our lives from a different heritage or background will be able to fully explore his/her culture, with us along to experience that journey with them. We will seek out resources and successful role models, so he/she can form quality connections in areas where we may lack adequate knowledge.

We hope this gives you a good idea of who we are as people and what kind of parents we will make. Thank you for taking the time to get to know us!

Sincerely,

Katie and Tucker

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Why Adoption?

Our infertility journey was a difficult time for us with many ups and downs. Towards the end we were presented with alternatives, but truly felt that adoption was the only path for us. We have the love and resources available to provide a great and loving home to a child that may already need one. We feel for birth mothers who may be struggling with a variety of things, and only want the best for the child she is bringing into the world. We feel we can provide a safe and loving home to that child, and give a birth mother the peace of mind she needs to move forward herself.