

Lauren *and* Lauren







hello!

We are Lauren, Lauren, and Madi,

a fun loving, icecream eating family that will care for you and your child always.

Thank you so much for picking up our book and taking the time to learn more about us. As you turn the pages, we hope that you find comfort and connection with us as people, a couple, and a family. In your planning and preparation throughout this journey, please know that we support you and the decisions you feel are best for your child. We hope to get the chance to meet you and learn about the dreams you have for your child's future.

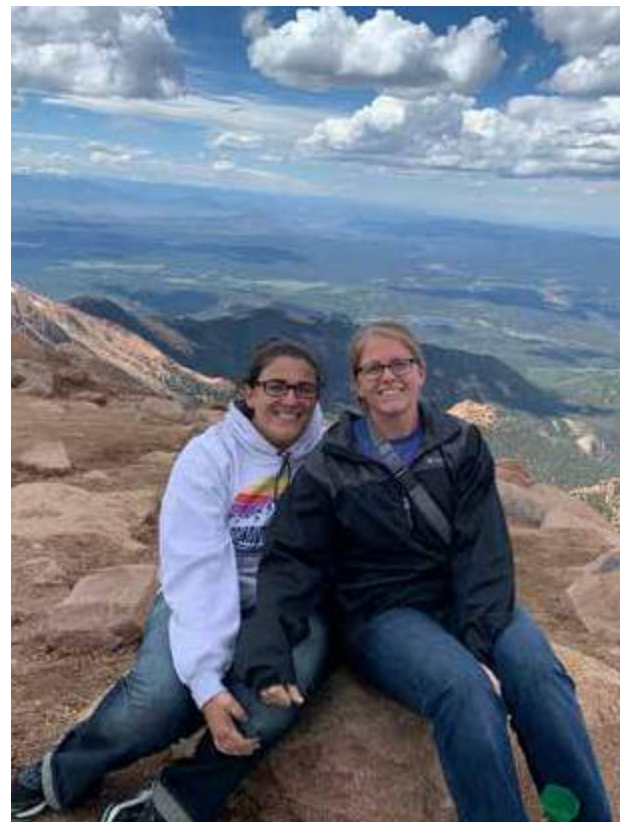
No matter the journey you have been on to get to us,

WE ARE HONORED AND READY TO JOIN YOU, IF YOU WILL HAVE US,

Lauren, Lauren & Madi

our STORY

Lauren V and I met while setting up for a friend's surprise birthday party. It was refreshing to learn of our mutual love for traveling, sports, and being with friends and family. After about six months of texts, calls, and friends' parties, we began to start dating. We are so lucky to have found our person in one another, and have been in a loving, committed relationship for over 11 years now.



Lauren M on the day we met:

“The day we met, I felt like I had known Lauren V for years. Her outlook on her career as a coach, and her love for her family and travel felt familiar and comfortable.”



Lauren V on the day we met:

“We played 2 on 2 basketball the first day we met. I guarded her the whole game and she gave me a run for my money. After I knocked her over on a rebound, and she continued to be kind and engaging, I knew she was special.”





Our Adoption Journey:

Through this adoption journey, it has been amazing to see how we balance each other out. Lauren M lifts me up when I feel discouraged. Lauren V makes me smile and laugh through the waiting.

We take turns being encouraging for the one who feels defeated. No matter what, we make sure to remind one another of our dreams to grow our family and how much love we have to give to one another and our children. We are so hopeful and ready to adopt again.





meet Lauren M.

Hi! I am Lauren M., also known as Mama Kiwi! I grew up in Northeast Ohio, playing softball with my younger sister. My father recently retired as an engineer, to help my mother with her Italian restaurant. Boy, are these two a hoot on radio commercials!

Monday through Friday, I am a Regional Performance Manager at a large snack food company, which is a major hit with all Madi's friends. I love to coach Madi's softball team, travel, watch live sports, and go to concerts and movies in my spare time. I also enjoy spending time as a family every Sunday for dinner at my parents. I like to relax by watching a movie, going on bike rides or watching the sunset on our back deck with our family and best friends.

Growing our family is something the three of us have dreamed about for years now, and I cannot wait to share our adventures and unconditional love with another sweet little soul.



Friends say I am:

Fun, Loyal, Kind

I am inspired by:

Family and Competition

Favorite movies:

A League of Their Own

Angels in the Outfield

Favorite memory:

Canning sauce with my grandma





meet **Lauren V.**

Hi! I am Lauren V, also known as Mama Bear. I was born and raised in Northwest Pennsylvania, with an older and younger sister. My favorite memories growing up are centered around family birthday parties and summer nights at the beach cooking out.

I am a university soccer coach by day and a mom all the time. If not watching soccer, I am coaching it or challenging Madi to soccer games in the backyard. I enjoy mowing the lawn, weeding, baking, traveling, and fixing things. Since Madi has such a passion for music and dance, I have really enjoyed taking her to concerts. My favorite concert as a family was watching Pink fly through the audience in Pittsburgh. To relax, I like to sit on my front porch and listen to music or take our dogs for a walk.

Adding another child to our family is something my heart has been set on for quite some time. I just love to see the world through the innocence and love of a child. I believe their hugs and kisses are the cure to all life's challenges.





Friends say I am:
Kind, Witty, Compassionate

Favorite Movie:
The Intern
Cars

I am Inspired by:
Faith and Family
Favorite Memory:
Lauren M surprised me with a
destination 30th birthday with
all my favorite people



meet Madi

Madison was born in Pennsylvania in 2009 and came to live with us in 2012. She loves to stay in contact with her dad, older sister, and brother through phone calls and visits. Her mother passed away in 2019.

Madi has a huge heart and has overcome a lot in her first 12 years of life. We are so proud of her! Watching her become independent in social situations and in her schoolwork has been so rewarding.

Madi is thoughtful and kind like her Mama Bear and works hard in sports and school like her Mama Kiwi. She loves being busy and has tried volleyball, basketball, softball, and soccer, but she is most passionate about dancing, singing, and crafts.

Madi prays for a little brother or sister every night. She said that we have too much love to give to keep it to just the three of us.





Friends say I am:
Funny, Active, Caring

Inspired by:
Family and Friends

Favorite Movie:
Work It!

Favorite memory:
Swimming with dolphins

meet Our Boys



We have two wonderful dogs. Our oldest, Frank, is a 7-year-old black lab, Boston terrier mix. He is very loving and protective. In the morning, he will not go downstairs until everyone is out of bed.

Max is a 6-year-old terrier mix. He is very playful and independent. He loves the sun, and you will find him sunbathing wherever it shines through our windows.

Both dogs are great with kids, and love to give loads of kisses.



Lauren V in Lauren M's words:

“Lauren V. is one of the most selfless, caring, funny, compassionate, patient, and loving human beings I know. She is an incredible cook and an amazing mother. She pushes me to be the best version of myself and I am blessed to parent with her.”

Lauren M in Lauren V's words:

“Lauren M. has the biggest and most thoughtful heart. The way she cares for and empowers others is inspiring. What I really admire about her, is her drive to succeed and provide. Madi and I are so lucky to receive her unconditional love.”



our Home

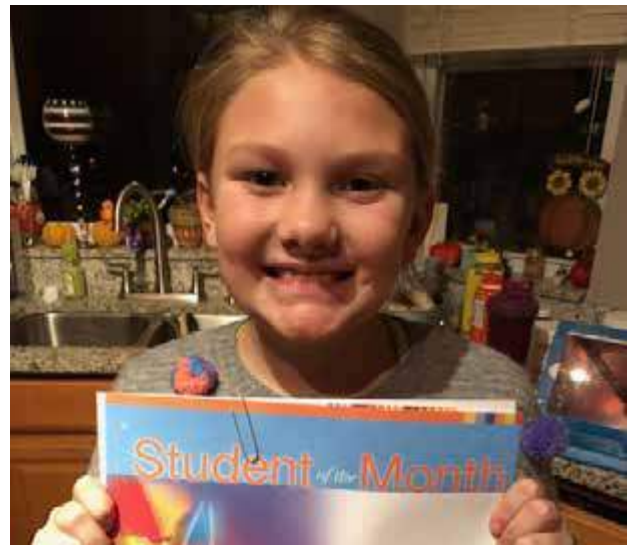
In 2019, we were blessed with the opportunity to build a new home in the same neighborhood we had fallen in love with and lived in for the last 7 years. Our new home has not only given us an extra bedroom (for all the friends and family we have anxiously waiting to welcome this baby), but also a great backyard that Madi and her friends love to play in. We can't wait to add a swing set for the baby.



our Community

We love our neighborhood because it is young, diverse and friendly. During the summers, we have s'mores nights or cookouts in each other's driveways. We may even play a game of cornhole or basketball. Don't worry, we let the kids win sometimes! In the winter, we have snowman making contests. It's not about the biggest snowman, but more about how you decorate the snowman!

Our school district is amazing and offers many different learning opportunities. We are lucky to live in a school district that Madi loves, and that believes investing in the arts is as important as investing in books.



our Family

Lauren M says:

I have a very tightknit and large Italian family! My parents, aunts, uncles, and cousins all live in the same city I was raised and live in. My parents met in a bowling league and have been married for 38 years. They have set an incredible example, for my sister and I, of the importance of loyalty and compromise in a relationship.

My sister is my best friend. We work for the same company and get together every Christmas to help make Italian cookies at my parents' restaurant. Even though she lives in Texas, she comes back to Ohio frequently and makes us all laugh like no one else can.

My family cannot wait to welcome another baby into our family. We are looking forward to adding another vacationer on our spring family vacations. Madi usually gets to pick the destination, so it will be nice to have someone new get a turn to pick!

Lauren M's favorite family tradition:

My favorite holiday is Thanksgiving because it's the only time it's totally acceptable to eat as much turkey as possible, take naps, and then watch football the rest of the day! My cousins from New York come to town and it is tradition for us all to play multiple games of basketball the morning of our Thanksgiving feast. We are so blessed to be able to pick up right where we left off, and just enjoying laughing with one another. They are overjoyed to meet the new baby.



Family is Forever



Lauren V says:

My parents were high school sweethearts. My dad worked his way up from the floor of a manufacturing company to a management role that has him running his own building and managing over 100 employees. He is retiring at the end of the year and cannot wait to shower the new baby with love. My mom is an in-home nurse's aide. She has passion for caring for the sick. She can't wait to take the baby for walks in the stroller.

In 2019, my older sister, passed away from an overdose. She was bright, funny, and beautiful. We miss her so much every day. My younger sister, lives in Colorado with her husband and their 4 cats. She is studying for her masters degree in Family and Marital Counseling. She is Madi's favorite person in the world, and the best person I know.

We are all so excited to welcome another baby into the family. My family has shown me the importance of giving and receiving help. It is through them, that I have learned the power of unconditional love. We believe we are stronger together. My favorite thing about my family is their ability to make all feel welcome at our table.



Our Milestones

Lauren M. receives Bachelor's degree

Lauren V. receives Bachelor's degree

WE MEET!

Adopted Madi

Certified to adopt

Built a new home

2007

2008

2010

2012

2018

2019

Hobbies *and* Interests

- * Playing and being outdoors
- * Working out
- * Going to live sporting events
- * Playing cards and board games
- * Walking our dogs
- * Baking
- * Marvel Movies/TV Series
- * WE LOVE TO TRAVEL
- * Our favorite day of the week is Sunday, because we get to enjoy a family dinner with both sets of grandparents, aunts and cousins.



our PROMISE



From the bottom of our hearts, THANK YOU, for picking up our book and considering us to walk with you through this journey. In the days moving forward, we promise to provide your child with a safe, loving, honest, and fun household to grow up in. We will make sure to support all the needs and wants of your child. We will decorate and celebrate holidays and we will surround your child with the best role models. We will show your child the world on our family vacations, and never let a day go by without reminding them how much they are loved by all,
ESPECIALLY YOU!

Before you go...

We know that all the information in this profile can be overwhelming and we admire your courage in exploring all the options for you and your child. Should you pick us, we would love to develop an open relationship with you today and each day moving forward.

Thanks so much for your courage and consideration,

Lauren, Lauren & Madi

