# CLAYTON and KATIE





Adoption has been an integral part of Katie's life. Katie and her brothers were all adopted from South Korea. Her 3 aunts were also adopted through her grandparents work as foster parents.

COLORADO.

We are excited to continue the tradition of adoption within our family, as we have first-hand experience with the gift of our whole family. We look forward to growing our family and sharing our passions, love, and life. We hope to support our future child by providing a home where they can expand their horizons through travel, appreciate the natural beauty of the outdoors, and follow their

passions. We PROMISE to be a source of support, guidance, and love every day of their lives.

We can only imagine how difficult this decision must be. and the many thoughts and feelings you're having. Our hope is to provide a loving home where your child will know about your love for them always. We know that parenthood doesn't require DNA, only love and we would be honored to be chosen.



adoption and how it has enriched

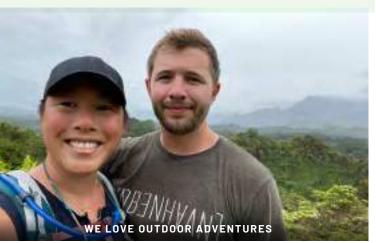
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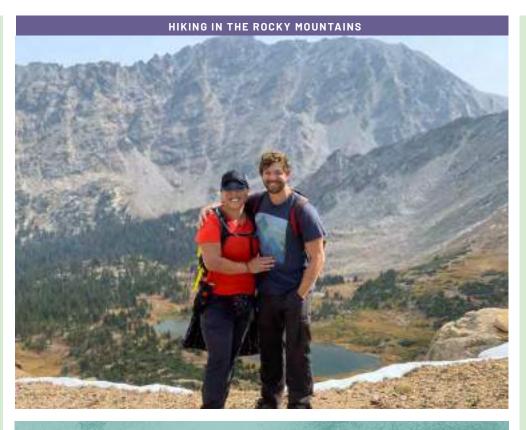
We met five years ago in a co-ed softball league.

t was where we discovered our mutual love of the outdoors, travel and food. We were married in 2020 in Katie's parent's backyard in Wisconsin. Though the wedding was small, we were surrounded by our closest family and friends which made our day so special!









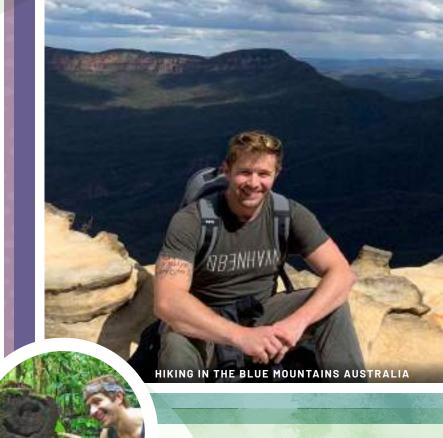
# We hope to SHARE WITH our future child

- To build strong self confidence
- Determination and drive to accomplish their goals
- Accountability for their actions
- Empathy and compassion for all people
- Ability to critically think through problems

#### **About**

#### CLAYTON

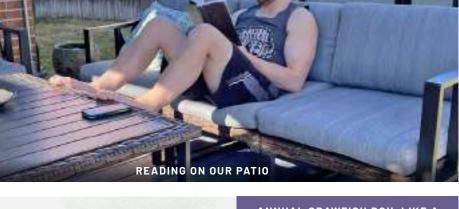
find happiness in everything I do. I make the best out of every situation and make sure the people around me are smiling too. No matter who the person is or what the activity is, I approach it with sincerity and genuine interest. After the passing of my sister's husband, I played a major role in raising my nephew into the bright and kind young boy he is today. I have always balanced being "the fun and favorite uncle" with the challenge of teaching my nephew important life lessons. I can't wait to have a child of our own to teach and love on.



## CLAYTON'S Fun Facts

- Favorite Childhood Activity: Sports
- Favorite Children's Book: Harry Potter
- Favorite Ice Cream Flavor: Cookie Dough

- FavoriteSports Team:New OrleansSaints
- Favorite
   TV Show:
   Community
   or Game of
   Thrones
- FavoriteHobby: Hiking



#### TOP 5 FIRSTS

T can't wait to
EXPERIENCE WITH
my future child

- Their first concert
- Their first time riding a bike
- Their first time skiing
- Their first time going to the beach
- Their first time riding a roller coaster



I FOUND A SMILEY LOG

WHILE HIKING



#### About KATIE

am an optimistic person who tries to focus on the positives life has to offer.

I live an active lifestyle which includes skiing, cycling, and hiking; though I always love a night curled up with Clayton watching the latest show or movie. I love to cook and incorporate cooking whenever I spend time with my nieces and nephews!



I am a high-energy, driven and positive person. The world has so much to offer, I want to take advantage of it all!

TRYING MY HAND AT FALCONRY



a special note

FROM KATIE



AS AN ADOPTEE MYSELF,
I understand the unique
challenges that can arise. I want
to thank you for providing this
opportunity.

#### TOP 5 THINGS

I'm excited for as a parent:

- Showing my future child all the world can offer
- Supporting them through all the challenges life brings - heart break, failure, disappointment
- Having those small moments that can be so impactful,
- such as inside jokes, seeing them laugh after I do something silly, or when they crawl up into my lap to watch tv
- Seeing them bond closely with family, friends and cousins
- Snuggles!

Growing up in a primarily white family and area of Wisconsin, the moments where I knew I looked different than others were few and far between. My cousin put it best, saying "growing up, you were just Katie my cousin."

My parents ensured we celebrated my Korean heritage through Tae Kwon Do (my brothers and I are black belts), eating Korean foods and even traveling to Korea to visit the orphanage we lived in prior to coming to America.

I have always looked at the positivity adoption

has brought into my life - my freedoms here in America, the loving family I was welcomed into, and opportunities for education.

I feel uniquely able to understand how an adopted child may feel. I recall seeing the love his birth mother and grandmother had for him as they sat next to him at lunch feeding him and petting his hands. We are open to whatever relationship is best for all involved.



# OUR HOME and COMMUNITY



beautiful COLORADO.

We love our home which sits in a wonderful neighborhood close to parks, bike paths and our friends.

The best part of our home is the inlaw suite which allows our family, and especially our parents, to visit and stay with us for extended periods of time. As our child grows older, we see this as the perfect game room for them and their friends. We have a large fenced backyard and patio perfect for playing games, family BBQs, and spending time outside. Additionally, we live right next to a bike path which leads directly to two beautiful nearby parks. It rarely gets too hot and it rarely gets too cold where we live.

### We enjoy sunshine and perfect weather most days of the year,

WINTER ISN'T BAD WHEN YOU CAN SKI THE COLD AWAY

which we take advantage of by taking a short drive up to the beautiful rocky mountains for hiking, biking, camping, and skiing.



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We have two wonderful & active bengal cats - Kimchi & Cajun.







hey are extremely friendly, sweet, and playful, spending many nights cuddled up with us on the couch. They are very patient kitties with our nieces and nephews who love to chase, carry and squeeze them.

They love to be outside with us in our backyard chasing bugs and balls. We love them very much and make a lot of effort to ensure they are well behaved, groomed and clean.





#### FAMILY and FRIENDS

Our family sends their love from Wisconsin, Texas and Louisiana.

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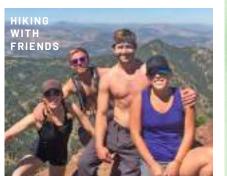
CLAYTON'S FAMILY is made up of his mother (Nana), one brother (and his wife), one sister (and her husband) with there three children. KATIE'S FAMILY is made up of her parents (Grandpa and Grandma), two brothers (their wives), one niece and one nephew.

Our big crazy family loves to be together, not just to celebrate milestones but to enjoy each other's company. Clayton's brother and sister-in-law visit Colorado every New Years for skiing and tubing fun! Katie's family takes a big vacation with everyone every 2 years, the last trip was

in Seattle. Visits to Louisiana are always filled with crawfish boils, games and lots of amazing food! Our trips to Wisconsin always include fun activities where the family can get together - both immediate and the many cousins who live in the area.

Our families are so excited for us to adopt; they cannot wait to have a new little one to join our boisterous family!





We have a wonderful circle of friends in Colorado who love and support us in so many ways.

We love hosting our friends for game nights, backyard BBQs and movies. They are always there to house sit when we are on vacation or come help when there is a house project. Many of our friends are expecting babies and have already started to plan baby play dates and fun activities we can all do together. Our friends are a wonderful support system here in Colorado and are all excited to become a part of our future child's life.







#### THANK YOU

for taking the time to learn about us, we hope this gave you a glimmer of who we are as people, as a couple and who we want to be as parents.

not taken lightly and we hope knowing that we are good, loving and kind people provides some level of comfort. We are committed to this journey and hope our profile provides a look into the life we plan to provide to your child. Don't hesitiate to reach out and ask any additional questions.



Katie and Clayton

