



Lauren & Kellie

hey, mama!

We can't tell you how much we appreciate you taking the time to consider us to raise your baby. Take a breath and know you are in a safe space with us. Know that we will not only do everything we can to create the best life possible for your child, but we are here to support you as well. We admire your strength and bravery in making this huge life decision. We hope that this small glimpse into our life will help you get to know who we are and feel at ease. We would love to get to know all about you, too!

WITH LOVE

Lauren & Kellie



**"In a field
of roses,
she is a
wildflower"**



ABOUT ME

Lauren



Hi, I'm Lauren! I am originally from New Jersey and moved to North Carolina when I was 8-years-old for my fathers' job. I currently work for an insurance company as a Network Engagement Manager. I am often considered the giver or helper; I love to give back to people and help anyone out. My last position at work was in community outreach helping low-income seniors with insurance needs. The most fun part of that job was getting to do arts and crafts, play bingo, have ice cream socials, work with food pantries and get to know the seniors in my community. I have always wanted to be a mother. My poor little sister would agree that I always made her play house with me and she was the baby every single time! I thrive in sunshine and around water. My dream is to live near the beach. I love learning about different cultures; whether it be through attending festivals, trying new foods or immersing myself in the culture. I did theatre growing up and love everything about the arts. I enjoy making memories, taking chances and embracing the moment.

fun facts

FAVORITE COLOR:
PURPLE

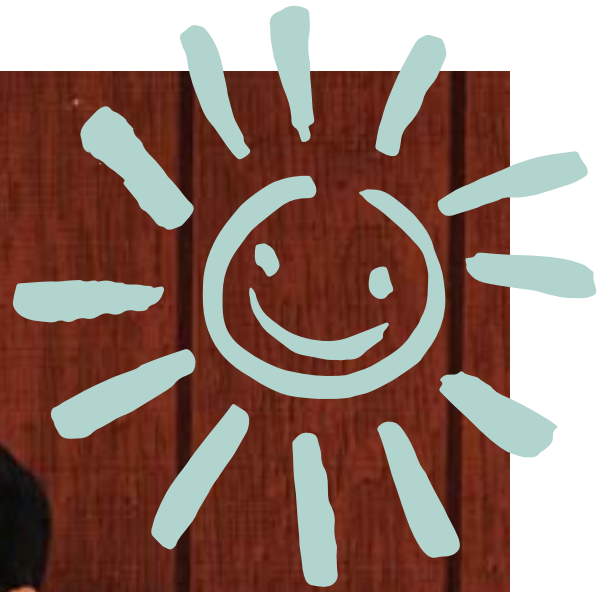
FAVORITE ANIMAL:
SEA TURTLE

FAVORITE FOOD:
SUSHI

FAVORITE SHOW:
A MILLION
LITTLE THINGS

HOBBIES:
KAYAKING, CRAFTS,
AND COOKING

**"Worry
less,
smile
more"**





ABOUT ME

Kellie



Hi, I'm Kellie! I moved to North Carolina from Pennsylvania 15-years-ago in search of warmer weather. I love making people laugh and bringing them up when they are down. I am pretty funny! I currently work at home for an insurance company in provider demographics. Being from PA, I am a huge Steelers fan. I love the beach, pool and being around any body of water. One dream I have for the future is opening my own pizza shop called Kelz Pizza! I love coming up with different creations and making homemade pizzas. I am also Lauren's sous chef in the kitchen and enjoy cooking dinner together every night. I grew up playing a lot of sports and being very active. One of my favorite jobs I have had was working in a daycare, just playing with kids all day and watching them grow. Some would say I am a kid at heart! My family and friends mean everything to me.

fun facts

FAVORITE COLOR:
BLUE

FAVORITE ANIMAL:
MONKEY

FAVORITE FOOD:
PIZZA

FAVORITE SHOW:
CHICAGO FIRE
+ CHICAGO PD

HOBBIES:
FISHING +
STEELERS FOOTBALL

"STAY CLOSE TO PEOPLE WHO FEEL LIKE SUNLIGHT"





About Lauren

BY KELLIE

Lauren is one of the most thoughtful people I know. She lets you know how much she loves you in special, unique ways. She makes everyone around her feel welcomed and cared for. We have fun together no matter what we do! I love that she is more adventurous than I am and is always pushing me out of my comfort zone in the best ways. Lauren is my biggest cheerleader!

About Kellie

BY LAUREN

Kellie is an incredibly kind, funny and giving person. She will go out of her way to make you smile and laugh. She thinks about others before herself and takes pride in being a good friend, daughter, sister and wife. Her family is so important to her as well. We connected based on how comfortable we felt being our true, authentic, quirky and silly selves around each other.

WE HAVE SO MUCH

LOVE

TO GIVE



Our Adoption Journey

When we began dating, we immediately spoke about children. Both of us love children and always wanted to have our own someday. Little did we know that we both wanted to adopt! Lauren has always wanted to adopt and both Kellie's brother and sister were adopted at birth. We first chose to become foster parents to help children in need and support keeping families together. After three years of being foster parents, we decided it was time to permanently expand our family and adopt. Adoption has always been our first choice to grow our family.

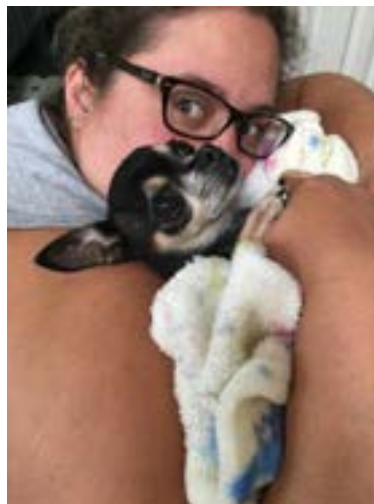
We can promise you we will always be your child's safe place. They will never question our love and support. We will be there for all the good times and especially for all the bad times. We promise to teach your child how to be a good person. We promise that your child will be surrounded by love and be the center of our world. They will always know where they came from and will never have to question their background. We will always explain your selfless love and strength.

**YOU WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN,
You will be celebrated!**

This is
HOME!



We truly love where we live!

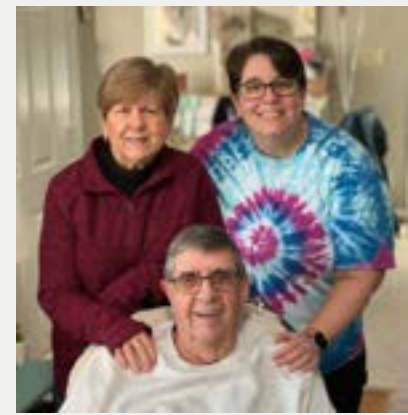


We live in central North Carolina about equal distances from the beach and the mountains. Our home has three bedrooms and is in a cul-de-sac tucked in the middle of a diverse neighborhood with children all around. We were immediately drawn to the bright red door on our house and the daffodils in the front yard. We live near parks, lakes and walking trails. We also have a big backyard just waiting for a playset! We are close to downtown with museums, restaurants and fun places to explore.

The schools in our community are among the best. We are zoned for the same schools Lauren grew up attending! We both currently work from home, which is great for flexibility and a work/life balance. Our best friends live just down the street from us, which would be amazing for playdates!

Maya

We have a 14-year-old chihuahua named **Maya**. She is tiny at four pounds but full of personality. She is a sweet little princess with a side of chihuahua sass. She has always loved children and has been known to sneak kisses at any given opportunity. She loves a big cuddly blanket and soaking up the sun. She has recently become blind, which has been a challenge. We are 100% committed to her and making sure she can still live the best life possible each and every day.





Family & Friends

Lauren's parents live only a few miles away. We often get together for major holidays. We have dinner together frequently and stop by just to say hello. We are all very close and talk every day. They can't wait to be grandparents! Her father just retired so he is ready to babysit. Lauren's younger sister lives in New York, along with much of her extended family. Her sister comes home often to visit. Lauren has family in Florida as well, one of her cousins there recently had a baby!

Kellie's family all live in Pennsylvania. She has an older brother, an older sister, a niece and two nephews. Even though they don't live nearby, we talk often through facetime and daily Snapchats. We love traveling to Pennsylvania to spend time with family. Kellie's siblings are both adopted as well, so her family is familiar with adoption. They both grew up knowing they were adopted. They speak often about honoring their birth mothers and where they come from.

Our close friends are our family as well. Two of our best friends are sisters and they consider us their third and fourth sisters! Their children call us Aunt Lauren and Aunt Kellie. We love their kids as if they were our own. Our friends' parents invite us down to their beach house all the time and consider us their daughters too. We all have cookouts a lot during the summer! We love to get together and play all kinds of games and have fun. Since the addition of their kids, we now have Disney karaoke and dance parties! We are always there for their kid's birthday parties and special occasions.

IF YOU WERE TO CHOOSE US TO RAISE YOUR CHILD, YOU AND YOUR FAMILY WOULD BECOME OUR FAMILY AS WELL. WE WOULD INVITE YOU IN WITH OPEN ARMS AS MUCH AS YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE. WE CAN FIGURE OUT THE DETAILS LATER! WE BELIEVE THAT THIS RELATIONSHIP CAN BE A BEAUTIFUL ONE.

Family Traditions

We have many special traditions that we love

Some revolve around holidays and some are just things that make us happy! We spend holidays with family and friends, usually sharing a meal and time with one another.

One tradition we love is getting fresh cut flowers each weekend to put in our home. It brightens our day seeing them!

We also love going to the farmer's market. In the spring we get fresh veggies and flowers to plant. In the fall we pick up mums and holiday decor. We have a local strawberry farm that we love to go to in the springtime as well. In the fall, the same farm grows pumpkins! Every year we go and pick out one for each of us and a tiny one for our chihuahua. We can't wait to add another pumpkin. We usually carve our pumpkins with our friends and have a bonfire and roast s'mores.

We spend our summers at the pool and outside. Both of our birthdays are during the summer, so we always have cupcakes at the pool. We enjoy taking day trips to the beach as well. Birthdays are a huge deal to us! We love to celebrate each other and make the day all about the person. Kellie used to not celebrate her birthday often but since we have been together, it is a day all about her!

On Christmas Eve, we drive around and see all the Christmas lights and luminaries. We have so much fun seeing all the lights! One area of town we love to go to has miles and miles of lighted balls strung through the trees. They play music and collect food for donations. It has been featured in the news many times!

The lights are truly magical.

We would love to know what some of your special traditions are. If chosen, we would enjoy incorporating those traditions into your child's life as they grow up to carry them on. We are willing to learn and educate ourselves on any special traditions you have.





"We didn't realize we were making memories; we just knew we were having fun"

We really enjoy traveling to new places and having unique experiences! A lot of our travel is to spend time with family. We always enjoy a tropical and warm location together. We like to find beaches we haven't been to before so that we can explore and walk along the shore to collect shells to decorate our home. We also enjoy building sandcastles and swimming in the ocean. Yes, we're pretty much just big kids! We went on a cruise to the Southern Caribbean several years ago and it was an amazing experience. We got to visit six islands in seven days! We were able to go on a catamaran sail in Antigua, snorkel with sea turtles in St Thomas, explore a volcano and mud bath in St Lucia and experience the culture of Puerto Rico. We hope to explore new destinations and countries in the future.



"It never hurts to keep
looking for **sunshine**"





We want to thank you again for taking the time to read our profile.

There truly are no words that fully express our gratitude for you. We hope you were able to see that we can provide your child a life full of undying love, laughter, exploration and devotion. There will be no shortage of hugs and giggles in our home.

We hope this is only the beginning of our relationship and look forward to getting to know you. We want to know what makes you smile, everything you love and how we can best support you now and in the future. We send you all our love as you make this decision and hope that you find peace and comfort in your choice.

All Our Love
Lauren
& Kellie



OUR FAMILY VALUES

**BE A KIND HUMAN
HAVE COMPASSION FOR OTHERS
SMILE OFTEN AND HAVE FUN
♥ LOVE UNCONDITIONALLY
HONOR YOUR UNIQUE HISTORY
BE CREATIVE**



MADE WITH LOVE BY
luna + evermore
DESIGNS CO. ADOPTION CONSULTANTS