



LEWIS AND TRAVIS

Dear Potential Birth Parents...

We are Lewis and Travis. We met on an online dating app in 2012. Initially, we were taken aback by our different interests and hobbies. However, those differences have kept our conversations lasting and our connection deep. Our relationship grew year after year, and in 2017 we were married. We have a very loving marriage and we're always supportive of each other through good times and bad. We make each other better people and bring out the best in each other. One thing we have shared since the beginning of our relationship has been our desire to have children.

A Few of Our Favorite Things

- * Traveling
- * Hosting holiday parties
- * REALLY big dogs
- * Cooking... (and eating)



It was our greatest wish to start a family to share in our love and wonderful life we have built together. We were blessed in 2018 when we adopted our daughter, Florence. She is the light of our lives and a beautiful young soul. We are excited to embark on this journey once again . . .

Lewis

Lewis is determined and a hard worker as well as being loving, caring, and encouraging. He is a contract manager for a government contractor. Lewis is a great person with a huge heart who will always go out of his way to put a smile on anyone's face. When it comes to family, no favor is too big or small. He would go to the the ends of the earth to help a family member, and will always make time to be a supportive father, son, uncle, and brother.

- * Lewis teaches yoga in his free time. He finds it deeply fulfilling to help others find peace through yoga. He has been practicing yoga since 1999 and has been teaching since 2009. Lewis also loves working in the garden and traveling. One of his favorite things to do while we travel is trying new foods.
- * Above all else, he is the most amazing father. He is a wonderful role model and dad to Florence. He enjoys taking her to the beach and on walks with our dog. He is so excited to welcome another baby into the family.



Travis

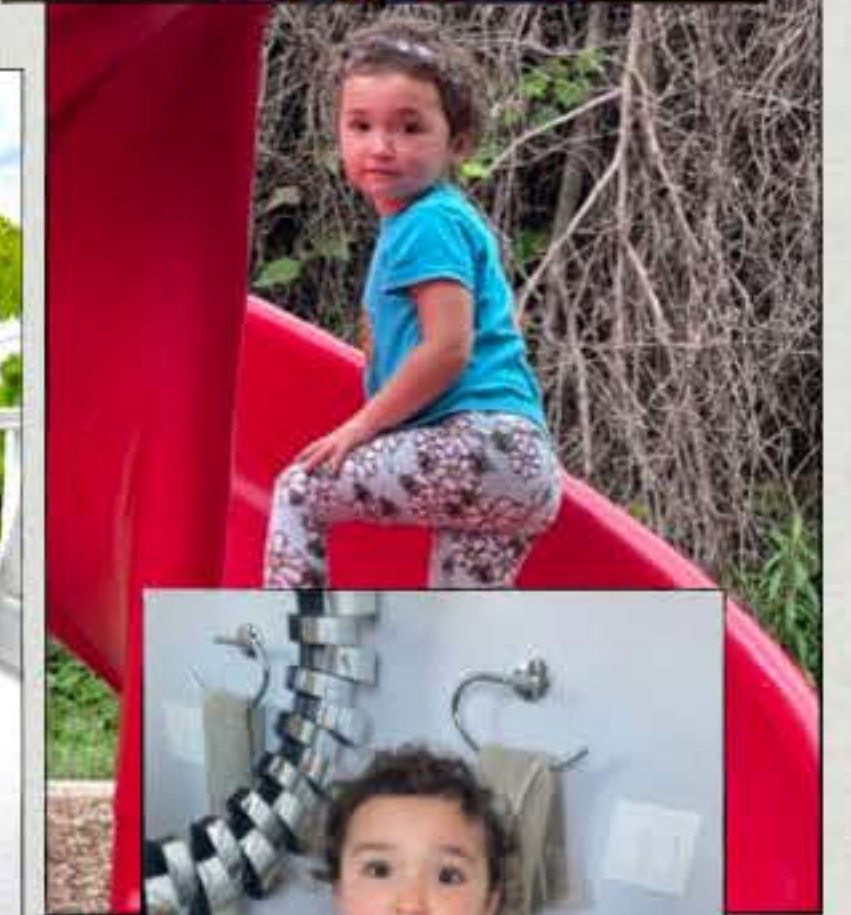
Travis is the most thoughtful and caring person ever met. He has made a career in the U.S. Army. He truly goes out of his way for others, whether it be a shoulder to cry on, helping to move furniture, or a place to stay during hard times, his family and friends know they can always count on him.

- * Travis loves do-it-yourself projects. He is very crafty and enjoys working with his hands. He has built furniture, outdoor hardscapes, and multiple bookshelves for our home. Travis is naturally curious. His curiosity has led him to travel the world and explore different cultures and environments.
- * Children are naturally drawn to Travis, and it was no different with Florence. She absolutely adores him and looks up to him in so many ways. He is a fantastic dad and is so thrilled to make new memories and traditions as a family of four.



Florence

Our daughter, Florence, is a passionate, inquisitive, and independent lady. She is kind, loving, energetic, and one tough cookie when it comes to sports. She has always been very tender towards babies and animals and is quick to shower them with kisses and hugs. She loves working on puzzles and building with Legos and loves to show her cousins and friends at school the right way to do the puzzles. Her laughter is infectious and always brightens everyone's day. She doesn't know it yet, but she is going to be the best big sister!



Our Fun Family Traditions

Building family traditions is important to us.

- * We love continuing childhood traditions like baking cookies for Santa, dying Easter eggs, and trick-or-treating. Everyone enjoys the decorating and Santa always eats the cookies Florence decorates.



- * We've started new traditions like silly themes for our annual Christmas party..we are suckers for a theme! So far we have done:

- * Lumberjacks
- * Family Onesies
- * Ugly sweaters
- * Christmas suits
- * Hawaiian Christmas
- * Disney Christmas
- * The Grinch Christmas (2020)



We can't wait to start planning costume themes for 4!

Traveling to New Places

As parents we want to encourage our children to try new things, so they can experience the beauty of the world through travel.

- * Before becoming parents, we traveled across the US and Europe, including getting married in Ireland in 2017
- * We've become experts at traveling with kids (Play Doh and Baby Wipes always save the day!). Florence has already been to 6 countries and 10 states.
- * We are certain Florence will teach her sibling the best toys to take on an airplane.



Can't wait for another passenger for our next trip!

Lewis' Family

My parents, Jean and Stan, just celebrated their 43rd wedding anniversary this year. They have taught me the true meaning of love and marriage. My mom is a retired preschool teacher. I had the honor of watching her in her natural element when I interned at her school for a summer enrichment program in high school. She was a true inspiration and had an amazing passion for teaching young children. My dad is a retired statistician. He had a successful career that has taken him to many parts of the world. He has traveled throughout Europe and Asia. As hard as they worked, they still came home with a smile on their faces every day and ensured we had childhood memories filled with laughter and love.

My parents are loving and devoted grandparents. They have spent their retirement teaching their grandchildren and taking time to play with them. The kids absolutely adore them both. They are eager to see what the future holds.



Lewis' Siblings

- * My sister, Jessica, is an accountant. She is married to Korey who owns a shipping logistics company. Together they have four children, Devin, Shae, Rhea, and Kiki. We love spending the holidays and birthdays as a family. Everyone is excited to welcome a new baby cousin.
- * My brother, Stuart, and his wife, Michelle, are a fun loving couple with 3 children. Mason, Scarlet, and Vivian are such a joy to be with and will be great teachers to their cousin. Stuart is a database engineer and Michelle stays at home with the kids. She also has a craft business she runs from home. They are the best aunt and uncle!



Travis' Family



My parents, Cathy and Greg, have been wonderful parents and role models on how to make a marriage last through thick and thin for 43 years. My dad is a retired Marine and law enforcement officer. My dad is the practical person in our family. He is a problem solver and has to make sure things are always running smoothly. Before her passing in 2019, my mom was a retired retail security and store manager. She was fiercely protective of her family and was always there to offer support or provide life lessons. While my mom is sorely missed every day, her presence and memory are part of our everyday lives.

Above all else, they are encouraging parents who were supportive of my dreams and decisions in life and continue to do so today. They love their grandchildren more than anything and are so excited to welcome another child into our family.



Travis' Sibling

My sister, Sally, is my best friend. She is a hair stylist and one of the most creative people I know. Her husband, Daniel, is a physical therapist assistant. They have three beautiful daughters, Brooklyn, Presley, and Adeline. The girls love Florence so much. They play together at family barbecues and birthday parties. The growth of our family has been a true joy to all.



We hope that in reading this....

We hope that in reading this letter and looking at the special times that we have shared that you have some sense of who we are. We would be so blessed to be chosen as adoptive parents. We promise to provide a loving and supportive home, a place to grow, learn, love, and be loved. He or she will be guided to blossom into their own unique person, celebrate their given talents, and pursue what brings them joy. Our home is a place of comfort, where a warm hug will always be waiting.

The things that matter most — unconditional love, encouragement, support, respect and trust — is what our marriage is built on and our family will grow with the same ideals.

We are excited about this new phase in our journey together and look forward to bringing another child into our lives. We are honored to be considered as adoptive parents and we would love the opportunity to meet with you

Warmest Regards,
Travis, Lewis, & Florence

