





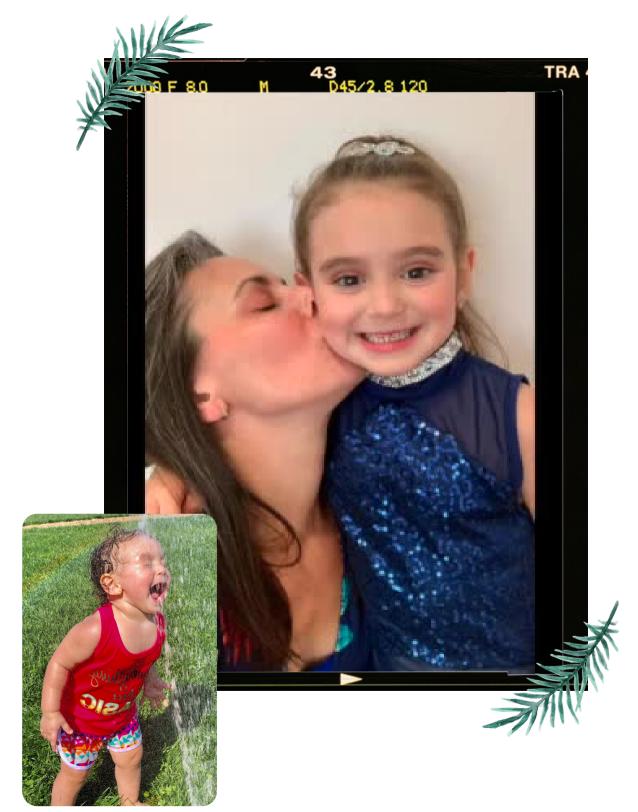
## Amanda

I am a dog & cat veterinarian and partner at two veterinary hospitals. Being an owner allows flexibility with my schedule and the opportunity to be available for my family when needed. I am so thankful I don't have to miss out on important events and can be present at times of need.

I always thought becoming a veterinarian was my life's passion and destiny, turns out, it is just part of my journey. I love being a mom more than anything.







My time out of work revolves around my daughter and spending time with our family. I love to go on day trips- to farms, amusement parks, trips to the city for a Broadway shows, museums, beautiful hikes. We loving hosting holiday and Sunday dinners at our house. I love baking and cooking from scratch, more so now that I have a little helper in the kitchen, even if that means it's a lot messier.



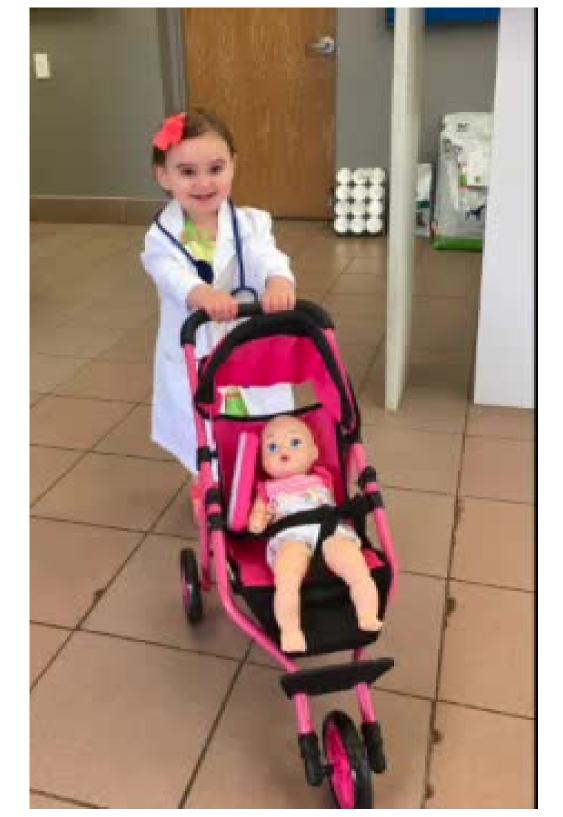


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## Our Pets

We have two goofy dogs, Huey & Wilma, and a sweet oneeyed cat, Stripes. The dogs love belly rubs, walks, and to play tug of war with each other. Stripes is constantly purring and loves to be close to people.







# Our Home

Great school district, single family home with plenty of room. Yard has an in ground pool with an electric cover for extra safety, a full-sized playhouse, and pavilion with an outdoor kitchen and TV with fireplace. Great space for family and friends to play, talk, and eat.

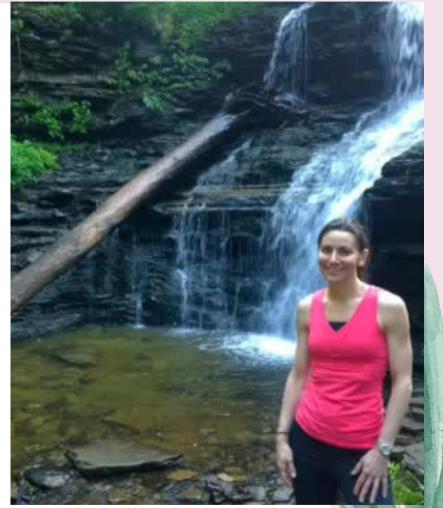




## **Parenting Style**

My parenting style is probably best described as realistic! I firmly believe in gentle parenting and being present during both the good times and the struggles. I am very interested in the emotional and brain development of children and do a lot of reading on it. I always try to understand the root of behaviors and remember where Basha is developmentally.

I never leave her to figure out her feelings on her own or go calm down without me. Being a baby, toddler, kid, teen is hard. There's lots to figure out and I'm there for it all.



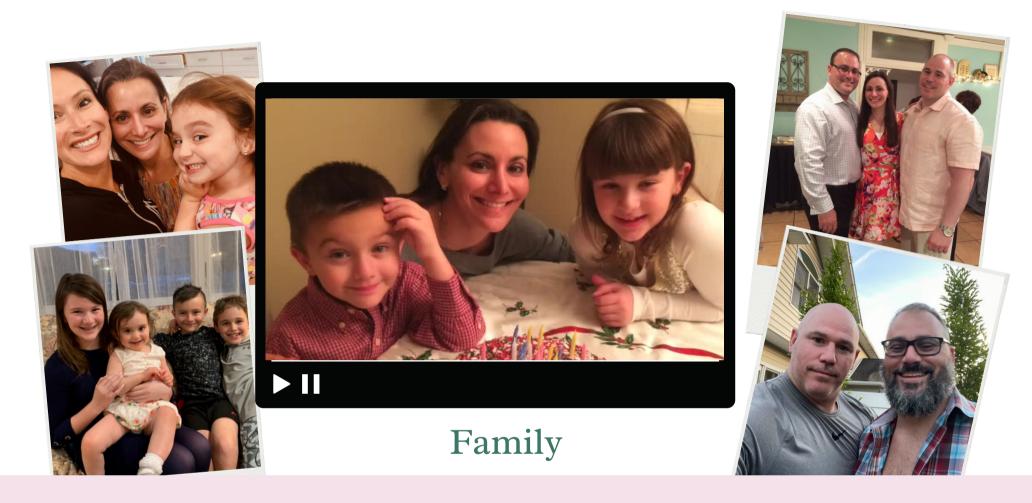
## My Parents



My parents, Steven, and Pamela, have been happily married for 50 years. They are the true definition of love and marriage. I look up to them and can count on them for anything. They have always made their family their top priority and continue to do so to this day. Mv dad, is a retired insurance claim investigator. My mom worked as an educator for 30 years. They are now enjoying retirement and spending time with their grandchildren.



"Pop" is so fun and easy going. He enjoys taking his grandchildren to the park and having jam sessions on his guitar. Baba" loves reading to her grandchildren and taking them shopping for their favorite toys. They are exceptional grandparents and look forward to having more grandchildren one day.



I am so lucky to have my brothers in my life. They are the most fun and treat Basha like one of their own! Our family is so close, and we all live in the same town. We are able to see each other almost every day. whether it is for a quick hello or a trip to the park. We try to get the cousins together as often as we can.

My brother, Danny and his high school sweetheart. Amy, have two children. Gillian. 14 and Gavin 12. We love having barbecues in the summer and celebrating the holidays together.

My brother, Sammy, is so much fun and the kids just adore him. They use him as a jungle gym and are constantly climbing him! He loves taking the kids camping and on fun adventures.

My sister Jennifer has one son. Steven. He is 11 years old and loves all things electronic. Everyone is so excited to welcome a new baby into our family.

#### Dear Expectant Mom,

I appreciate you taking time to look at my life at a glance. I have always wanted to have a family and was lucky enough to welcome by daughter on my own through IUI five years ago. I have a very good lite and a lot of love to share. I know that I can give a child a very happy, special, and full life. My life has been a wonderful journey richly filled with love. family, friends, and happiness. My family and I look forward to welcoming a new: baby into our lives to love and nurture.

It has always been a dream to become a mother and to have a child in my life to love unconditionally. As a result of the wonderful experiences and relationships that I have with the children in my life. I realize that what I want most is to grow my family through adoption.

I hope that in reading this letter, and looking at the special times I have shared, that you have some sense of who I am. I know that if I am fortunate enough to adopt, this baby will be loved beyond compare. I feel that having a child will be the greatest blessing to me in so many ways. Know how much love this child will bring to me as a parent, and to mv family as a grandchild, niece, nephew, cousin, and sibling. I am excited about this new phase in my journey. I am honored to be considered as an adoptive parent and would love the opportunity to meet with you.

Warmest regards, Amanda

