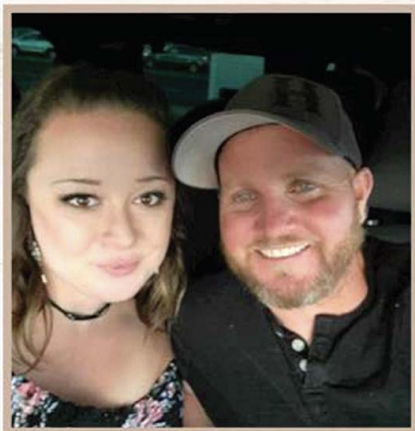
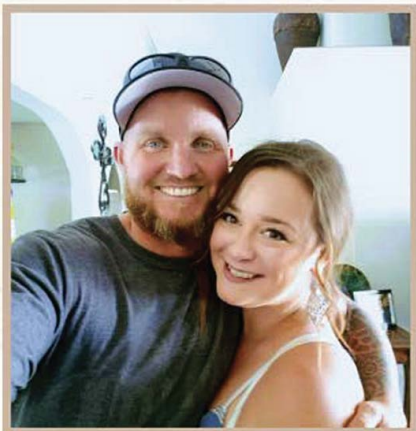




Jason and Amanda



Dear Expectant Parents,

Hello, We are Jason and Amanda and we first want to thank you for taking the time to learn more about us. We are so excited to be adopting and bringing a child into our family! We hope that through learning more about us, it will help you in making your choice. No matter what you choose, we wish you and your child the very best. We hope that through this book, you can see the fun and loving life we can provide for a child. We hope to meet you soon!



about us

HOW WE MET

Jason and Amanda met through Jason's cousin who was Amanda's co-worker at the time. His cousin knew that they would be perfect for each other so when Jason moved back from Hawaii after eight years, she introduced them. From the moment they met, they knew that they had found their person.

A year and a half into the relationship, Jason and Amanda went on a trip up to the redwoods in Northern California for a long weekend. While hiking in the forest, Jason called Amanda's name and when she turned around he was on one knee and proposed to her under the redwoods. Six months later, on January 1st, Amanda and Jason got married in the snowy forest in Nevada with their closest family members and Amanda's step-father officiated the wedding.

Together, they love to go camping in their new travel trailer, travel to new states, go on road trips around California, go fishing, hiking and practice archery. When they aren't out exploring and are at home, they like to take their dogs for walks, play games, practice darts and spend time with their friends and family. They can not wait to share all of their adventures and experiences with a child of their own!



a little about
JASON

Jason grew up in both Sacramento and Reno living with his mom and step-dad. He has a huge family with six siblings and over 20 nieces and nephews. He is a leukemia survivor from childhood and holds the belief of living life to the fullest every day because of this experience. He is fun, outgoing and is always the first one out playing with the nieces and nephews at parties and events. Jason loves to have fun and loves to laugh. He has told Amanda that he will always work to make sure that they have laughter in their home. Jason has a long career in the glass business, he loves his job as an installer and supervisor. Some of Jason's favorite things are the 49ers, cornhole, golfing, camping, hiking, fishing, taking trips, his pets and spending time with both families..



Above: Jason and Amanda's step-dad showing up to dinner wearing the same outfit on their own!



Above: Jason and brothers camping

Below: Jason with his nieces at the fair



Above: Jason playing with a family friend's son when we watched him for the night



a little about **AMANDA**

Amanda grew up in Sacramento and surrounding cities all her life. She is extremely close with her parents and they spend time with them at least every other weekend. Amanda has four siblings and just one niece and one nephew so far. She achieved her Master's degree and is a mental health therapist working with adults, teens and children. Her career affords for her to be able to work around 20 hours a week so she has the ability to be at home most of the time after the adoption. Amanda loves being outdoors and traveling to new places. She spends most of her free time camping with Jason or spending time with friends and family. Some of her other favorite activities are fishing, hiking, playing games, taking their dogs for walks and is newly trying to learn how to knit. Amanda's dream is to be able to share all the love and great experiences her and Jason have together with their child.



Above: Amanda and her parents



Above: Trip with Amanda's parents to Monterey



Below: Amanda with a family friend's daughter



Above: 2022 trip to Maui

OUR *home* AND NEIGHBORHOOD



We have a 3 bedroom, 1 bath home with a very large backyard. It has a pool, separate BBQ area, swings on the porch and plenty of room leftover for a full playground later!

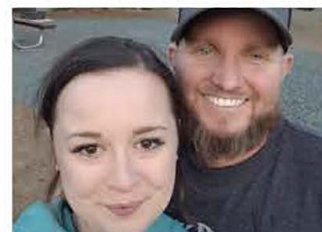
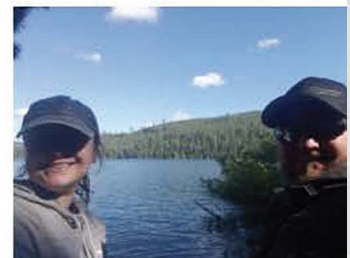
We have the railroad tracks visible from our backyard which the kids in our family love watching when they are here.



We also have six friendly pets that LOVE children and babies!
There are many parks within a short drive that we went to as children and can't wait to share them with our own child.

The Nursery





Adventures

One of our absolute favorite things is to explore and experience new places. We travel as much as we can every year whether it's around our city or far off destinations. Recently we had the opportunity to go to Hawaii, Montana, Monterey, San Francisco and also went camping in many new areas in California's forests.

FAMILY TRADITIONS

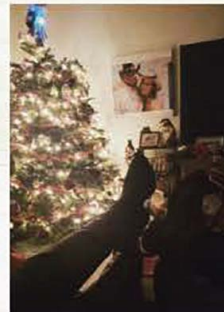


As a family we have many traditions. We look forward to and celebrate them all together. Many of them we have created ourselves, but some have been traditions that our parents did with their parents which makes them extra special and something we hope to pass down to our child.

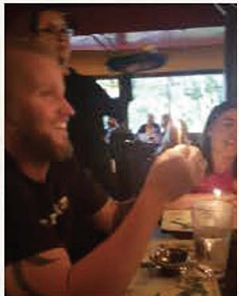
For Christmas and New Years, the family's favorite tradition is renting a cabin for a long weekend away together. Amanda's mom always gifts everyone matching PJs- even the dogs!



Jason and Amanda go all out decorating the house every year. One of the things Amanda and Jason look forward to most is sharing the memories behind all the decorations and also watching her or she open their gifts Christmas morning.



birthdays



Birthdays are a big deal! There is always a birthday dinner with Amanda's family.

Amanda and Jason also celebrate on their own by traveling. Some of the past birthday trips have been Hawaii, Lake Tahoe and Fort Bragg. For a child, we plan to throw big birthday parties with family and friends then take them on a trip they would enjoy. One of Amanda's sisters works at Disneyland so it will likely be a place we will go frequently!



Future Traditions



Easter mornings Amanda and her brother would start the day with searching for their Easter baskets that the Easter Bunny hid for them. There would also be candy hidden around the house to find too. It is one of Amanda's favorite childhood memories that she can't wait to re-create for her own child.

The fall in our area is beautiful. We are fortunate to have Apple Hill within a short drive and love to go up yearly to pick pumpkins, drink apple cider and get fresh apple pie.



Jason's favorite holiday is Thanksgiving. We go to Amanda's family's house on Thanksgiving day, then we host another Thanksgiving at our home for Jason's family the Saturday after. We always make a traditional turkey dinner with all the fixings.



Our promise to you...

We have always dreamed about being parents and having a family of our own. We would love to raise a child and show them how loved they are both by us, as well as the birth family if that is what is wanted. In preparation, we have purchased several children's books explaining adoption and how special it is, which we are eager to include in the rotation for future nightly bedtime stories. We can assure you that we will do everything in our power to help this child excel in life by nurturing their curiosity and goals no matter how big or small.

Thank you for taking the time to read about us and for the opportunity to potentially meet someday.

Sincerely,
Jason and Amanda

