



**CAM & JESS**  
ADOPTION PROFILE BOOK

**DEAR EXPECTANT PARENTS,**

Hello, we are Cameron and Jessica and we want to thank you for taking the time to learn more about our family. We are so excited to adopt a child and to share our life and our love! We hope this book gives you a good feel for who we are.

Please know that we admire your courage and the love you're showing in exploring all your options. We have the utmost respect for you. We wish you peace and strength in the journey ahead. Thank you for considering us.



Cam, Jess,  
Sadie and  
Brooks



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## *about us*

### HOW WE MET AND STARTED OUR LIVES TOGETHER

We first met in the fall of 2006 while attending college in Louisville, Kentucky. Our best friends were dating each other and introduced us before a night out. We connected quickly and our conversations flowed easily. We both remember how comfortable it was to be together.

We had a lot of shared interests like sports, outdoors, traveling, reading, and our faith. We had a lot of fun and grew through four years of college, facing big life decisions together. The more time we spent together, the more we could see our futures together.

After graduation in 2010, Jess moved to Baton Rouge, Louisiana to start her first job at ExxonMobil as an engineer. When Cam's baseball career ended, he also moved to Louisiana. After working for a short time at a paint store, he shifted his career focus to Financial Services.

We enjoyed living in a new place together, meeting new friends, learning about Louisiana traditions, and eating lots of good food.

We got engaged in 2011 and were married in 2012. We bought our first house, and in 2015, our daughter, Sadie was born. Shortly after, we decided to move back home to Kentucky.



## about CAM

Cam grew up on a 60 acre horse farm in Frankfort, Kentucky. He has two younger sisters and his parents have been married for 42 years. He is an Uncle to a 4-year-old niece. All of his family still lives in Frankfort, so we see them all the time. Cam's family is very close, supporting each other, and always having fun together.

Cam loves to golf, grill, read, watch sports, stay active, and hang out with family and friends. His favorite foods include steak, hibachi, and Mexican food.

He graduated high school in 2003 and went on to play baseball at the University of Louisville. After redshirting his first year, he transferred to Bellarmine University, where he was a 4-year starter as a catcher and clean-up hitter. After graduating with a degree in Communications, he had a short stint as a professional baseball player before eventually starting a Financial Services business.

The best part of his work is being able to help families make good decisions for their financial future. The flexibility to work remotely and make his own schedule are also huge perks.

Jess describes Cam as loyal, hard-working and honest. He always makes her laugh and helps her to be the best version of herself.



Cam's youngest sister, Jeri with her husband, Nat and dog, Cheyenne.



Cam's younger sister, Aerine with her daughter, Mara (4).



Aerine, Jamie (Mamie), Doug (Poppy), Cam, and Jeri.



Cam's parents with grandkids, Mara, Sadie, and Brooks.





Brandon, Jess, Audrey, Peter, Maureen, Steph, Amanda, and Joe



Jess' parents with her youngest sister, Audrey



Jess' older sister Amanda's family: daughter, Lydia (14), husband, John, son, Isaac (8), Amanda, daughters, Bridget (12), and Sophie (16)



Jess' younger brother, Joe, daughter, Olivia (1), and wife, Haley



Jess' oldest sister, Steph, son, JT (17), and husband, John



Jess' older brother Brandon with wife, Claire and daughters, Cece (6) and Rosa (4)

## *about* JESS

Jess grew up in Cincinnati, Ohio. She has two brothers and three sisters, born 4th among her six siblings. Her parents are celebrating 50 years of marriage this year! She is an Aunt to two nephews and six nieces with another one on the way. Jessica has unique relationships with each of her siblings, but most importantly, they all show up for each other and always have fun together.

Her favorite time of year is Fall because of the leaves, campfires and cozy weather. She loves the outdoors, and likes to stay active. She is also handy around the house, completing home renovation projects in her free time.

Her favorite foods include pizza, ice cream, chocolate, queso, and mac and cheese. She graduated high school in 2005 and went on to play soccer at the University of Louisville, as a 4-year starter. She graduated with a Master of Engineering degree in Mechanical Engineering.

She now works for a consulting firm in Louisville where she manages a wide range of projects. The best part about her company is the flexibility they offer to work from home and prioritize family life.

Cam describes Jess as committed, consistent, and loving. He believes their friendship and mutual respect for each other are the foundation of their marriage.



## MORE ABOUT OUR FAMILY

As mentioned, Sadie was born in 2015. She was a big, healthy baby and has grown into a smart, kind, and thoughtful 4th grader. She is a natural-born leader, an amazing big sister, and shows us daily what it means to lead with your heart. She is beyond excited to be a big sister again.

In 2018, our son Brooks was born, also healthy until he suddenly stopped breathing at 4 weeks old. He was hospitalized for almost 8 months, during which time he was diagnosed with a very rare genetic condition called SMARD.

Brooks' disease affects his muscles so he can't breathe, walk, sit, or eat on his own. Though his muscles don't work well, his mind is sharp, he loves going to school, and he is a happy kid. He likes to make people laugh and he works hard at all he does. He will be overjoyed and very proud to be a big brother.

Our kids have shifted our perspective on life. They slow us down, and remind us what truly matters. They have taught us to really listen and be present, to live in the moment, to love deeply and to laugh a lot.

They have also shown us that differences should be celebrated and all people have inherent value.





## Why ADOPTION

Being from big, loving families, we always dreamed of having 3-4 kids. We feel our home and hearts have more to give and we are in a position to offer love, stability, and opportunity to a child who needs it.

Now that Brooks' care is stable, we are finally ready to grow our family. If we conceive naturally again, the risk of another SMARD child is 25%. Brooks is amazing and we are so proud of him, but we know we cannot manage another SMARD diagnosis and the odds are not in our favor.

With adoption, we feel like we are on the path God had intended for us, and we are prepared to navigate the challenges and the triumphs as a family.





## Honey

Last fall, we added a mini Aussie-doodle puppy named Honey to our family. She is about 20 pounds, does not shed, and is super cuddly. She is obsessed with her people! She is very tolerant and great with kids.



## WELCOME TO OUR

## House

Our home was built in 2019. We love living in a neighborhood full of kids and going for long walks with beautiful scenery. We are currently renovating our basement to double our home's square footage. Below are some of our main living spaces: Open concept kitchen; backyard view from the screened in porch; living room; dining room; front of our home.



# Louisville, KY

## OUR HOMETOWN



We live in Louisville, Kentucky, the largest city in Kentucky and the 27th largest in the US. Louisville is a very diverse city, most well-known for the Kentucky Derby, which brings a lot of fun events. We have lots of fun museums, parks and sporting events to enjoy year round, from professional baseball and soccer to College football and basketball. We would love to share all the fun things that our city has to offer with your child.



We belong to a country club where Sadie is on the swim team and we can play golf and tennis.



Cam at the Louisville vs. Notre Dame football game with Jess' Dad, brother-in-law, and friend.



We live very close to wonderful parks with walking/biking paths and splash pads.



Jess and Sadie at a Racing Louisville professional Women's soccer game.



Jess and Cam at the Kentucky Oaks race.



Sadie and her cousin, Mara at the Louisville Science Center.

# Adventures

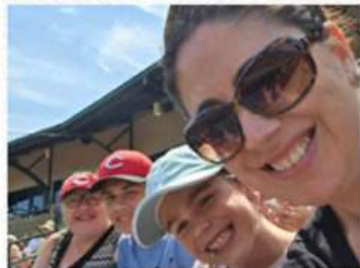
Together we love to see and experience new places, people, and foods! Last year, we got to visit Orange Beach, Alabama for a week. On the next page, you'll see fun with family (Cousin Bridget and Aunt Audrey) at Disney World, a boat ride on Lake Cumberland (Brooks and Uncle Nat), and Jess backpacking in Europe.



# Family Traditions



We have created some fun traditions that our family would love to share with your child. Above is a photo of Jess' family in a suite at a Cincinnati Reds' game. To the right at the bottom is a photo of Jess, Cam's sisters Aerine, and Jeri, Sadie, and Cam's niece Mara on a hike at Lake Cumberland. For the last 4 years, we've enjoyed a weekend at a big farm house on the lake, boating, hiking, and swimming together. To the right at the top is a photo of Cam with two of his college roommates. For the last 3 years, Sadie and Cam have gone to visit his friend who is the head baseball coach at Troy University. It is always good fun to catch up with old friends and their kids.



Above is a photo of a king cake, which we enjoy yearly on Mardi Gras to honor our time living in Louisiana. Above that is a photo of Jess, Sadie, Jess' nephew JT and sister Steph at a Louisville Bats game. We love watching a few Bats' games every summer.

# Holidays

We love to go big for holidays. Below, Mamie (Cam's mom) and Sadie celebrate their shared birthday. Sadie holds sparklers on the 4th of July. Sadie and Brooks wear matching Christmas PJs from Mamie. Sadie sits with her cousins for Thanksgiving dinner at Uncle Brandon's house. Cam's siblings, grandmother, and cousins gather with Sadie and Brooks looking at family photos and playing music on Thanksgiving.



Clockwise from the top left: Grandma helps Sadie and her cousins decorate Christmas cookies. Sadie and Brooks dress up as a vampire and Taylor Swift for Halloween. After opening presents from Santa Christmas morning, we host Christmas with Cam's parents, siblings and Grandma in the afternoon/evening. On Christmas Eve, we travel to Cincinnati and participate in sibling and cousin gift exchanges. Sadie and her cousins spend the night at Grandma's house to celebrate New Year's Eve.

## *Our Promise*

Through life's twists and turns, we have learned to lean into our faith. Please know that we have been praying for you since the moment we decided to begin this journey.

If chosen, we promise your child will always know where they came from — a place of love and bravery. They will grow up understanding your decision was made from the purest hope for their future. You will always be an honored part of their story.

We promise to raise your child with unwavering love, respect, and kindness. We will nurture their spirit, encourage their dreams, and support them through all of life's challenges and triumphs. We will listen deeply, guide gently, and love fiercely.

This child will be cherished every day. We will provide a safe, joyful, and stable home, filled with unconditional love and laughter.

Sincerely,  
Cam & Jess

