



Leanne and Mike

Hello

Hi, we are Michael and Leanne. Thank you for considering us as potential parents for your baby. We deeply respect the loving choice you have made to give your child life. Your decision to consider adoption is incredibly strong and selfless.

We care about you and your well-being, and we want you to feel supported and confident in the choices you are making. We know this is a brave and important journey you're on, and were honored that you're even considering sharing more about your story with us.

We both have cousins who were adopted into our families, and we have personally seen how adoption blesses both the adoptee as well as the adoptive family.

We hope that as you take a look into our life you will be able to see your child being a part of our family.



About Us



We met in college in Ohio and quickly bonded through our competing in cross country and track. The summer of 2010, after we had earned our undergrad degrees, we married and immediately moved into our graduate schooling. Mike is an anesthesiologist and Leanne is a high school chemistry teacher.

After 10 years of a fun, adventure-filled marriage, we were blessed to welcome our daughter in 2020. We had difficulty conceiving her, so we are pursuing adoption to complete our family. We are very grateful to you for helping us to make our dreams of another child come true.



We live an active lifestyle and primarily enjoy outdoor activities as a couple and a family. Some of our favorite ways to enjoy each other's company include boating, biking, golfing, hiking, traveling and playing pickle ball. We also enjoy relaxing while grilling outside, playing with the dog, and making fires to roast marshmallows.

When we are limited by the weather, we keep up our active lifestyle by exercising indoors and having family dance and sing-along nights. We also like playing games, from classics like Candy Land and Uno to darts to Nintendo Switch.



We had always hoped to have several children to share our lives with. While we are so happy to have our daughter, we know that all three of our lives would be better if we could add a child to our family.

Leanne



Leanne is a whirlwind of energy. She is positive and determined in everything she does. Though petite, she doesn't let anyone walk over her!

She enjoys teaching high school chemistry and seeing her students have those ah-ha moments when they make a discovery for the first time.

From the moment Leanne gets home, she rarely sits down. Usually she's in the kitchen baking muffins, making yogurt, or cooking up something delicious for dinner, often with our daughter right by her side.





Leanne loves sharing her favorite activities with our daughter and me, whether lifting weights, singing in the choir (she always brings our daughter along), or baking and cooking together. I mentioned that she's petite, but she's also tough and can tow our boat with her big truck. She also likes gardening and coaching gymnastics. She will take time to read in the moments she is actually holding still.

She is a great mother and enjoys doing lots of different things with our daughter, like going to the playground and on bike outings or taking her to be among the high school gymnasts during practice. Leanne recently switched to parttime at the school to open up more free time for important family moments. Above anything, Leanne loves being a mom, and she has always wanted more children to love.



Mike



Mike never ceases to amaze me with his seemingly endless enthusiasm, energy and talents. His positive outlook makes him a leader among his anesthesia colleagues. He's always willing to take on the more difficult surgical cases, giving colleagues breaks and providing teaching opportunities for medical students. Mike is also a source of encouragement at work by maintaining an upbeat and fun energy, even in the more trying situations.

At home Mike loves to have an activity or project to do. He enjoys playing games or doing activities with our family as well as meeting up with friends. Recently he has taken up pickleball and plays on the neighborhood team.





On his own Mike likes to work on a project or learn a new hobby. He recently completed an extensive kitchen update including painting the cabinets and redoing the backsplash. Also, in recent years he has taught himself how to play the guitar and can play a variety of music for Leanne and Annie to sing along.

Mike is the family leader both in our immediate and extended family. He is usually the one to plan vacations and organize family events. Mike's nurturing and protective nature make him an excellent husband and father. He is always wanting to help Annie practice soccer, gymnastics or tennis as well as play Barbie Dream House with her. As a husband, Mike is always making sure Leanne is taken care of by doing little jobs like cleaning her truck or hemming her pants to fit her short legs!

Annie



Our kindergarten daughter is a joyful bundle of energy. Much like Leanne, Annie rarely sits still and radiates positivity and happiness every day. When the weather keeps her indoors, she's happily helping in the kitchen, practicing gymnastics moves in the living room, or playing school with her Barbies and stuffed animals, turning everyday moments into fun adventures.

On nicer days she loves riding her bike around the cul-de-sac, running through the backyard with our dog and Mike. She loves any opportunity to splash in the water, whether tubing behind the boat, swimming in the lake, or enjoying the neighborhood pool with friends.

She has a wonderful circle of buddies from gymnastics, school, and church choir, and while she's great at independent play, she sometimes wonders aloud why she doesn't have a sibling. She adores gently playing with her baby dolls, younger cousins, and the little brothers and sisters of her friends, showing her natural kindness and nurturing side. Annie will make a great big sister, showing a sibling all the things she has learned in her life thus far and getting into fun sibling mischief.



Our Home & Community



We live in a suburb outside of Atlanta, Georgia. We moved here from Ohio in 2016 and fell in love with the area. We are far enough outside the city to have plenty of green spaces, and close enough to enjoy the benefits of great museums, sports teams, art and other cultural experiences.

In our immediate neighborhood we enjoy having our own garden, and there's a park within walking distance as well as a swimming pool. We like playing pickle ball at the neighborhood courts and spending time at the playground. We can safely ride bikes through the neighborhood streets and go for walks. On most days there are a bunch of kids playing in front yards or in our cul-de-sac.

One of our favorite activities to do as a family and with friends is to go boating. We have our own boat which we take to a lake less than a half hour away. We have made so many fun memories tubing, wakeboarding, wake surfing, or just splashing around in the water.



Our community has some of the top public and private schools in the state. Students also have access to sports and the arts. We have public libraries nearby where Annie and Leanne often go for story time and to check out new books. The parks in the area offer year-round recreational sports for all ages as well as trails and playgrounds.

Our community has a plethora of churches. We are members of a Christian faith community where Leanne sings in the adult choir and Annie and Leanne both participate in the children's programs, including choir and Vacation Bible School.

The area where we live is an ideal place for our family, and we would be excited and honored to welcome another child into this wonderful environment.



We are an animal family. When we first got married, we had a cat whom we loved. After purchasing a house in Ohio, we got our first dog, Petey, whom we loved like a child. Sometimes we joke that he was our first kid. After Annie was born, Petey was instantly Annie's friend and protector. Sadly, Petey was sick and did not live a long life.

Our Dog Xena



The house was too quiet until we found Xena. She is our doggie daughter. Xena is a playful dog with lots of energy to run and play fetch in the back yard. She loves Annie and is always giving her kisses, letting Annie dress her and even train her on the leash. Though protective, Xena falls in love with nearly every human she meets, especially kids. Not only would we love to have another child in the house, but we know Xena will be a safe and lovable companion to your child.



Our Family





Since neither of us is originally from Georgia, our extended families live mostly out of state. Regardless, we are able to keep a close bond with our extended family through visits over the holidays and shared vacations. Most years we host our families for both Thanksgiving and Christmas and enjoy the traditions of cooking, going boating and playing racquet sports (if weather allows).

One of our favorite traditions with extended family is the yearly lake house trip where we all bring our boats to a mountain lake and spend time on the water swimming, wakeboarding and picnicking. Over the years we have done several other vacations with our families that live far away, and these shared memories bring the three of us closer to one another and to those we love. They will all be so excited to welcome another child into the family through adoption.



Friends





We have an extensive network of family friends in Georgia, most of whom also have children. These are the people who we boat with in the summers and play games with in the winters. We often meet friends to play at Top Golf or go bowling or just have dinner together. These friends are the people we count on day to day to enrich all of our lives and share experiences.

Travel





One of our family's favorite things to do is travel. We take several trips each year and they all involve unique experiences. Over the last couple of years we have gone on a Cruise in the Mediterranean and saw an active volcano, gone skiing in North Carolina, mountain biking in the desert of Arizona, swimming in the ocean in Florida, hiking in California, and even meeting Minnie Mouse at Disneyland. These trips allow us to make lasting family memories, experience new places and become closer to one another. We hope to continue sharing these experiences with another child in the future.



Daily Life

Our family loves to work hard and play hard. No matter what the season and where we are, we enjoy spending time together. We love to go boating, swim at the neighborhood pool, run around the yard, work on our garden, camp in the backyard and work on projects together. We hope you enjoyed this glimpse into our lives.







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