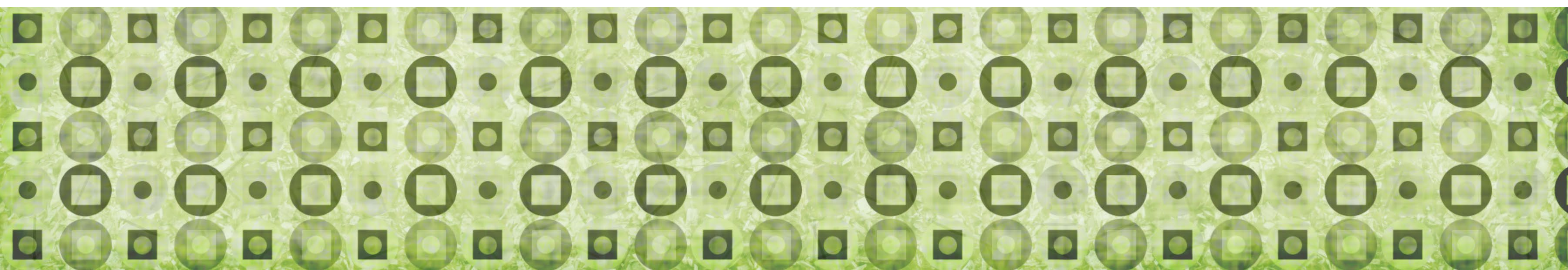




CONNOR & GABBY





Hello! We are Connor and Gabby. It's difficult to find the right words to express how much respect we have for you and the journey you are on. We recognize that considering adoption is an incredibly personal decision, one made with tremendous love, strength, and courage. While we cannot fully understand what this experience is like for you, we want you to know that we are deeply grateful that you are taking the time to learn about our family.

If you choose us, your child will always know that their story began with love. We believe adoption is built on love, compassion, and hope, and we are committed to speaking about your role with honesty, respect, and gratitude throughout their life.

Our greatest hope is to provide a home where your child feels safe, cherished, encouraged, and free to become exactly who they are meant to be. We will celebrate their individuality, support their dreams, and never lose sight of the incredible trust you have placed in us.

VALUES THAT WE WILL TEACH OUR CHILD

- **KINDNESS-** We will teach them to treat others with compassion and empathy.
- **CURIOSITY-** We will teach them to ask questions and never stop learning.
- **INTEGRITY-** We want them to take responsibility for their actions and to do the right thing- even when it's difficult.
- **GRATITUDE-** We hope they appreciate every milestone, every learning and recognize the beautiful journey of life.
- **LOVE & ACCEPTANCE-** Above all, we want them to know how deeply loved they are for exactly who they are and who they will become.

HOW WE MET

told by Connor

We met in June of 2017. We met at work through a professional healthcare development program. We were both fortunate enough to have been selected for a class of 12 out of 1800+ qualified applicants! What started as a beautiful friendship for close to 4 years turned out to be the foundation for our eventual relationship, and the rest is history!

What attracted me to Gabby was her heart. Gabby is the most caring, thoughtful and empathetic person I know. She looks out for the others around her and passionately protects, supports and encourages those she loves.



WHY ADOPTION.....:

We have discussed adoption since we first started dating. We think of adoption as such a beautiful gift and have decided that's how we want to build our family. We do not plan to become pregnant and are currently preventing pregnancy and only intend to become parents through adoption. Both of our families are supportive of our plans to grow our family through adoption and are very excited to welcome any child into the family.

FACTS ABOUT ME

Occupation: Pharmaceutical Executive

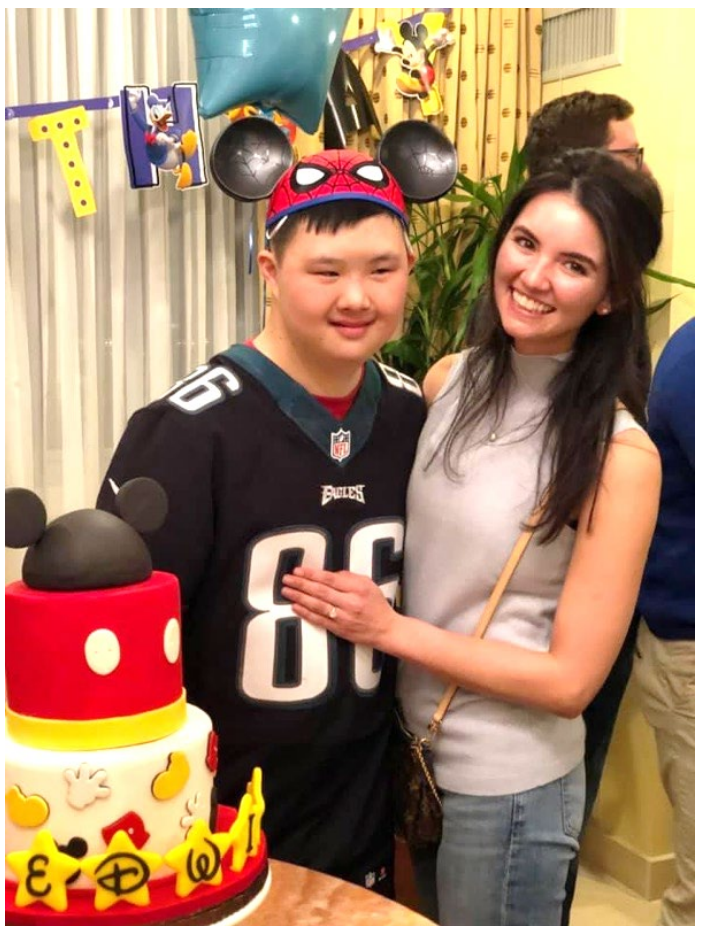
Degree: Bachelor of Science

Siblings: Two younger sisters & one younger brother

Silly Obsession: I love dogs and know every single dog breed, characteristic, behavior, etc.

Hobbies/Interests: Cooking, walking outside with my dog, Pilates, and reading.

Personality: Compassionate, Empathetic, Consistent, Considerate, Intentional



Gabby & her best friend



Pilates class with friends



Gabby and her colleagues

MEET GABBY



Food: Pasta

Color: Blue

Season: Spring

Vacation: Abroad

Candy: Jelly Beans

Day of the week: Saturday

Snack: Ruffles Cheddar & Sour Cream

SOME of MY FAVORITES THINGS

Ice Cream: Orange Sherbert

Movie: Royal Tenenbaums

Dessert: White cream filled donut

Exercise: Pilates, Walking

Time of Day: Morning

Holiday: Christmas

Sport: Fishing

5 RANDOM FACTS ABOUT ME

- 1-** I started a kindness club in high school and college.
- 2-** I love talking to animals on my walks and like to think we share a peaceful connection.
- 3-** I was born on Christmas Day! My parents were expecting a boy, so my arrival as a girl meant an unexpected last-minute name change.
- 4-** I am silly! I make up songs for my dogs and have been known to dance on our walks when my favorite songs come on.
- 5-** I am naturally introverted, but once I'm comfortable, my goofy and energetic side comes out! I'm a quality-over-quantity person who loves my friends and family deeply.

FACTS ABOUT ME

Occupation: Pharmaceutical Executive

Degree: Master of Science; Bachelor of Science

Siblings: Identical twin brother, one younger sister

Silly Obsession: Healthcare, I'm a healthcare nerd.
I am also OBSESSED with golf!

Hobbies/Interests: Sports, cooking, and chess!

Personality: Kind, Caring, Curious, Competitive

MEET CONNOR



Decorating for fall



Playing chess



**Cooking with
Gabby's sister**

Color: Blue

Season: Fall

Snack: Peanuts

Vacation: The beach

Food: Beef Wellington

Dessert: Chocolate Cake

Candy: Peanut butter cups

SOME of MY FAVORITES THINGS

Day of the week: Monday

Movie: Good Will Hunting

Time of Day: Morning

Holiday: Thanksgiving

Ice Cream: Thin Mint

Exercise: Peloton

Sport: Golf

5 RANDOM FACTS ABOUT ME

- 1-** I'm an aspiring amateur golfer.
- 2-** I still get excited like a kid on holidays!
- 3-** I love trying new restaurants, recipes and cuisines.
- 4-** My favorite job I have ever had was being a hospital greeter.
- 5-** I'm surprisingly competitive when it comes to games...in a good way 😊



THINGS WE LOVE TO DO TOGETHER

- ✓ COOKING
- ✓ FISHING
- ✓ WALKING OUR DOG
- ✓ GOING TO THE BEACH
- ✓ PLAYING BOARD GAMES
- ✓ SPENDING TIME WITH FAMILY

Our favorite things to do together as a couple are to just be together. Some of our best moments are the everyday ones—taking a walk after work with our wheaten terrier, playing games, cooking something new, or spending time with our families.

We genuinely enjoy each other's company and, no matter what we are doing, we are the happiest together.



Connor talks about **GABBY**

Gabby is compassionate, nurturing, and deeply devoted to the people she loves. She is the person who remembers the little details, checks in when someone is having a difficult time, and makes others feel welcomed and valued. I love how children, adults, and even animals are naturally drawn to her. She may be quiet at first, but her calming presence and genuine kindness make people feel safe and comfortable around her.

Gabby has a strong sense of empathy and is someone who advocates for what is right, even when it means going against the crowd.

She is incredibly caring, thoughtful, and intentional in the way she shows up for others. I know she will be an amazing parent because of the endless love, patience, and support she will give our child. I cannot wait to watch her embrace the journey of motherhood.



Gabby talks about **CONNOR**

Connor is kind, selfless, and thoughtful. I admire the way he shows up for his family, friends, colleagues, and even strangers, always willing to lend a helping hand without expecting anything in return. His gentle nature, genuine empathy, and sense of humor make people feel comfortable and cared for. I love the way his face lights up when he is excited and how he brings joy to those around him.

Connor is patient, emotionally intelligent, and approaches life with compassion and understanding. He is the first person I want to share good news with, lean on during difficult moments, or turn to when solving a challenge.

He has so much love to give a child and is surrounded by a close-knit family and friends who will support us throughout our parenting journey. Connor is intentional about creating meaningful memories and building a life filled with love, laughter, and connection.

TOP 5 THINGS WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO AS PARENTS

- ❖ Creating family traditions
- ❖ Sharing a lifetime of love
- ❖ Watching our child discover new things
- ❖ Helping our child grow into the person they are
- ❖ Sharing life's moments as a family, creating lasting memories, and making everyday moments magical

WHERE WE LIVE



We recently moved into a new carriage home that is in the heart of a cute suburban town in Pennsylvania. One of the things we love most is how family friendly our community is. There are beautiful parks and playgrounds, miles of walking trails, and open spaces to explore. We live in town, so often we enjoy sitting out on our front porch watching the holiday Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, St. Patrick's Day, Memorial Day and 4th of July parades!

We live within an hour of New York City and 45 minutes to Philadelphia! The world is our oyster when it comes to options for activities. Some local attractions include: the Franklin Institute, Philadelphia Zoo, Camden Aquarium, The Please Touch Museum, Academy of Natural Sciences, Hershey Park, Six Flags, and Dorney Park.

MEET OUR DOG

We have one Wheaten Terrier named Tokyo (Toki). He's really smart, cuddly, and sometimes a touch on the lazy side when it comes to walking. His favorite activities are shopping (he'll cry and bark if you're even in the vicinity of his favorite store), chasing squirrels, and finding used baseballs on the baseball fields near our house.



OUR FAMILIES

GABBY'S family

I am the oldest of 4 children. Growing up, I have always been close with my sister who is two years younger than me. Because my mother suffered from an undiagnosed mental illness for many years, my sister and I took more of a parental role with our 2 younger siblings. Although we took on big tasks at a young age, that didn't stop us from having a great childhood. We went on vacations often and visited Disney world at least once a year! To this day, my siblings and I are incredibly close. My parents were married for 20 years before my dad passed away.

We were very close with both sides of the family growing up. I would see my cousins' multiple times a month and my grandparents sometimes weekly! I loved growing up with a big extended family!

CONNOR'S family

My childhood relationship with my siblings was a tale of two stories. I have an identical twin brother who was my best friend growing up and still is to this day. My younger sister is 10 years younger than me, who I feel extremely protective over, and love to tease endlessly. My parents have been married for 35 years and are the most loving, devoted parents to me and my siblings.

I have large extended family, too. My family and my wife's family are my favorite people to spend time around. I love the memories we have made and continue to make with one another.



Gabby & her sisters



Gabby's mom



Connor's immediate family



Connor, his identical twin brother, their best friends, and all of their kids

OUR PARENTING PHILOSOPHY

Our philosophy on raising children is to help them discover who they are while providing the love, encouragement, and support they need to become the very best version of themselves. We want to create a home where they feel safe to explore their interests, ask questions, try new things, and grow with confidence. Whatever their passions may be, we will be their biggest supporters—celebrating their successes, helping them through challenges, and reminding them they are loved unconditionally every step of the way..

We both love learning and enjoy discovering new places, skills, and experiences. We hope to share that curiosity with our child by reading together, traveling, exploring nature, trying new activities, and encouraging them to see the world with an open mind. Our greatest hope is to raise a kind, compassionate, and confident person who knows they are deeply loved and supported throughout every stage of life.



Loving on our nephew



Gabby & her godson

WE PROMISE THAT OUR CHILD WILL ...

- **Always feel loved**
- **Be supported and cared for**
- **Be celebrated for who they are**
- **Be encouraged to pursue their dreams**
- **Appreciate others and have perspective learning about the world**

THANK YOU

Thank you for taking the time to learn about our family and the life we hope to share with a child. We know this may be one of the most emotional and difficult seasons of your life, and we sincerely hope you are surrounded by people who care for and support you.

If our paths come together, we promise to fill your child's life with love, laughter, encouragement, and countless opportunities to learn and grow. We'll create traditions they'll look forward to, celebrate life's big milestones and everyday moments, and embrace adventures that help them discover the world and appreciate the people and cultures within it.

Most importantly, we promise to be steady, present parents who love your child unconditionally through every stage of life. They will always be surrounded by a family and community that believes in them, supports them, and celebrates who they are.

Thank you for considering our family. Wherever your journey leads, we wish you peace, strength, and hope for the future.

Sincerely,
Connor & Gabby

