Josh & Joe



Joe (left) and Josh (right)















At a ballgame together



Our wedding day



A Christmas market in Germany

Dear Birth Parent,

Thank you for taking the time to consider us as adoptive parents for your child. We know this is a very hard decision. Our hope is that this profile, and our time together, will help you get to know us better. If you choose us, we want you to feel that your story is honored and the love you have shown in this decision is always respected.

We are Josh and Joe. We have been together for six years and were married in the fall of 2025. From our very first talks, we knew we wanted to be dads, and adoption was always the path we hoped to take. Now that we have reached this step, we are more excited than ever to grow our family.

Our life is full of family, friends, game nights, and shared meals. We have 16 nieces and nephews who keep us busy and teach us something new every visit. We can't wait to share that love with a child of our own.

We can't promise to be perfect parents (no one can). But we promise to give your child a safe, loving home where they can grow up confident and free to be who they are. We also promise your child will know your story, and that it will always be told with love and respect.

We hope these pages help you get to know us better.

Josh & Joe

HOW IT ALL BEGAN

Our Story

Finding each other

We first matched in 2021, while Josh was on a layover flying home to see his family. At the time, Josh was living in the Dominican Republic and Joe had just moved to Utah. After a few hours of messaging, we had our first phone call, and we haven't stopped talking since!

For the first two years, Joe was living in Utah and Josh was living in the Dominican Republic. We got to know each other through text messages, online games (we love a good game!), and countless hours on FaceTime. We traveled to see each other as often as we could, and after the first few months we never went more than three weeks apart. Along the way, we met each other's friends and family.

One gift of dating long distance is that it pushed us to have big talks early. Not long after we started dating, we both shared our hope to one day get married and start a family through adoption. Soon, we knew we had found that someone in each other!

Building a life together

In time, we moved in together and began building our life. In the fall of 2024, we got engaged while enjoying the fall colors in the mountains and marked the day with a big dinner surrounded by some of our closest friends.

We were married in the fall of 2025, surrounded by family and friends. It was a day full of emotion, food, dancing, and excitement for our future family. One favorite moment: right after we said "I do," during photos, we looked down at cocktail hour and saw all of the people we love most together in one place.

In our marriage, we have only grown more committed to one another, and we are excited for the next chapter of our family's story.

2021	2021–2023	2024	2025
WE MET	LONG DISTANCE	ENGAGED	MARRIED



Our first dance



Our engagement day!



Lazy days together



Walking to dinner



Cheering on our hockey team



An outdoor concert in the mountains



Josh in Switzerland

WRITTEN BY JOE

Meet Josh

Josh is upbeat, curious, and funny. He knows exactly who he is, and he is the first to stand up for anyone who isn't being treated fairly.

At every family party, Josh is the first adult on the floor or out in the yard playing with the kids. Our nieces and nephews adore him. He can turn any chore into a game with music, jokes, or a little friendly contest.

My family is the most important thing in my life, and it brings me so much joy to have a partner who values family and treats mine with so much love and respect. People have asked me when I knew Josh was "the one." There wasn't a single moment, but seeing how much he cares for my mom, and how much our nieces and nephews love him (and he loves them), is a constant reminder of what a good man he is.

I often joke that the most annoying thing about Josh is that he is good at everything! Anything he tries, he becomes an expert at. Some of that is natural talent, but mostly it comes from his commitment to learning, growing, and doing everything he sets out to do at a high level.

JOSH AT A GLANCE

- **Work:** Sport Scientist, professional baseball
- **Grew up:** On a few acres in the country with all kinds of animals, and summers full of forts, sports, and camping
- **School:** Two college degrees, plus a master's degree earned in Australia
- **Languages:** English and Spanish
- **Has lived in:** Spain, Australia, and the Dominican Republic
- **Hobbies:** Volleyball, pickleball, tennis, soccer, cooking/baking, taking photos, arts and crafts, games of all kinds, traveling
- **Best dad trait:** Josh will be the dad who always shows up and makes our kids feel important, because what matters to them will always matter to him.

WRITTEN BY JOSH

Meet Joe



Joe exploring Puerto Rico

Joe is inviting, loyal, and deeply family-focused. One of the things I love the most about him is how easily he makes people feel included and heard. He is the one planning the next get-together and making sure everyone feels welcome and has a place at the table.

Joe was raised by a single mom, and he credits her with making him the man he is today. She taught him the importance of showing up for the people he loves and putting them first. Those values are at the heart of how he lives and the kind of father he hopes to one day be.

Joe is a twin, the youngest of four, and an uncle to 16 nieces and nephews. He has spent his whole life surrounded by kids, from holding newborns to helping care for his nieces and nephews as they grow up. He cannot wait to bring that same love and attention to being a dad.

JOE AT A GLANCE

- **Work:** Owns his own consulting firm
- **School:** College degree in philosophy
- **Loves:** Snowboarding, working out, pickleball, reading, and bringing people together
- **Gives back:** Joe is generous with his time and resources. Whether someone needs practical help, a kind word, or just a listening ear, he makes an effort to be there.
- **Fun fact:** Despite being red-green color-blind, he is obsessed with Christmas and turns our home into a wonderland every year.
- **Best dad trait:** Joe will be the dad who makes sure our child always feels heard, turns holidays into treasured traditions, and reminds them through both his words and actions that they can come to him with anything.



Coffee shop treats



Beach day naps



Holiday lights



Newborn snuggles



Fall fun with the kids



Couch giggles



Thanksgiving crafts



Arcade racing



Afternoon cuddles

In Their Words — FROM THE PEOPLE WHO KNOW US BEST

"Josh makes me ham, and Joe sends me little cakes."

NIECE, 3

"Josh makes the best chocolate blueberries, and Joe Joe makes me laugh."

FRIEND'S DAUGHTER, 4

"Watching Prep & Landing with them is my favorite part of Christmas."

FRIEND'S SON, 8

"Uncle Joe is just so nice, and so is Uncle Josh. They always play with me, even when the other adults are busy."

NIECE, 7

"They are super kind, loving, and helpful when you need them. Joe Joe has always made me feel so supported and loved. He is always there when you need him, and I love him so much."

JOE'S GODSON, 11

"Joe and Josh are selfless. They put others first and make everyone around them feel loved and protected."

NEPHEW, 27

"If you spend five minutes with Joe and Josh, it is clear that family has always been and continues to be a priority. With 16 nieces and nephews, they have always shown patience, care, and joy, without making any child feel less important than another. Whether it is movie night, a new game, or baking cookies, bringing family together is always a priority when they're around. There is no doubt in my mind that any child would feel the same love they have so consistently shown their family."

NIECE, 25



Christmas as a family at the beach

OUR FIRST CHOICE

Why Adoption

Adoption is something we have talked about since our earliest dates.

Adoption is already a big part of both our families. Josh's dad, aunt, and grandfather were all adopted as infants, and adoption was always talked about openly and with joy in his home. In Joe's family, adoption has been felt from both sides: he has two cousins who were adopted, and a family member who placed a baby for adoption.

We know adoption begins with loss as well as love, and we never take that lightly. We feel honored that you would consider us.



Josh and his dad on the water



Josh with his mom and dad



Josh and his mom in D.C.



Us with future grandparents!



An evening with Josh's parents

YOUR CHILD'S PEOPLE

Our Family & Village

Your child will be surrounded by family who already love them.

Grandparents: Joe's mom is caring, calm, and the heart of the family. She is already "Mawmaw" to at least 16 grandkids and can't wait for another one to spoil. Josh's parents have been married for over 40 years and are loving, fun, and caring, and they can't wait to be grandparents.

Aunts and uncles: Joe has two sisters, including his twin, and an older brother. Between them, our child will have at least 16 cousins on Joe's side alone, all excited to welcome a new one.

Friends: We are lucky to have many friends with kids of their own who can't wait to be part of our family's next adventure!

Strong women: As two hopeful dads, we know how important it is for our child to have strong women in their life. They will grow up with loving grandmas, aunts, cousins, and close friends who are already part of our everyday life.



Some of our family on our wedding day

WHERE YOU'LL FIND US

Our Home

We live in a friendly, walkable neighborhood in a Utah city. Our neighborhood is full of parks, schools, a library, and plenty of things for kids to do. Our building hosts many events, and that has allowed us to get to know our neighbors.

Our current home has two bedrooms, and the second bedroom will be our child's first room. Our building has a rooftop pool, a sports court, and plenty of outdoor space to play.

As our family grows, we plan to find a bigger house with a yard where new memories can be made.

In addition to our Utah home, we own a home in Indiana. Joe's mom currently lives in that home, and it is where we spend a lot of time visiting in the summer and for Christmas.



Our home in Indiana with Joe's mom



Astronauts for our community Halloween party



We (and our friends) love that we live so close to the mountains!

A DAY IN OUR HOME

Life With Us

Right now, our typical day starts with breakfast together before work and usually includes a workout of some kind and sharing house chores. In the evening, we cook dinner together (Josh cooks while Joe gets in his way trying to clean as he goes). Most nights end with a walk around our neighborhood and an episode of one of our favorite shows.

During the week, we try to find time to meet friends for pickleball, a game night, or a trip to the park or zoo with friends who have kids. On weekends, we like to hike, snowboard in the winter, or have friends over for a home-cooked meal and game night.

When we take time away from work, we love to travel, spend time with Josh's parents in their hometown or at their lake house, visit Joe's family in his hometown, or take trips with friends and family.

We are looking forward to a major disruption to our routine once our family grows. We hope our days fill up with diaper changes, walks, park visits, games, and lots of story time with our future child.

Getting ready for you

TIME OFF
We both have substantial paternity leave.

DADS AT HOME
We both work from home, so a dad is close by nearly every day.

FAMILY HELP
Joe's mom and Josh's parents are committed to helping.

STEADY CARE
If needed, we would hire a nanny so care stays consistent.

SAFETY FIRST
We have renewed our CPR training.

HOME PREP
We have started baby proofing our home.



Protein style, please



Pickleball with friends



Game day with Josh's parents



Card night at home

WHAT WE CELEBRATE

Traditions

Christmas is Joe's favorite time of year. We decorate our home for Christmas and spend time celebrating with friends before going to Indiana. We look forward every year to spending Christmas week with Joe's siblings, their families, and his extended family.

Thanksgiving is Josh's favorite holiday, and the day is full of family games and friendly rivalry.

Giving back: Each year we buy and wrap gifts for about 30 kids through a holiday charity. We can't wait to have our child help us shop and take the time to give back to others.

Hosting: Dinner parties, pool days, game nights, and big games on TV. Our door is always open.

Summers with family: Our springs and summers are always filled with family events, birthdays, and time together. We cherish weekends with family in Joe's hometown and look forward to our yearly summer trip to Lake Tahoe with Josh's family.



Christmas at the Zoo with Family!



Summer visits to Lake Tahoe



Thanksgiving in Nevada

WHAT GROUNDS US

Faith & Values

Joe is Catholic and attends Mass each week. Josh grew up in a Christian home where church and service were part of daily life. Faith helps keep us grounded and grateful.

We both see faith as something each person should come to on their own, well informed and in their own time. Passing on tradition and values is important to us, but we want our kids to be free to discover and understand their own faith as they grow.

VALUES WE HOPE TO PASS ON

Love of family, kindness, hard work, giving back, and treating everyone with respect.



Our niece's baptism



Joe walking his sister down the aisle



Pool days with family



Lending a hand



Christmas at home

OUR ADVENTURES

The Americas...



CANADA



WASHINGTON



INDIANA



NEW HAMPSHIRE



NEVADA





NEW YORK



CALIFORNIA



WASHINGTON D.C.



ARIZONA



NORTH CAROLINA



TEXAS



COSTA RICA



CHILE



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

OUR ADVENTURES

...and beyond!

Can't wait to explore and make more memories with our kids!



BELGIUM



SWITZERLAND



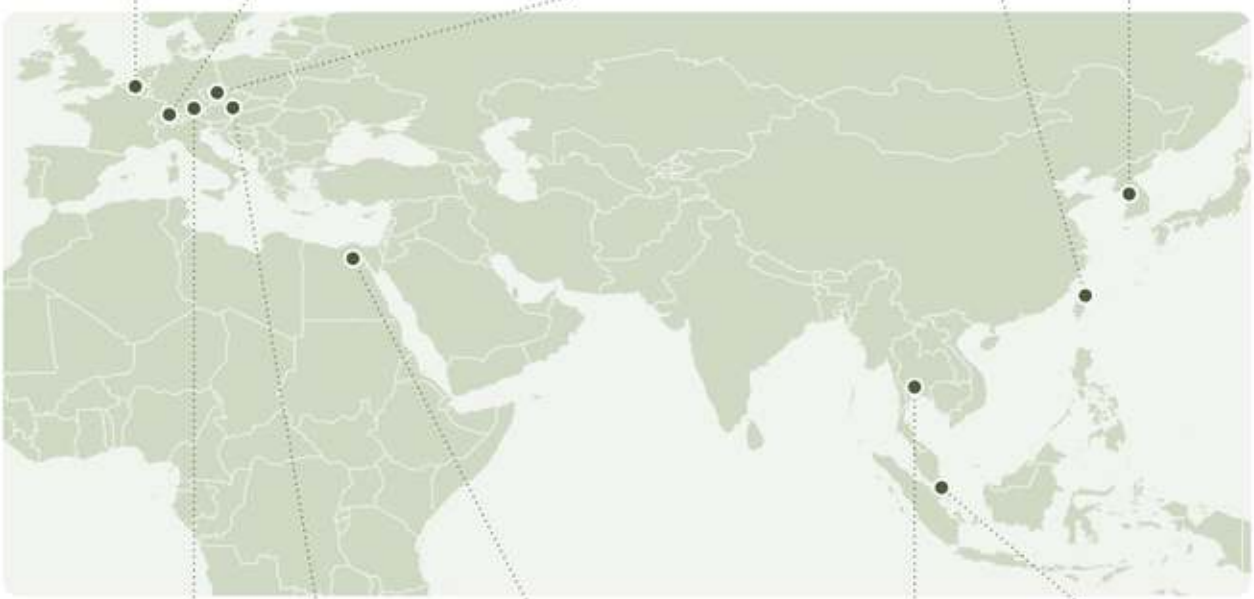
CZECH REPUBLIC



TAIWAN



SOUTH KOREA





GERMANY



AUSTRIA



EGYPT



THAILAND



SINGAPORE

FROM BOTH OF US

Our Promises to Your Child

- We will love them fully and forever, as our child in every way.
- We will tell them your story from the start, with honesty and respect.
- We will celebrate their heritage and do our best to keep them connected to it.
- We will teach them English and Spanish (Josh is a fluent, near-native speaker).
- We will guide them with patience. No yelling or spanking, just clear rules and lots of talks.
- We will cheer for whatever they love.
- We will always put family first.



Joe dancing with his mom



Christmas with family



Josh with his parents



Family walk with nephew



Christmas morning surprises



Playing with nephew

HONESTY FROM DAY ONE

Your Child's Story

Adoption will never be a secret in our home. Josh's dad has known he was adopted for as long as he can remember, and we want our child to grow up the same way.

We will share your story in ways that fit their age. Our child will always be free to ask questions, share big feelings, and have space to love both their families.

STAYING IN TOUCH

We would love to stay connected in whatever way feels right to you. Whether you'd like letters and photos, visits, or anything from a closed to a fully open adoption, we will work with you on a contact plan that feels safe and right for you and your child.

No matter what you choose, we will always speak about you with love and respect.



The two of us



Playtime



Shoulder rides



Nap time



Newborn cuddles

JOSH, JOE, AND BOTH OF US

Fun Favorites



Josh

FOOD	Soft pretzels, burgers, cheese
DESSERT	Beignets
HOBBIES	Sports, cooking and baking, taking photos
SPORT	Volleyball to play, everything to watch
HOLIDAY	Thanksgiving
MOVIE	Interstellar
TV SHOW	Parks & Rec
MUSIC	Miranda Lambert
DANCE SONG	Boot Scootin' Boogie
BOOK	Peer-reviewed research
GAME	Dominoes
DREAM TRIP	African safari



Joe

FOOD	BBQ, Thai food, burritos
DESSERT	Donuts
HOBBIES	Snowboarding, reading
SPORT	Pickleball to play, basketball to watch
HOLIDAY	Christmas
MOVIE	Hitch (a happy ending!)
TV SHOW	Abbott Elementary
MUSIC	The National Parks
DANCE SONG	A short one! I'm not a great dancer.
BOOK	History books
GAME	Swoop
DREAM TRIP	Antarctica

THINGS WE AGREE ON

Snowboarding · Pickleball · Dogs · Country music · Ice cream · Steak night at home · Hosting · "Lover" by The National Parks · *And so much more*

> CAN'T WAIT TO SHARE WITH OUR CHILD
>
> *A love of reading, family meals and game nights, first snowboarding lessons, Christmas week in Indiana, and summer trips to Lake Tahoe.*

Thank You

We tried to share as much as we could about us, our family, our friends, our traditions, and our hopes for the future, but we know so much more goes into this decision. If there is anything we didn't cover, we would love the chance to answer your questions.

Thank you for reading our story and letting us share a bit of our life with you.

Whatever path you choose, we hope you feel supported and at peace.

If you choose us, we promise to love your child with everything we have and to honor you always.

Warmly,

Josh & Joe

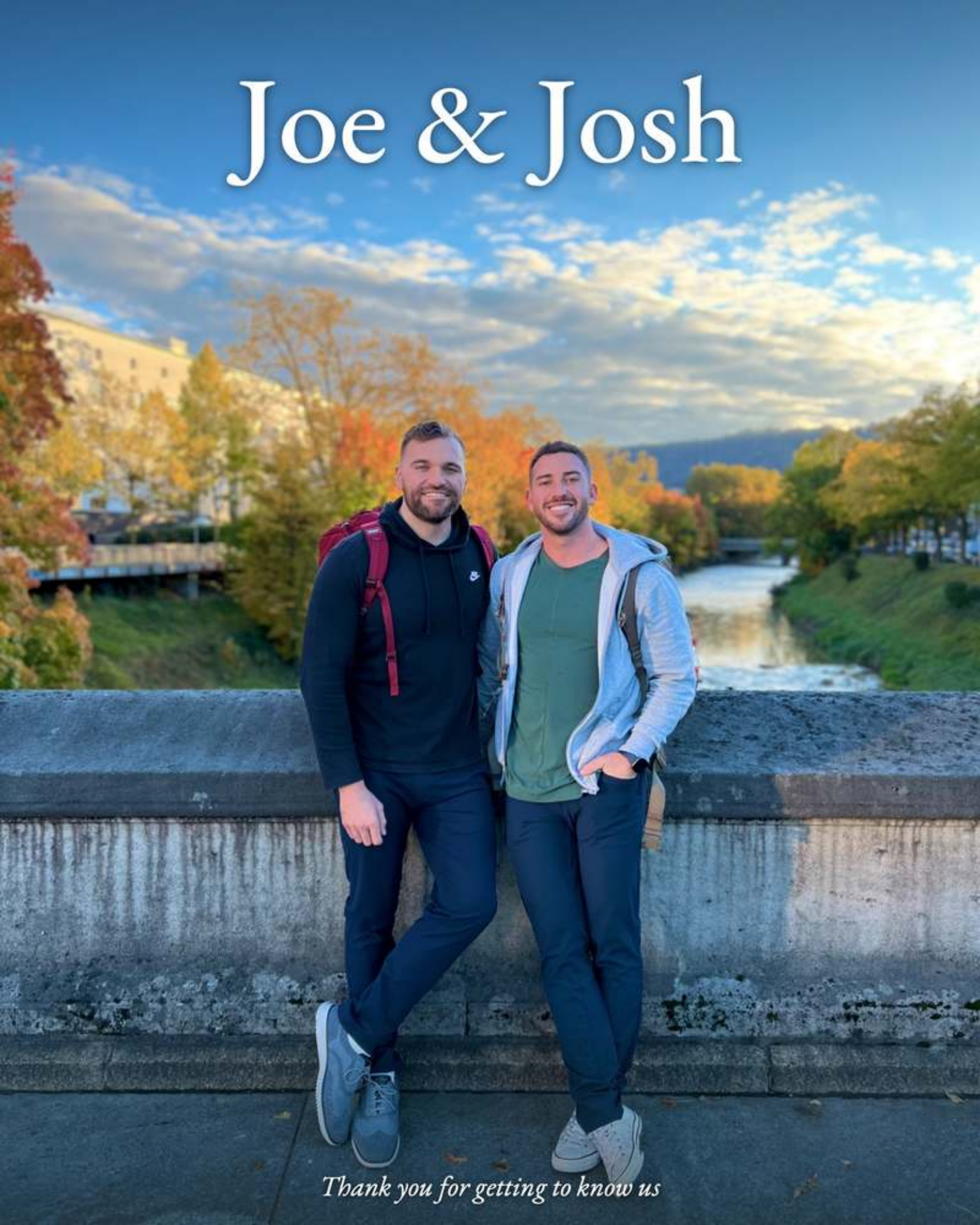


Exploring a mountain town



Laughing on our wedding day

Joe & Josh



Thank you for getting to know us