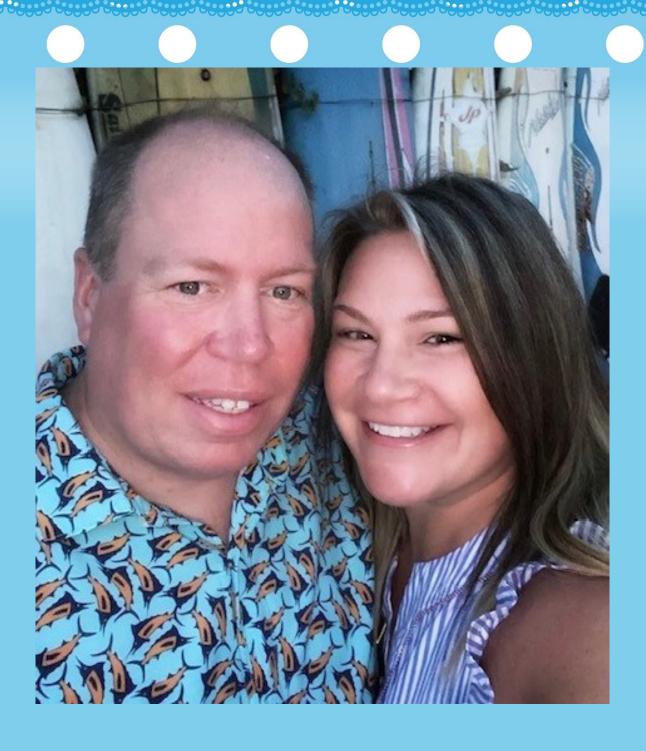
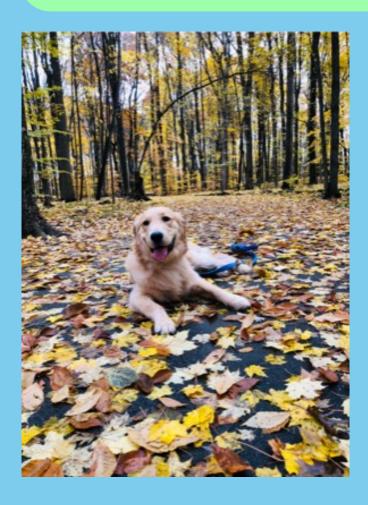
Bill & Jennifer



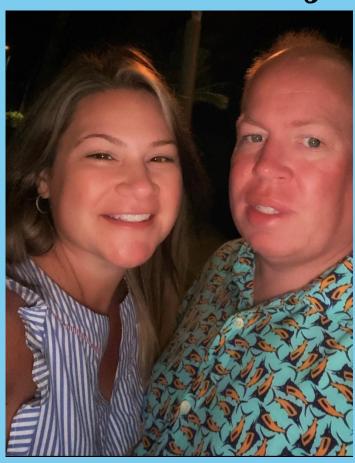
Dear Birth Parent,

Although we have not met you yet, we already know that you are strong, brave, and selfless to be sharing your child with a family that is unable to have their own. We cannot imagine what emotions you are going through at this time. Please take some solace in the fact that we plan to share whatever information you share with us with your child. We would love for you to be a part of the baby's life as much or as little as you would like. We would like you to know that we have so much love to give your little one every day. We are excited to share our adventures with your child and will help to give him or her everything possible to flourish in life.



Our Story





We have been together for eleven years. We were married in 2011 and celebrated with a small group of friends and family in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. We love to travel through Canada and United States and many other places in the world. Our favorite places include Mackinac Island, Michigan and Maui, Hawaii. We have a cat named Mickey and a dog named Cooper. Cooper is a golden retriever and a certified therapy dog. We love to find hiking trails to take him on. We have a niece and nephew that are 12 year old twins. We love spending time with them and going on many adventures.



About Bill

Bill grew up just outside of Detroit in a small town called Harper Woods. He grew up in a home with his mom, dad and one older sister. When he was 12, his mom passed away. Afterward, the family needed help and his grandparents moved in, which was great. His house became the house where cousins also came to live. He feels like the environment was a melting pot that really taught him about life. He currently owns an award winning insurance agency with two locations. Owning his own business allows him to take the time off to enjoy life with the family, something he really enjoys.

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About Jennifer

Jennifer was born in Montreal, Quebec Canada and grew up in Windsor, Ontario Canada. She has one younger brother. Jennifer was a Medical Assistant for a psychiatrist for 18 years. Over the last few years, she has been doing foundation work for the insurance business that has a program that provides grants to teachers. Jennifer also spends time volunteering in nursing homes/schools/libraries with our therapy dog, Cooper. Cooper is so friendly and brings a smile to every person he greets.





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Note to our Child

Dear little one,

You are not here yet but you are already so loved. We promise to love and support you and share in your goals and achievements. We will be open and honest with you about your birth parents and how much they truly loved you to be able to share you with us.

About our Community

We just love our community! You would think we are so far from everything but we really are not—the elementary school is a mile away and we are very close to many supportive friends and family that are ready to share in the life of a little one. There are many parks and lakes around us as well as a ski hill and concert venue. We are excited to raise our family here!





