



OUR JOURNEY TO ADOPTION

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& richie



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our lifestyle

We tend to be homebodies who also have a thirst for adventure and vacation. Richie teaches third-grade in town, and Ryan works as an administrative officer. During the summer we work our small farmette, raising goats and chickens and growing our own veggies. During the school year, we relax at home making soaps and lotions for our small business, utilizing our goat milk and other home grown ingredients.

Whenever we can, we like to visit with friends and family, whether it be dinner out or a BBQ at home. We love to have people over to hang out or have a game night. Both of us love when our friends and family bring the kiddos along. We enjoy hearing the laughter of everyone having fun!

The highlight of the year is when we head to the beach for a family get-away. The long weekend flies by when our family is all together. When we need downtime, we sit and relax at home. Richie likes to read while Ryan watches a crime or fireman drama. We each have a fur baby to keep us warm on the couch.

OUR HOME + NEIGHBORHOOD

We have a single-story ranch home that sits off the road about 200 yards. This is our own little slice of paradise! We have a small farmette, where we raise goats and chickens. We have 13 acres to spread out, and have lots of room to grow our family. Our three Chihuahuas, Piper(14), and the twins, (Finn & Ferb - 2), are full of energy and have so much love to give. Our lazy cat, Sophie, hangs out around the house, judges all the things we are doing. Our home is about five minutes from downtown, grocery stores, and our favorite, Target.

ADOPTION IN OUR LIFE

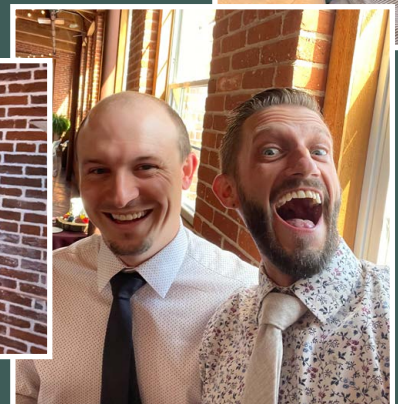
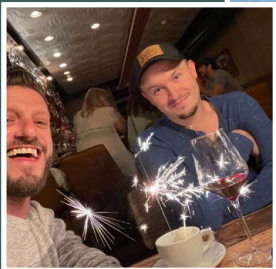
From a young age, we both knew that we wanted to have a family of our own! We are planning to make our dream a reality as soon as possible. Over the past few years, we have talked with our family and friends and have had such a wonderful, positive reaction to our plan to raise a little one.

We have a nursery ready for our future little one that includes items from our own childhood, as well as hand-me-downs and new items from people rooting for us. We are ready to grow our family and cannot wait to share our home with your baby.

We are also not the first in our families to adopt a little one. We have cousins who have been adopted from overseas, and other relatives who have adopted from closer to home. Since we are unable to have our own biological child together, we chose to adopt and spread our love.

our photos

BETTER TOGETHER



richie

OCCUPATION Third grade teacher
EDUCATION Graduate Degree
RACE Caucasian
RELIGION Spiritual
SPORT Running
FOOD Pizza
HOBBY Reading
FAMILY TRADITION Family vacations
MUSICAL GROUP Fall Out Boy
MOVIE Horror
DREAM VACATION Fiji
HOLIDAY Christmas
TV SHOW Parks and Recreation
SUBJECT IN SCHOOL Art
BOOK Where the Wild Things Are



ryan

OCCUPATION Administrative officer
EDUCATION High School
RACE Caucasian
RELIGION Spiritual
SPORT Wrestling
FOOD Ice cream
HOBBY Farming
FAMILY TRADITION Family gatherings
MUSICAL GROUP Country music
MOVIE Comedy
DREAM VACATION Australia
HOLIDAY Halloween
TV SHOW Crime dramas
SUBJECT IN SCHOOL Math



our family & friends



We are lucky to have our families close to our home. We get together with both sides every chance we get! We love to have our whole family gather at our farm in the summer, when everyone can be outside. We host Thanksgiving at our house and invite somewhere between 30-40 family members.

Both of our extended families are growing! Richie's two younger brothers are married with young children, and Ryan's sister is married with two little ones. We love when we get to hang out with them at their homes too.

Our friends are incredible and always around. We both have a strong network of people who support us in the things we do. They are honest, loyal, caring and ready to jump in to help with any situation.





our letter to you

Dear Expectant Mom,

The choice you are facing is so incredibly difficult. There are no words to express the gratitude we feel toward you already. Your choice is giving us a gift we will only be able to repay by being the best dads we can be. We are excited that you are considering us to be the loving family to love and help shape into the best person they can be.

When you choose us to raise your child, we will share our experiences, our love for the outdoors, our thirst for adventure, and a warm home full of fun and happiness, where your child can grow to be whoever they want to be.

Our families are supportive of our journey. When they say, "It takes a village," our village is ready to jump in and be the loving community that is going to support and encourage your child. We hope you will want to be a part of that village.

Thank you for considering us to be the family who will raise your child in a house full of love and laughter. We know this decision is not easy. Please know that if we are the family you choose, we will be there for you every step of the way. We look forward to getting to know you and sharing this wonderful experience with you!

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