

Kelly
Tim
& Kyle

Hello!

We're Tim and Kelly, and we are so happy that you are taking the time to get to know us and our family.



KELLY

KELLY IS A SCIENTIST WORKING IN CANCER RESEARCH. SHE STUDIES THE EFFECTS OF CANCER RADIATION THERAPY ON THE HEART AND WAYS TO PROTECT THE HEART WHILE PATIENTS UNDERGO CANCER TREATMENT.

EDUCATION: MD, PHD IN FREE RADICAL AND RADIATION BIOLOGY, BS IN CHEMISTRY

PERSONALITY: EXTROVERTED, LAID BACK, COMPETITIVE, AND FUNNY

KELLY'S FAVORITE INTERESTS ARE PLAYING VIDEO GAMES, READING FANTASY BOOKS, GARDENING, TRAVELING, AND HIKING.

KELLY LOVES SPENDING TIME WITH TIM AND THEIR SON, KYLE. SHE ALSO LOVES SPENDING TIME WITH FRIENDS, HER PARENTS AND IN-LAWS, AND HER SISTERS.



TIM



TIM IS A SENIOR PRINCIPAL SYSTEMS ENGINEER IN THE SYSTEM SAFETY DEPARTMENT OF AN AVIONICS COMPANY. HE IS THE TECHNICAL LEAD OF ABOUT 12 OTHER ENGINEERS, AND REVIEWS SYSTEM DESIGNS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF AIRPLANES.

EDUCATION: BACHELORS IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

PERSONALITY: SOCIAL, LAID BACK, LOGIC ORIENTED, THOUGHTFUL, AND FUNNY

TIM'S FAVORITE INTERESTS ARE ROBOTICS, PROGRAMMING, VOLLEYBALL, HIKING, AND VIDEO GAMES.

TIM LOVES TALKING TO HIS FRIENDS ABOUT TECHNOLOGY AND PUZZLES. HE ENJOYS SPENDING TIME WITH EXTENDED FAMILY. AND MOST OF ALL, HE ENJOYS THE TIME HE SPENDS WITH KELLY AND THEIR SON, KYLE.



Let us tell you more
about our family...



KYLE

KYLE WAS BORN IN 2019.

HE LOVES COLORING,
BUILDING, READING,
PLAYING OUTSIDE, AND
PLAYING WITH HIS PETS.





**PERSONALITY: SNUGLY,
LOVING, ENERGETIC, AND
THOUGHTFUL.**

**KYLE LOVES HIS FAMILY,
AND HIS COUSINS, AND
HE REALLY WANTS A
BROTHER OR SISTER TO
PLAY WITH AND LOVE.**



BUDDY & ZENA



Our pets are a part of our family too. Buddy and Zena were both rescued animals, and they provide us endless entertainment and companionship, and Kyle loves them so much!



Our thoughts on parenting:

We currently have a young son, Kyle, and he is our pride and joy. We both love playing with him, reading to him, and watching him grow. Our faith is important to us and we want to instill that faith in Kyle and teach him how to be a successful, independent, and caring person as he grows up.

We are firm believers in establishing boundaries for kids and disciplining them when they inevitably test those boundaries. However, we also want to give them lots of freedom within those boundaries for them to explore, learn, and also make mistakes. We also believe that every child is different, and so the best way to help them discover who they are is to provide them with a variety of experiences so they can find out what interests them and what to pursue. In that vein we have tried to expose our son to many different things from sports, to apple picking and gardening, to horseback riding, to building things in the yard and with legos. It brings us immense joy to see Kyle's eyes light up when he experiences something new that he truly enjoys.

We can't wait to share this joy with a new child.





Our Marriage:





We met online and hit it off right away. We both are very social and enjoy talking, traveling, and trying new things. We are both very goal oriented and work hard to achieve those goals. We believe the best way to handle any disagreements is with open and honest communication. We can talk about anything with each other and try to find the root of any problems and good ways to solve them. We have been through many challenges over the years and have overcome them all and become stronger together.

The addition of Kyle in our lives has only made our marriage stronger. We work as a team to be the best parents we can be. We lean on each other for support when needed, and we never hesitate to step in and help lighten each others burdens.

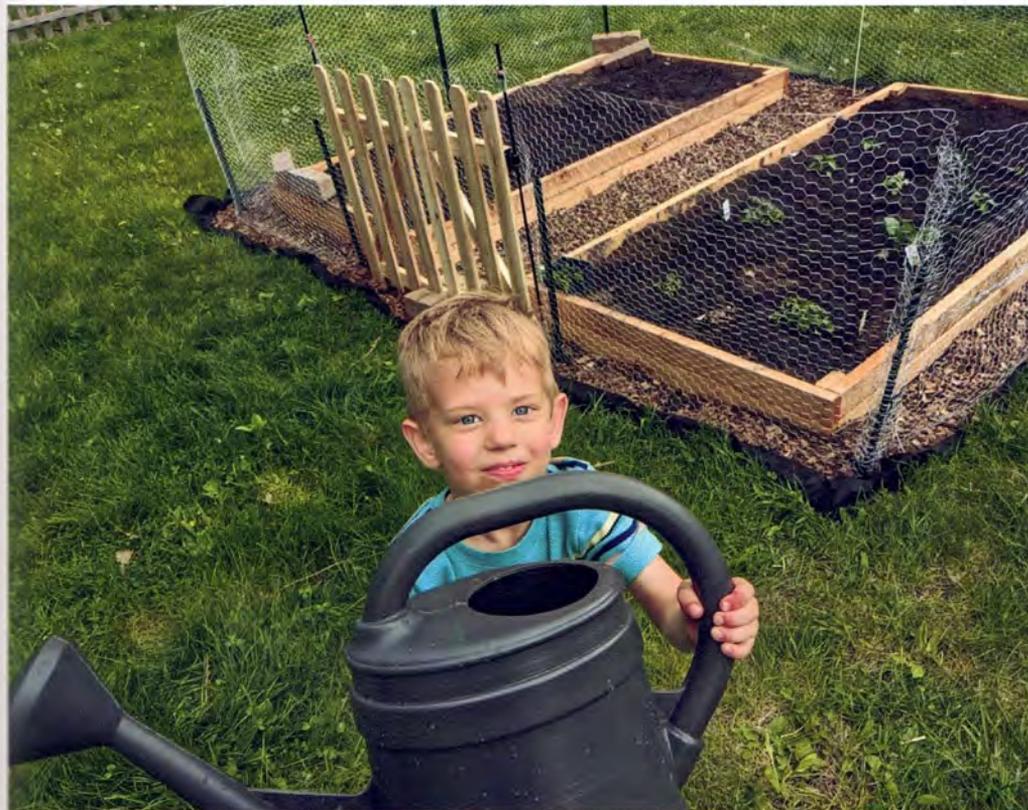
We have so much love for each other and for our son. We are excited to extend our family and provide this love for another child too. We understand adoption will bring its own challenges to our lives, but our support for each other and for our family will allow us to tackle any new challenge.





Our Home:





Our 3 bedroom, 3 bathroom home is seated on a beautiful 2 acre property in the suburbs of Iowa City. We bought our home when we got married, and it has been wonderful. The best part about our home is the land and space. We have a fenced in back yard for the dog to roam. We have space for a swing set, garden boxes, our own apple trees, and even an outdoor volleyball net. There is so much space, nature, and wildlife for a child to explore and grow. We also have plenty of space inside our home, including a third bedroom that is ready to welcome in a new child to our family and to make that space their own.

Our home is also within a short distance of schools, parks, stores, and restaurants. There are plenty of walking paths and sidewalks nearby, and the Coralville Reservoir is a short drive away. We take our boat out to the lake often and enjoy bringing friends and family with us.





FAMILY

Tim's Family:
Tim grew up in Cedar Rapids, IA with his mom, dad, and sister. Kelly is grateful to have such wonderful in-laws, and Kelly, Tim, and Kyle love to visit them often!

Kelly's Family:
Kelly grew up in Geneva, IL with her mom, dad, and two sisters. Kelly's family continues to grow as both sisters have gotten married, and her older sister now has two kids of her own! Kelly, Tim, and Kyle visit their family in Illinois quite often, and Kyle loves to see his cousins!





KELLY'S EXTENDED FAMILY

Tim grew up in Iowa. His dad was an engineer and his mom was a teacher until she became a stay at home mom when they adopted his sister. 5 years before he was born. Tim grew up in a strong Christian household. They went to church every Sunday and Wednesday, prayed together, and would openly discuss God. Tim's family was very loving and would play games or watch movies together. His dad got him interested in computers at a young age and fostered his growth. He also took Tim to youth sports and encouraged him. They are very supportive of Tim and Kelly adopting a child. Tim's parents adopted his sister through Lutheran Family Services and were excited that Kelly and Tim were adopting through them too.

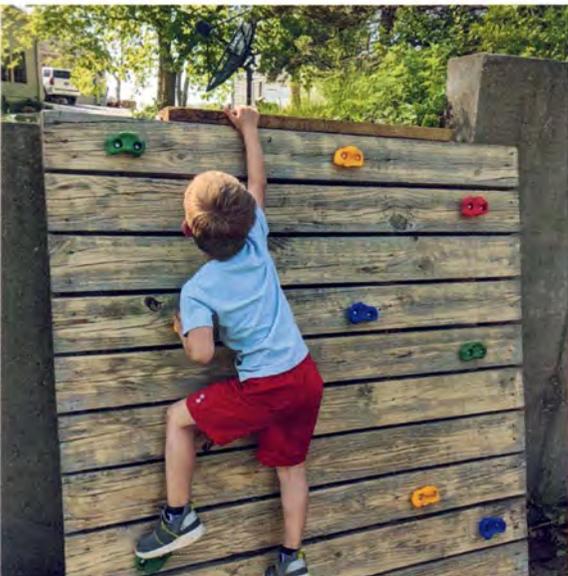
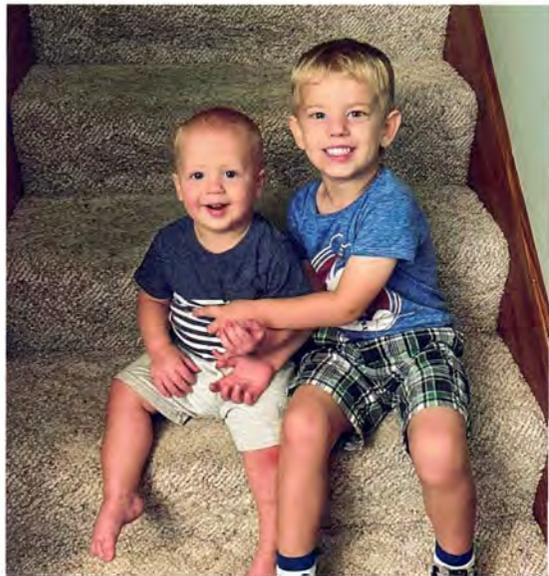
Kelly grew up in Illinois. Her dad was a small business owner during her childhood, and now works as a project manager in a contracting business. Kelly's mom and two sisters are all special education teachers. Kelly is incredibly close with her family and extended family. She grew up constantly surrounded by cousins, aunts, and uncles. Kelly's parents were very nurturing and involved in her growth and development. They encouraged her to explore activities and sports, and they fostered her faith by participating in church groups and weekly mass. Kelly's family is excited to grow through adoption and strongly support Kelly and Tim in this process.



TIM'S EXTENDED FAMILY







Our Faith:



OUR FAITH IN GOD PLAYS A MAJOR ROLE IN OUR LIVES. OUR RELATIONSHIP AND FAMILY ARE FOUNDED IN CHRIST AND HIS TEACHINGS. WE BELIEVE THAT GOD THROUGH THE BIBLE HAS PROVIDED GOOD INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOW WE SHOULD LIVE OUR LIVES, AND WE TRY TO FOLLOW THEM AS BEST WE CAN. WE ATTEND WEEKLY SERVICES AND PRAY MANY TIMES THROUGHOUT THE DAY. WE TEACH KYLE ABOUT THE BIBLE AND TEACH HIM HOW TO PRAY AND SHOW LOVE FOR GOD AND HIS BLESSINGS.



Why Adoption?

Our whole lives we've wanted to be parents. After we were engaged, we would spend many days talking about our future children. We talked about how many we wanted, how we would raise them, and even what potential names we wanted for them. Soon after we got married, we decided to try for our first child. Luckily we got pregnant quickly. However, as the pregnancy went on, we began to be worried. Kelly was diagnosed with pre-eclampsia with severe features. The doctors monitored it and at 37 weeks recommended that we induce. After 48 hours of failed labor, Kyle was finally born by c-section at 5.5 pounds in March 2019.

The complications from Kelly's pregnancy did not stop there, though. Upon birth, the doctors were concerned and Kyle was rushed to the NICU and put on a respirator, feeding tube, and IV. The following 10 days were incredibly stressful and nerve wracking. Our newborn son struggled to breathe, struggled to eat, and was jaundice. But after 10 days in the NICU, we finally got to bring our wonderful son home. Since that time, our son has grown into a wonderful young boy. We work with him every day to guide him to be an honest, friendly, and hard working person. Watching him grow fills us with joy and we cherish the moments where he sits on our laps and asks us to read him a book or when we play basketball with him outside.

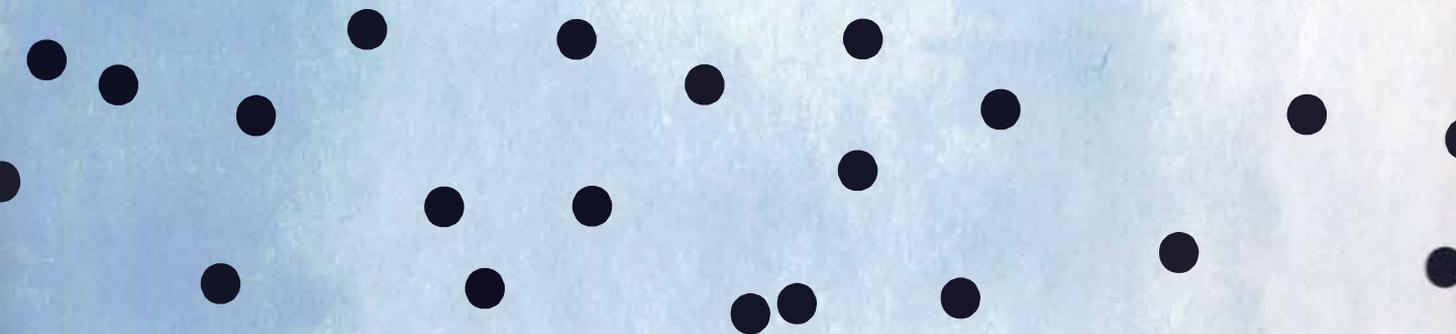
We've always wanted more children, but with the health dangers we now have with pregnancy, and the risk for health dangers in a future child, the traditional way is no longer an option. Having another child would fill our house with even more happiness and joy, and Kyle has been yearning for a sibling that he can play with. He loves spending time at his aunts house and playing with his two cousins. Our hope is that, through adoption, we may extend our family and provide a loving home to a new child.





Our thoughts on open adoption:

We are very willing to have an open adoption and maintain contact with the birth mother throughout the child's life. We know that choosing adoption for your child is a difficult and stressful thing, and we are open to any level of communication that you may wish.





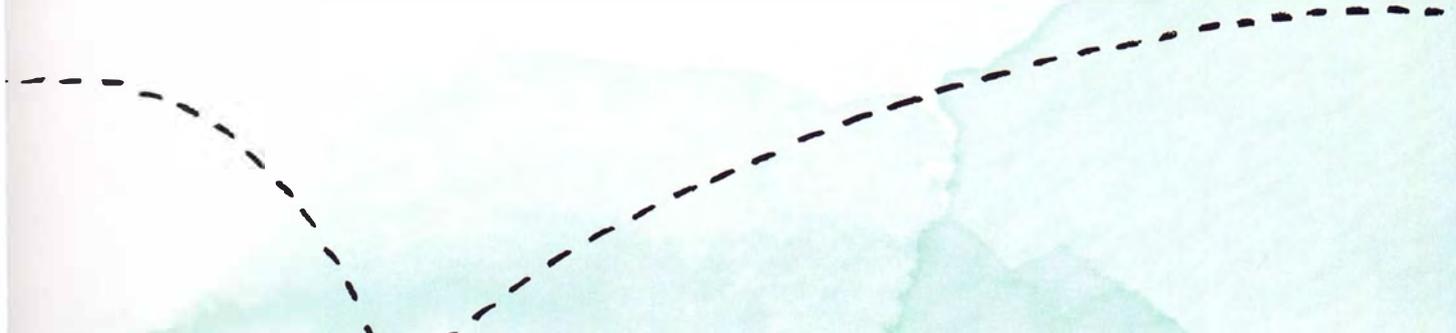
Dear Birthparent,

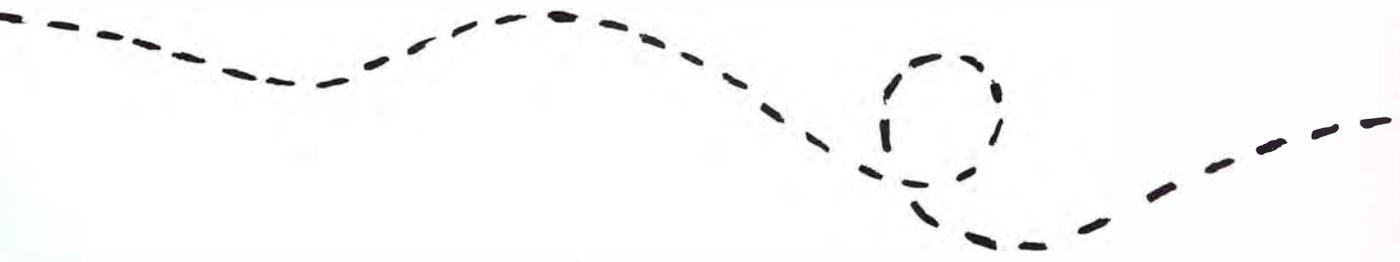
We are writing to you with hearts full of gratitude, humility, and hope for the future. We are Kelly and Tim, and we are so honored that you are considering entrusting us with the care of your child. There are no words that can truly express what an incredible gift this is for our

family, and we want you to know how deeply we appreciate your bravery, strength, and the love you have shown in making this decision.

We have a wonderful son, Kyle, who brings so much joy and light into our lives. He has been such a blessing, and we always knew our family wasn't quite complete without another child to share our love with. We are thrilled at the thought of welcoming your child into our home, where they will join Kyle in an environment filled with laughter, care, and support. We can already imagine the bond they will form as siblings, and we promise to do everything we can to make sure both of them grow up feeling safe, loved, and supported in their own unique way.

We know that your decision to place your child for adoption comes from a place of deep love and care, and we want to honor that. We understand that this is an emotional and complex journey, and we want you to know that we will always hold your child's story close to our hearts. They will grow up knowing how much they were cherished and loved. Not just by us, but by you as well.





As parents, we are committed to providing a warm and nurturing home where your child, like Kyle, will be encouraged to explore their world, follow their dreams, and always feel supported by a family who loves them unconditionally. Our son is already excited to become a big brother, and we can't wait to see the love and joy that will blossom between them.

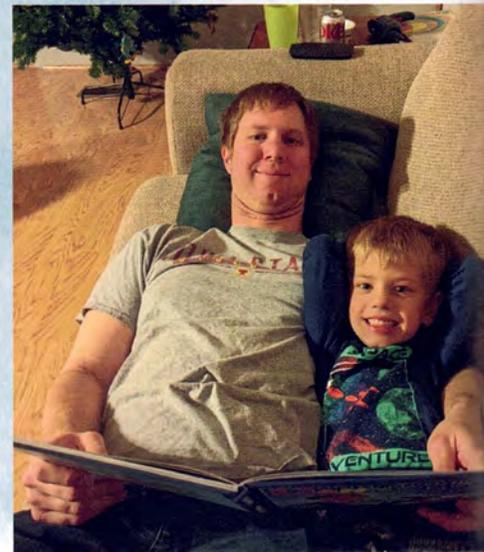
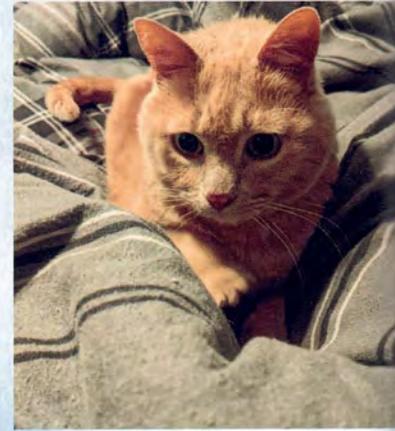
We also want to respect your wishes when it comes to communication and contact. If you ever feel the need for updates, or would like to hear about how your child is growing, we are open to whatever level of connection feels right for you. We want to honor your role in your child's life and ensure that they know their story is part of a larger circle of love.

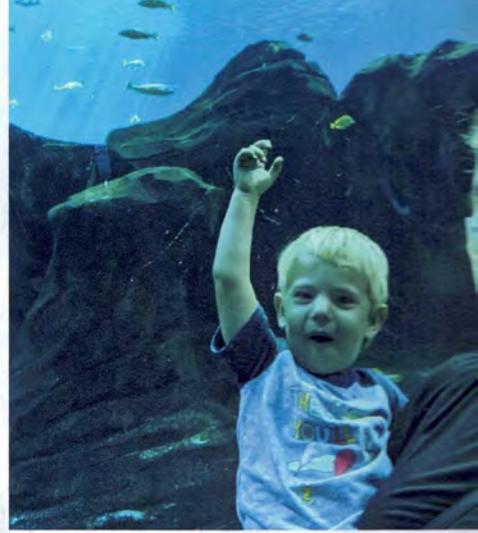
Thank you for considering us to be the parents of your child. We promise to raise them with love, kindness, and understanding, and to always treasure the gift you have given our family. You will always be in our hearts, and we will ensure that your child knows about your incredible strength, love, and sacrifice.

With deepest gratitude and respect,

Kelly and Tim







THANK YOU
AND GOD
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