

JEFF + CHRISTINE





HELLO!

WE'RE JEFF AND CHRISTINE.

Thank you for taking the time to learn more about us and considering us to be part of your adoption plan. We admire your courage and strength.

We have dreamed of having children for a very long time and would be honored to welcome your child into our family.

We are very appreciative that you will take time to look at our profile. As you look through our profile, you will see that love and support would not only come from us, but also from family and friends.

With warm hearts,

Jeff & Christine

THIS IS OUR STORY



We met in 2011, in an early education class at the University of Wisconsin La Crosse. We quickly became friends and bonded while playing Cribbage (our favorite game!) and watching House (our favorite TV show!).

We were good friends for the next two years and began dating right before graduation. Christine got a job outside of Milwaukee, which happens to be Jeff's hometown. Knowing that we didn't want to spend any time apart, we both moved to the Milwaukee area to start our lives together.

During the summer of 2017, we got married in a Milwaukee suburb surrounded by our friends and family. It was one of the best days of our lives!

We love our life together. We have a house in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and have the cutest dog named Ruby. We spend lots of time playing card games, going to parks, cooking up new recipes together in the kitchen, and exploring our awesome city.



WE HAVE BUILT A BEAUTIFUL LIFE TOGETHER AND
WE CAN'T WAIT TO GROW OUR FAMILY!





MEET CHRISTINE

OCCUPATION

Third Grade Teacher

I CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT...

family, books, and coffee!

THINGS THAT MAKE ME HAPPY:

DIY projects, reading, and fun family road trips.

YOU CAN USUALLY FIND ME...

cuddled up on the couch reading a good book.

IN JEFF'S WORDS

Christine is **creative, compassionate, and determined**. These qualities already make her a terrific teacher, and I know will make her a fantastic mother.

Christine has a presence about her that brings calm to those around her. I always know that when I am with her, everything will be alright. Christine makes the people in her life better. She adds to peoples lives because **she will do anything to help those she loves**. I know she will bring this same demeanor into a child's life because she already does it with the students in her classroom every year. I smile just thinking about the **joy, love, and comfort** she will bring to our future child.

"Christine is the most dependable person I know. She always has a plan and three other ideas to fall back on."





MEET JEFF

IN CHRISTINE'S WORDS

Jeff is **loyal**, **patient**, and **giving**. When a friend or family member is in need of help, he is the first one to ask what he can do. This ranges from helping family cut down trees to driving hours to help a friend in need. His generosity expands from his personal to professional life. Jeff is **naturally spontaneous and easy-going**, and he helps me get out of my comfort zone and enjoy all things in life.

Jeff is very social and builds friendships wherever he goes. **People gravitate towards his positive attitude and outlook.** He always has a great book or show recommendation for anyone! I'm so excited to see Jeff become a father and see the bond he creates.

"Jeff creates a full life for us filled with fun, adventures, and laughs."

OCCUPATION

Middle School Teacher

I CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT...

family, sports, and pizza!

THINGS THAT MAKE ME HAPPY:

watching the Packer's game and game nights with friends.

YOU CAN USUALLY FIND ME...

playing fetch with our dog, Ruby, in the backyard or at the park.



ALL ABOUT OUR FAMILIES

Our families are very important to us and we spend time with them often whether it be in person or on the phone. They are our sounding boards, our confidants, and our biggest supporters.

CHRISTINE'S FAMILY

Christine's parents and her younger brother live in **Minnesota**. Her parents still live in the house where she grew up. This means our future child will enjoy lots of **road trips to Minnesota** and will have visitors often. Christine is very close to her family and talks on the phone with them often.

We value our summer road trips to Minnesota and our **spring break trips** to Palm Springs, California with Christine's family. Her grandparents and other extended family members also live in Minnesota and are very excited to welcome a little one into the family!

JEFF'S FAMILY

Jeff's parents and his younger sister are just a **short drive from our home** and they visit often. They will be a major **support system** as we grow our family.

We spend lots of time at Jeff's parents house enjoying **weekend dinners** and watching all the pups play outside. We enjoy vacationing in **Michigan's Upper Peninsula** together each summer. The entire family and all three dogs head up to cabins right on the lake for **fishing, hiking**, and relaxation together!

CHRISTINE'S FAVORITE FAMILY TRADITIONS

Cooking Grandma's famous brunch recipes that have been passed down

Long weekends in La Crosse, Wisconsin

Christmas Dice Game with extended family

JEFF'S FAVORITE FAMILY TRADITIONS

Family dinners at mom and dad's house

Brewery tours around Milwaukee

Fishing and hiking at the cabin



CHRISTINE'S FAMILY



CHRISTINE'S MOM



CHRISTINE'S BROTHER

Both of our families are excited to welcome our child with open arms.



JEFF'S SISTER & PUP

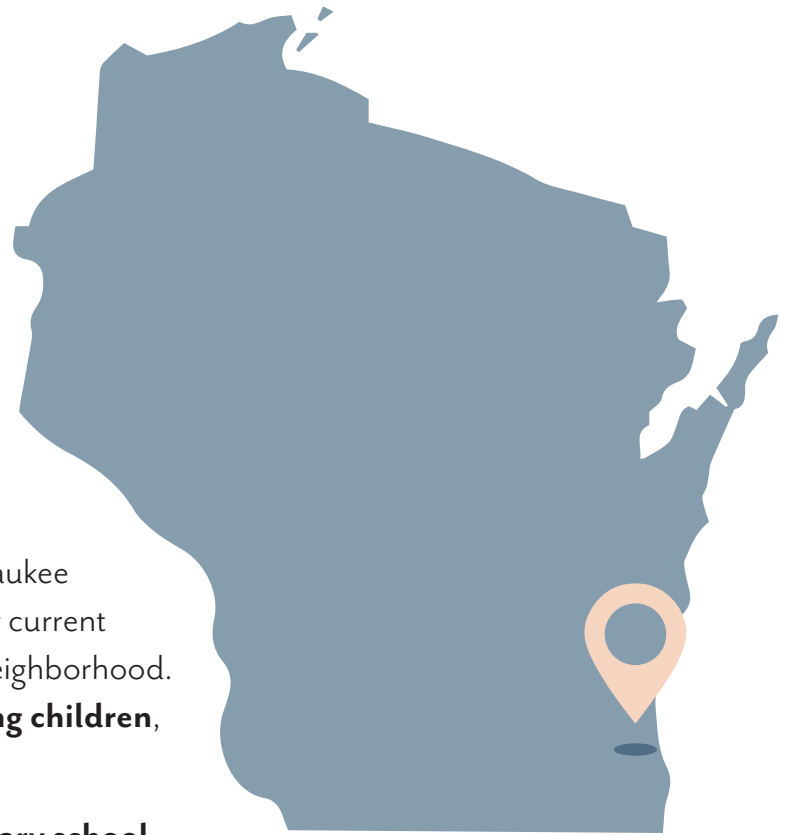


JEFF'S DAD



JEFF'S FAMILY

OUR HOME



We live in Wisconsin, in a quiet neighborhood in a **suburb of Milwaukee**. We have lived in the Milwaukee area for more than 8 years, but we moved in to our current home in 2017. We love our welcoming, inclusive neighborhood. Our neighborhood has **lots of families with young children**, many of whom we already love hanging out with!

Our home is near lots of **parks**, the **local elementary school**, and only 5 minutes from the **Milwaukee Zoo**. The zoo is one of our favorite places, and we can't wait to take our child to the zoo on many beautiful summer days!

AT HOME YOU MIGHT FIND US...

- ▶ In the yard playing with Ruby
- ▶ Grilling with family and friends
- ▶ Playing a card or board game
- ▶ Testing out a new recipe in the kitchen
- ▶ Tackling a DIY project





RUBY

Our pup makes us laugh all the time with her crazy jumps and the funny ways she falls asleep on the recliner.



TIME WITH OUR FRIENDS

THINGS THAT MAKE US HAPPY

There are so many things in our lives that bring us joy. We can't wait to share all of these things with our child and to discover new and exciting things as a family.

SUMMER TIME

We love our summer road trips and spending quality time with our extended family and friends.

TEACHING

We are both teachers and LOVE our jobs. We really enjoy working with kids and find it so rewarding.



FAMILY TRADITIONS

From cooking traditional Italian dishes with Jeff's family to spring break trips to Palm Springs with Christine's, we cherish our family traditions!



PLAYING WITH OUR FRIENDS KIDS

EACH OTHER

We enjoy spending time together whether its going on a trip, playing cards, or simply reading on the couch together.





THIS IS OUR
PROMISE TO YOU

We promise to **love this child with all our hearts** and celebrate their story. We promise to **support, encourage,** and **lift up** this little one throughout their entire life.

We will **teach this child strong values and beliefs,** like **kindness, honesty,** and **love.** We will foster an environment where our child feels **comfortable and safe.**

Above all else, we will provide this child with a **home and life filled with love, laughter, and opportunity.**

Jeff & Christine