# KACI & ZACH and Berkley, too!



# WE'RE KACI, ZACH AND BERKLEY

And we thank you for taking the time to learn more about our family. We admire the love and strength you have to make this decision on adoption and hope to maintain a special bond for this baby. We have been married for 12 years and our daughter, Berkley, joined our family in 2018. She is the light of our life and has helped us to become familiar with the adoption process as she is adopted! We are a super active family who enjoys all sorts of entertainment from sporting events, concerts, traveling, family and friend gatherings, boating, local festivals and anything outdoors. Zach is a high school teacher and former coach and Kaci is a dental hygienist. We both love our jobs and have pretty great schedules (which are also perfect for raising a family!) We live in a suburb in south central Wisconsin in a great neighborhood with lots of kids. Our house is walkable to schools and we love the local parks we frequent with Berkley. We are extremely close to our families and love gatherings. There are currently 7 grandkids in each of our immediate families and we love getting all the cousins together to play! Most of Zach's family lives near us and we spend a lot of time together at the pool in the summer. Most of Kaci's family lives an hour away, but we visit often to explore the farm she grew up on and play outside. We can't wait to grow our family and for Berkley to have a sibling! We welcome any of your thoughts and wishes and are excited to meet you!

ALL OUR BEST,

Kaci, Bach, and Berkley

# OUR BEGINNING











We met in 2006 through mutual friends and hit it off the first night! I don't think our friends had intentionally tried to set us up, but we connected instantly and are so thankful to still have a best friend relationship with them. We dated long distance for a couple of years while Zach was going to college in LaCrosse, WI and Kaci was going to college in Madison, WI. Zach moved to Madison, near his hometown, after college to start a career while Kaci finished her last year of school at MATC. We got engaged a few months after Kaci graduated and got married the following fall, October 2010.

#### ABOUT KACI









I consider myself loyal, honest, hard-working and fun! I am always on time and dedicated to commitments. I believe I'm a great listener, but I love a good conversation and spending time with others and laughter make me happiest. I get excited about the little things in life and like to surround myself with positive people. I like reading, exercising, socializing, cleaning, organizing, family time, boating, concerts, sporting events, local festivals, outdoor activities and doing anything with Berkley and Zach! Summer months are definitely my favorite time of the year, but having a toddler has given me a new appreciation for winter and all opportunities to enjoy it. I look forward to holidays and traditions associated with them- especially now with a family of my own. My greatest accomplishments in life are my family, education, and career. I couldn't have imagined the happiness a child could bring, but Berkley is the light of our life and we can't wait for her to be a big sister and share our love with another child. I am a Registered Dental Hygienist (RDH) at a small, private dental office in a great south central Wisconsin suburb. My office is about a 30 minute commute from home. I have worked there for 10 years and absolutely love the office and my job! I clean teeth! I have wonderful patients and a flexible schedule. I work Monday through Thursday and also enjoy shorter summer hours. A lot of my vacation time follows the school calendar so I'm off when Zach is on school breaks and when we have kid(s) it won't disrupt their schedules.

#### ABOUT ZACH









I consider myself honest, easy going, trustworthy, and fun. I like to see the best in people and get along with just about anyone. I like to think that I am a good listener (which comes in handy) as my wife loves to talk! Family and friends are the most important thing in life so I believe that having a large core group is important to living a happy life. I am still very close with many of my high school friends which leads to many great stories being told when we get together. I love getting together with family and friends, whether it be hanging out at someone's house and letting the kids play, to traveling, or being active. My favorite thing to do in my free time now is golfing, which almost all of my close friends do as well. I also like to stay active playing adult league hockey, softball, and basketball. I am a sports fan of the Wisconsin Badgers, Green Bay Packers, Chicago Cubs and Chicago Blackhawks and love to watch my teams play whether it be on TV or in person. I have been able to have many successes in my life to this point but the family we have created has been my most important. A few other things I am proud of are my education, having graduated from UW-LaCrosse and earning my Masters Degree. My career, I am a Physical Education teacher at a local high school and have been working in the same district for 13 years. We also recently sold our first house and moved into a larger home in my hometown where our family can grow and make memories for many years to come.

## BERKLEY











Berkley is our super fun, energetic, smart and curious 2 year old daughter! Berkley was adopted at birth in 2018 and our lives have been forever changed since that day. The incredible bond between child and parent has exceeded any expectation we ever had and watching her grow and learn new things is so exciting. She loves reading, playgrounds, swimming, sledding, playing with cousins and friends, helping with any task, coloring, dancing, helping in the kitchen and babies! It is so sweet to watch her take care of baby dolls and we know she'll be an amazing big sister. Berkley goes to an in-home daycare near our house and we couldn't love her daycare provider more. She is challenged each day with sharing, creativity, play, cooking and we plan to put another child into the same caring arms. Berkley is home with Kaci on Fridays and home with Zach during the summer and other school breaks.











# OUR FAMILIES

Kaci's parents (Bob and Jane) have been married for 39 years and she grew up on a dairy farm in a small town about an hour from where we live. Her parents live in the same house where she grew up and we love visiting the farm. She has a younger brother, Kurt, who is married to Carissa and their kids Estie, Hudson and Maren, live in Kaci's hometown. Kaci's youngest sibling- her sister, Kelsey, and her



husband Will have two kids, Briggs, Elliott and another on the way! They live about 20 minutes from us and we have always been a close family spending a lot of time together whether a simple gathering at one of our houses or family vacations. There are about to be 6 grandkids 5 years old and younger!





Zach's parents (Jon and Karen) have been married for 42 years and still live in the same house Zach grew up in just a few blocks from us! Zach has three younger sisters- Brittany and her husband Kevin have two daughters, Emersyn and Ashtyn and live in the same community as us. Avery

and her husband, Jon, have two daughters also-Finley and Mara, and live in a neighboring town. Kelsey and her husband, Nate, live in a bustling suburb in southeast Wisconsin, about 90 minutes away with their kids Peyton and Hayden. We spend a lot of time with Zach's family too since most live nearby and especially in the summer at the pool Zach's dad manages! A few of Zach's family members also work in education and have similar schedules throughout the year.



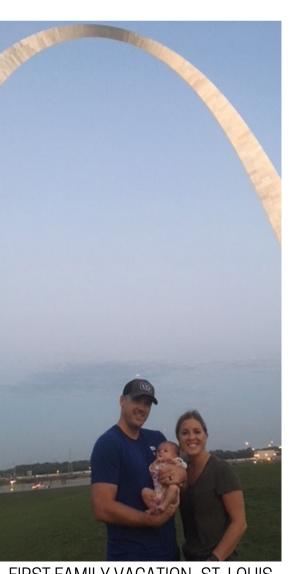
SWIMMING & BOATING AT THE LAKE IN KACI'S HOMETOWN



AT A HOLIDAY FESTIVAL



BERKLEY'S FIRST MLB GAME - CUBS VS. BREWERS



FIRST FAMILY VACATION- ST. LOUIS AT THE ARCH



**PUMPKIN PATCH** 



BERKLEY'S 4TH BIRTHDAY



**FAMILY GOLF OUTING!** 



SLEDDING WITH COUSINS

### OUR HOME





We recently moved and a family-friendly neighborhood was key! We live in a spacious ranch home in a quiet, friendly neighborhood in a great suburban community. We live in a cul-de-sac with several young families and enjoy letting our kids play together daily! We have a pond across the street where duck watching, fishing and skating are enjoyed and live within walking distance to several parks. We have a fun screened-in porch and flat sidewalks for learning how to ride a bike!



## FRIENDS

We are a very social family and lucky to have a lot of good friends who live nearby. We spend a lot of time socializing casually at someone's house or bigger outings at events or weekend getaways. Most of our close friends are married and have children which makes getting together fun and easy for kids to play together. We have several Godchildren and enjoy babysitting to help friends or family out too.



HIKING THE GRAND CANYON IN ARIZONA



**BIRTHDAY PARTY FUN** 



ZACH GOLFING WITH FRIENDS



KACI RAFTING WITH FRIENDS



GOOFING AROUND ON VACATION

#### HOBBIES & INTERESTS

We have several hobbies and interests and are always adding to that list as we like to try new things! We spend several weekends throughout the summer at friends and relatives' local cabins on the water. Summer is our favorite time of the year and we love any type of boating, water sport or swimming at the pool. We enjoy concerts and any type of live music, exercise and fitness, athletic events, local markets and festivals, outdoor patios and campfires and especially love spending time with friends and family. We appreciate the different seasons where we live and participate in seasonal activitiespumpkin patches, parades, sledding, etc. We love to travel and see, taste and experience new things! We've traveled all over our home state of Wisconsin, different areas of the country several times and taken a few international trips too. We thrive in trying to let Berkley experience new things too! We spend a lot of time together as a family, but believe it's healthy to have separate interests also. Zach enjoys golf and any sport with friends. Zach hunts, fishes and enjoys watching movies and series of shows. Kaci enjoys gardening, theater, crafting, reading and shopping.



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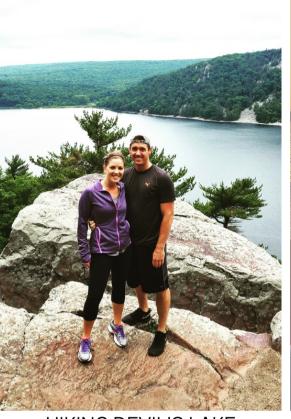
CHEERING ON THE PACKERS



BIKING AROUND KEY WEST



ICE SKATING ON KACI'S BIRTHDAY



HIKING DEVIL'S LAKE



SUNSET CRUISE ON LAKE MONONA



VISITING KACI'S FAMILY FARM





WALKING AROUND LAKE MONONA





MATCHING CHRISTMAS JAMMIES

## OUR PROMISE

We would like to thank you, again, for considering adoption and taking the time to look through our profile. This process can be very intimidating and stressful, but we also know the reward at the end is worth it. Please be assured that if you choose us, we will love this child with all our heart, everyday. We are excited to see what the future holds and look forward to the opportunity to meet and talk with you.



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