

# RACHEL & ASHLEY



Dear Birth Mother,

We feel extremely grateful that you have decided to get to know us a little better during a time of your life where you face a decision that we recognize is likely one of the most difficult decisions you will ever face. We are Rachel and Ashley. Entrusting your child to be raised by someone else requires incredible bravery, strength, honesty, and most of all love for your child. We are grateful that you love your unborn child so much that you would consider creating an adoption plan for him or her. We feel extremely honored to be considered as adoptive parents for your child.



Since we met 12 years ago, we always knew that we would like to have children. After getting married in 2012 and buying our home we have been thinking about how we would expand our family. For several years we have put a lot of thought into what our family would look like. We have gone to adoption seminars, read adoption books and have talked to many parents who have gone on the adoption journey to really understand what adoption is all about. In our hearts we always knew that adoption was the right decision for us.



We are both educators and see many children on a day-to-day basis and would love to have the opportunity to have children of our own to love and support in anything that he or she decides to do in life.



**Rachel** has been a special education teacher for many years and most recently has accepted a position as a special education coordinator, where she over sees the education of all students with special needs in the elementary school where she works. Ensuring that all children receive the education that they need and being a part of the plan to make that happen has always been a passion of Rachel's.

**Ashley** is currently a paraprofessional and is finishing her master's degree in Early Childhood Education. Throughout her career she has always worked with children. Ashley will be a stay at home mom who will have the time to meet every day needs for the child. She looks forward to having the opportunity to bring our child to the playground, museums and activities that he or she is involved in. We are very excited to be able to expand our family with each other.



We are an adventurous family and do like to go away on vacations. During the summer months we frequent Cape Cod and enjoy renting a cottage and spending time in Provincetown. In the winter months we can be found renting a hotel room or staying at a bed and breakfast in the White Mountains where we like to go snowshoeing and spend time trying out new local activities. Regardless of where we are, we always have a fun time together. There isn't a day that goes by that we do not find something to be thankful for or something to laugh about.





We also like spending time outside in our large yard doing gardening, throwing a ball with our three year old golden-doodle dog named Bailey and sitting on our deck grilling dinner and enjoying each others company.

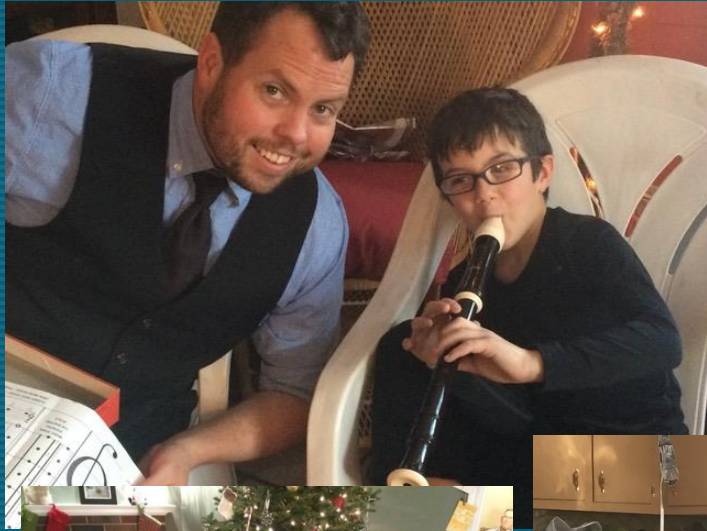


We live in a safe, small suburban New England town with a high performing school system. Our three-bedroom cape style house is nestled in a quiet, yet active neighborhood, surrounded by neighbors we can count on. When we are spending a day at home we enjoy going for long walks in our neighborhood where we often times stop and talk to our neighbors along the way that are doing the same.





Our family enjoys spending time together at each others' houses and feel blessed to live within driving distance of one another. When we get together with our family it is not uncommon to see us playing an all ages family kick ball game, running through the sprinkler or playing imaginary games with the children.



Several of our friends have young children of their own and have welcomed us into their children's lives, some of them referring to us as, Aunty Rachel and Aunty Ashley. Time spent with our friends has become more child focused and is often times spent at the lake or ocean, exploring a local hiking trail or playing games in one of our yards or playrooms.



When we are not spending time at home or with our family and friends, we are active members of our church's children's ministry. Our church is seen as a fun place to be; no one is perfect and we all recognize that and support each other right where we are. Our church is diverse and is excited to welcome our child in to the many family events, such as family movie night, weekend cookouts with bounce houses and face painting or our annual Easter helicopter egg drop.





**Today and everyday for the rest of our lives we are thankful that you are considering us to raise your child. Each day we spend with your child, we will keep you in our and your child's heart, knowing what a difficult and loving decision you made to give your child the gift of having the life that you know you want them to have. May you feel whole in your decision and know that we will love and support your child every day of their life.**

**With Love  
~Rachel & Ashley**