



**Dan & Cathryn**

Dear Birth Mother,

We would be honored for you to consider us as the home for this child you are bringing into the world. Although we cannot know the difficult decisions you are considering and all that you are going through, we do know that you are a strong, compassionate person turning challenging circumstances into hope, and a dream come true, for another family. Thank you for that amazing gift!

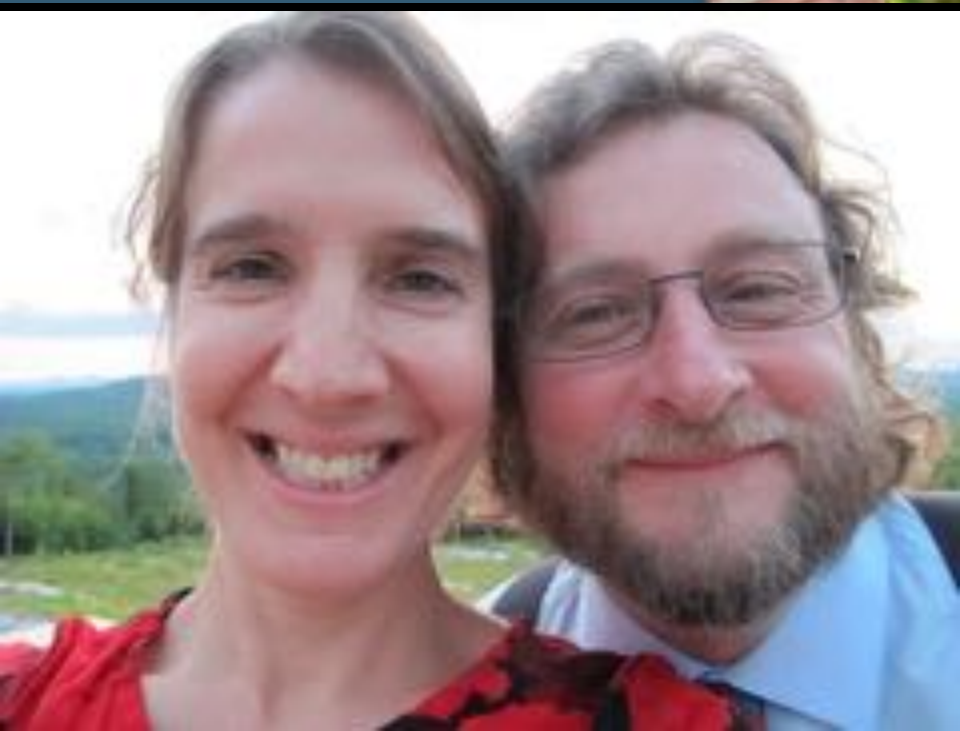
We hope our story will encourage you to learn more about us and what we look forward to sharing with a child. We are so thrilled to become parents!



Us doing what we love! Cathy teaching and Dan farming.

Our story started in a greenhouse 18 years ago. I went to explore some research greenhouses and Dan offered to show me around. We became fast friends and kept in touch over the years after we moved to different parts of the country.

We re-connected in the Summer of 2014, and our long-standing friendship blossomed into a romance and we got married!





We run our family's 400 acre farm. Originally just an apple orchard, it now includes berries, vegetables, hay, maple syrup and a bakery. We are known for our delicious fruit pies!

The farm continues to expand each year and we are currently branching out into honey and winter greens. Below is an aerial shot of the orchards in the Fall.





DAN



Dan loves to grow plants and is a beekeeper, voracious listener of e.books & NPR, a skilled handyman, dedicated animal lover and a black belt in Martial Arts!

I love to learn, hike, take pictures, sew (I made the black skirt below), grow & cook food and meet & learn from people of all walks of life. I also love to teach about farming, travel and experience new cultures through the USAID Farmer to Farmer program.



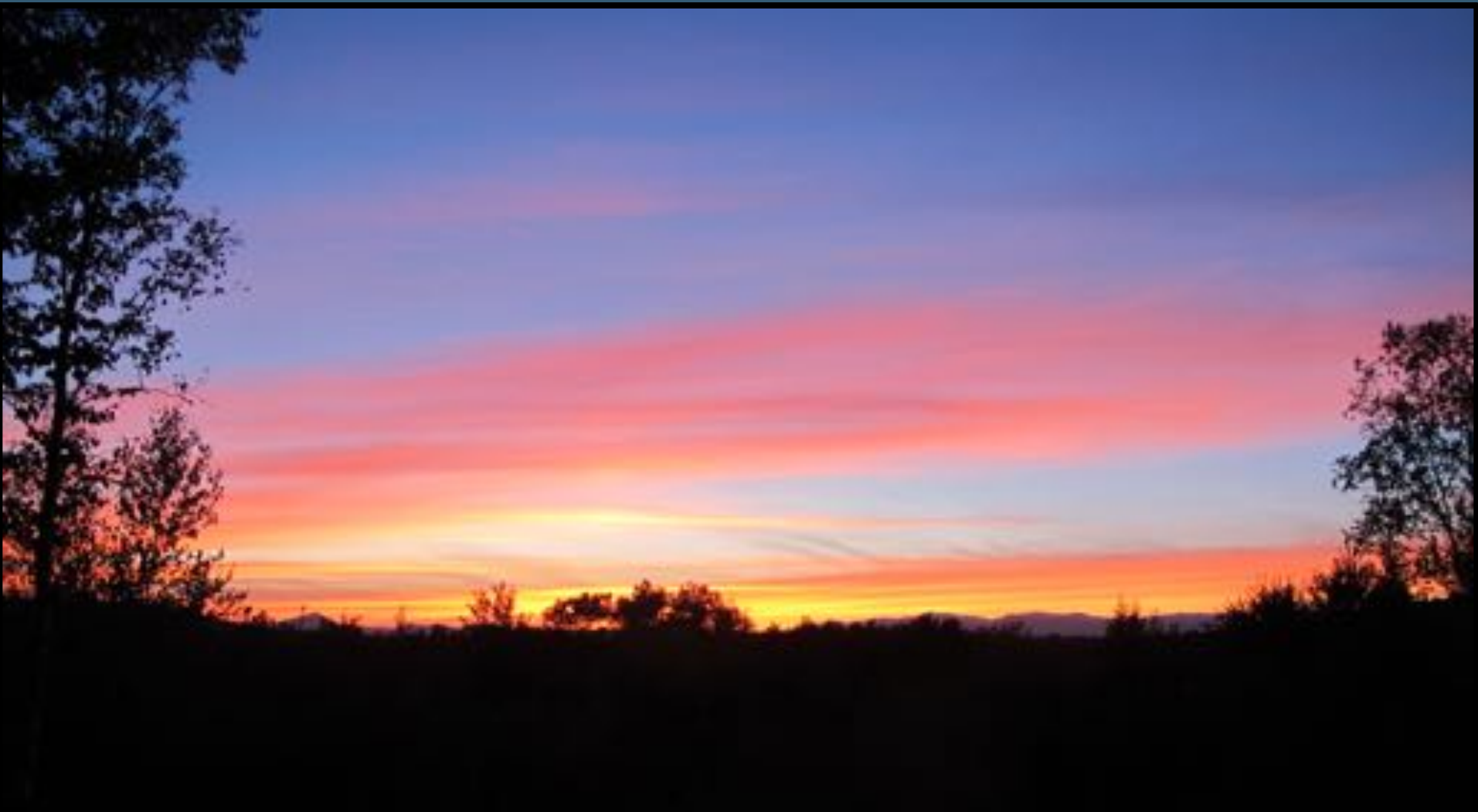
**CATHRYN**



After being unsuccessful in trying to conceive, we chose adoption to welcome a greatly wanted child into our family.

We love our families, friends and careers and are grateful for the chance to nourish and enrich our local community. We can't wait to share this with a child!

We live in a small, peaceful Maine town surrounded by many more trees than people! We are a 15 minute drive to where we run our errands, go grocery shopping, see a movie, etc. We head to Portland, ME and North Conway, NH too for cultural events & museums, fine dining and all the perks of city living. Our home is located a mile from the family farm and is nestled in 10 acres of woods, with a beautiful view of the mountains. The view from our porch is below.



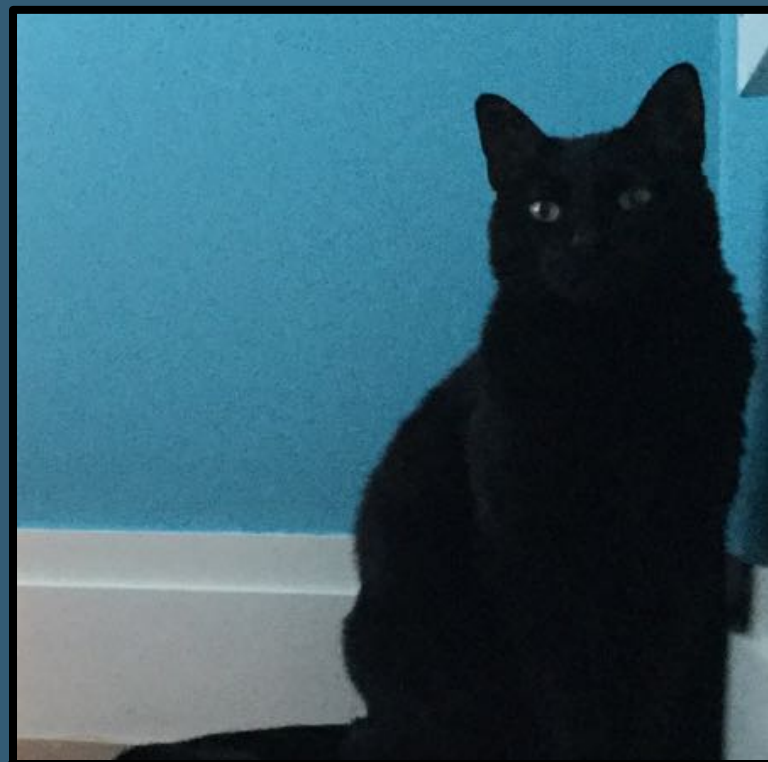




·Home Sweet Home·

Clockwise from top left: Our living room, kitchen, nursery and our home in Winter!





We have a German Shepherd dog, Aster, two black cats, Tuna (left) and Weebert (right) and a 55 G. fish tank with four angel fish and more to come.

We hope to always have a home full of pets!



Our family and friends are very excited for us to welcome a new addition to our family and are eager to offer their love, time and support!





We are looking very forward to welcoming a child into our lives and we thank you for considering us.

Sincerely,

Cathryn & Dan

