

Joe & Nicci



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Dear Birthmother,

Hello from Iowa! We are happy to share a little about our life in the hopes of being first time parents. We have spent eleven happy years together in a marriage built on our Catholic faith, love and family. We look forward to sharing our life and adventures with a child. Thank you for taking the time to consider us as parents of your precious little boy or girl. We look forward to getting to know you!

Love, Joe & Nicci

About Us

Our life stories began in two rural small towns in Iowa. Our similar backgrounds brought us together as friends, and eventually as a couple. We've been together for 15 years and married for 11. Adoption has always been an option in our hearts since we have not been able to have our own children. We are practicing Catholics with the belief that faith and God play an important part in our life. As a member of our family your child would be raised with strong morals and values of our Christian faith.

We also enjoy camping with Nicci's family at a lake hotspot in Iowa. Our fall weekends usually include attending an Iowa State or Iowa football game. We have a friendly rivalry as Nicci is the Iowa State fan and Joe is the Iowa fan. We plan to share our fun and love of football and sports with your child. We both have college degrees and feel that education is an important part of our future child's life.



Picking Apples at the Orchard in Wisconsin



Boston Harbor



Joe's Favorites

Color: Blue

Movies: Office Space, The Big Lebowski, and Planes, Trains & Automobiles

Interests or Hobbies: Sports, Iowa Hawkeye Football and Basketball, Chicago Cubs, Indianapolis Colts, Travel, and Reading

Food: Meat and Potatoes

Holiday: Christmas

Vacation Spots: Louisville, KY, Boston, and Pacific Northwest

Music: 80's/90's Rock

TV Shows: The Simpsons, The Big Bang Theory, Last Man Standing, Blackish



Nicci's Favorites

Color: Hot Pink

Movies: 80's Movies: Pretty In Pink, Sixteen Candles, and many other John Hughes movies, The Holiday, Almost Any Christmas Movie, We Are Marshall

Interests or Hobbies: Iowa State Football and Basketball, Going to the Gym for water aerobics and Body Rock, Crafts, Sewing, Crocheting, and Travel

Food: Steak, Anything Homemade, Southern, Mexican

Holiday: Christmas

Vacation Spots: Louisville, KY, East Coast, Yellowstone, anywhere in the Mountains and would love to go to Hawaii and Alaska.

Music: 80's, Country, Pop

TV Shows: The Big Bang Theory, Last Man Standing, Blackish, Modern Family

About Nicci (by Joe)

Nicci is a very caring and loving person. She has crocheted blankets for newborn family members' children. She also enjoys sewing, as she has made dresses for our niece and her cousins. She loves to bake and cook for our families, friends and at church. She bakes all the traditional favorites that have been passed down through the family, as well as our own traditional favorites. Her love of children is evident by having been an elementary school teacher and enjoys spending time with her family playing board games, watching movies with them, or reading books. She is one of the most patient people I know. Nicci is my soul mate, and I am so lucky to have her as my wife.



Painting With Niece Sydney



Nicci Teaching Niece Sydney Crocheting



Baking



Matching Dresses For
Nieces And Their Dolls



Sewing



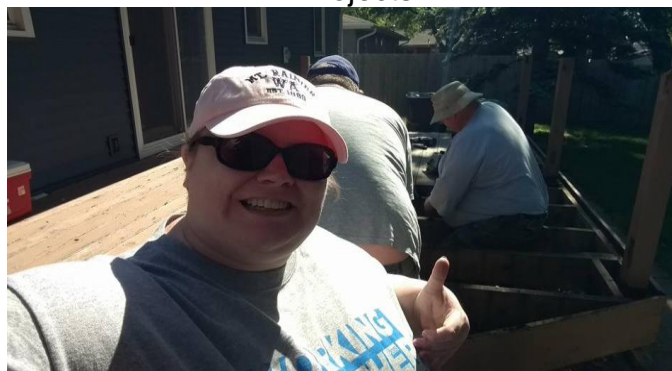
Travel Planning



Projects



Playing With
Cousin Camden



About Joe (by Nicci)

Joe is a compassionate and loving person. He's the quiet and shy type, but you would never know it once you get to know him. I am truly blessed to have such a loving husband who would do anything for me and our families. His brain is filled with a wealth of knowledge, and thoroughly enjoys sports. He is great with our nieces and nephews, as he is always willing to play farm, baseball, basketball or a game of hide and seek. Kids just seem to flock to him whether it's to play or sit on his lap to read a book.

Our Home In Iowa



Our home is a three bedroom ranch on a quiet street in a small suburb in Iowa. Our town has the small town feel even though it continues to grow. We are blessed to live in such a great neighborhood with such great neighbors. Our neighbors range from couples with small children to retired couples. We are one short block from a neighborhood park and trail, and less than a mile from the town library and aquatic center. We love the water so we plan to provide swimming lessons for your child. Our public school is also one of the top education institutions in Iowa.



Nursery





My Old Kentucky Home
With Nicci's Family

Our Family

Family is a priority in our life, which includes attending family gatherings, celebrations, or traveling to see family in Boston and Louisville, KY. We are blessed to have the majority of our family living in Iowa, with just a cousin and aunt and uncle living out of state. All of our family and friends are excited for our journey through adoption, and for us to become first time parents!



Nicci's Cousins on Her Mom's Side



Nicci's Cousins on Her Dad's Side



Joe's Mom & Dad's 40th Anniversary

Snap Shots



Iowa State Football VS UCONN
With Nicci's Cousin Kerri



Road Trip With Nicci's Family to
Kentucky For a Family Wedding



The Utah Border Traveling to OR



A Selfie With the Moose Statue in the Tetons



Camp Fire at Home



Iowa State Football Game



Rock Band with
Cousin Sophia



Camping and Playing
Cards With Niece Sydney

Dear Birthmother,

We are delighted to write this letter in support of our cousin Nicci and her husband Joe. Joe and Nicci are two of the kindest, generous, and patient people that we know. We have no doubt that they will be supportive and loving parents.

For all of the time that I have known Nicci she has been someone to look up to. She has the biggest heart of anyone that I know. Through my entire life she has been there for me. Through the good and bad. Although we were quite a few years apart she was always the older cousin that I knew would have time for me. She spent many hours braiding my hair and playing dolls with me! When she decided to pursue a teaching career in special education, I was not surprised at all. She is so loving and accepting of everyone and her patience astounds me! When I met Joe for the first time about ten years ago, the first thing that struck me was how madly in love with Nicci he was. This has not changed in the least! Joe is a tenderhearted soul and is very smart. We know that he will be a very level headed and loving parent.

Joe and Nicci have cared for our children numerous times from when they were infants until now. Our kids love to spend time with Nicci and Joe! They are always doing fun things with them and treat them like their own. Family is a huge priority for Nicci and Joe and whomever their child is, they will be number one in their lives. Every child deserves a loving home and family, and they would be lucky to have Joe and Nicci as theirs. The love between Nicci and Joe is so strong, we cannot wait to see it expand even more when they have a child of their own!

Sincerely,
Luke & Jacqueline

Dear Birthmother,

Joe and Nicci are two very caring people. Joe being the oldest in the family, his younger brothers would go to him for advice. He was always there for them and still is close to his family. They enjoy going to ball games together and picking out Christmas gifts for each other. Nicci fits well into the family taking great interest in the nieces and nephew. She always reads to and plays games with them. She will make a very good mother. They are both strong in their faith. I know they will be loving and caring parents.

Dorothy and Lawrence (Joe's Parents)



Dear Birthmother,

I have known Joe and Nicci for 5 years through work. It wouldn't take you 5 years, or rather even 5 minutes, to gather that Joe and Nicci are a very loving, patient, kind and intelligent couple. They love to travel, enjoy sporting events together and are wonderful friends to many, many people.

Working alongside Nicci has allowed me the opportunity to know her character well. I have been witness to her behaviors in day-to-day situations as well as very stressful situations. No matter what obstacle has presented itself, Nicci remains completely calm. She has often been asked to take on stressful, complex tasks at work because leadership recognizes her ability to deal with stressful situations with success.

Nicci and I have become close through the years as we have both struggled through the heartache of infertility. It is very apparent how much she and Joe long to be parents. Adoption has been on their hearts for many years. They are prepared to handle the responsibilities of an adoptive parent; they have a beautiful and safe home, are loving and patient with children and they would not take this blessing for granted. They are the perfect couple for adoption.

Sincerely

Leah (Friend and Co-Worker of Nicci's)

Dear Birthmother,

My name is Heather, I am Nicci's sister. Nicci and Joe are very kind and patient people. They do not have any children of their own however, they have always interacted in a kind and loving manner with my daughter Sydney as if she was their own child.

My sister Nicci is also my daughter's Godmother and if anything should ever happen to my husband and I, I know that my daughter will be well taken care of in a loving home. Nicci and Joe are always pleasant to each other and to others around them and have good family values. I have no doubt that they will be great parents! I feel that adoption is a wonderful option, and support them in this process 100%.

Heather (Nicci's Sister)



Our Promise ♥



We promise to raise your child in a happy home full of love, care, and compassion. We will strive to be the absolute best parents we can be in order to raise a happy and healthy child. He or she will know their adoption story. Your child will have the opportunity for a quality education and the ability to go to college. We will raise him or her with a strong faith in God and a love for family. We would be happy to share pictures, updates and travel for visits if you desire. We would be open to other wishes you may have.

With Love,
Joe & Nicci