

**Jaxen,
Dominic,
and Benny**



Ben & Amber



Why Adoption:

We are extremely excited to be using adoption as the way to add to our family. We had a 4th pregnancy but it sadly ended in miscarriage and Amber had to have a hysterectomy after that.

Since then we have always felt like there is more for us when it comes to having children. Since adoption is such a big factor in our lives with Ben being adopted at birth and then him adopting Amber's older two boys after we were married, it seems only fitting to continue with being chosen to love a precious baby.





About Ben

Ben is definitely more laid back and quieter than I am. He is gentle and soft spoken, which see everyday in how he treats others. As a parent, he sets a good example of work ethic and understanding our children at their level. He is quick to take them on many adventures such as fishing, boating, and playing sports. What I love about Ben is that he is a great partner. He is my best friend, easy to talk to, and a perfect person in my eyes. He is helpful, patient, and kind. Some of my favorite things about him are his sense of humor, the peace he brings to tough situations, and his goals for your families future. Ben brings a wonderful balance to our parenting skills. Our home is filled with joy because of his humor and fun-loving spirit. He is constantly making us laugh with his dad jokes. He is also extremely creative, he has built us a blanket rack, a coffee table, a large cat tree, two chests, and restored my great grandma's mirror. I am confident he will always be a good provider and that type of security gives me peace everyday.



About Amber:

Amber is a very passionate, kind, caring mother and spouse. She is always making sure that we are treated with physical and emotional support. She is outspoken about her feelings. If something isn't right she's sure to get to the bottom of it and look for a positive resolution. Education is important to us, making sure the kids keep up on their grades and try their best. She teaches our kids to treat others well. She is amazing at keeping organized with appointments, school, and sports events. She keeps the house well stocked, pre-plans meals, and laundry done. We all pitch in to keep the home clean but it's funny there's not a day when she doesn't get the vacuum out. When she starts to feel cooped up, that means it's time for a weekend or day trip going to the zoo, or movies or even visiting a much enjoyed restaurant. She is so much fun, always engaging us with fun sarcasm and good times. She loves keeping us a happy family and I'm so proud of all she does.





What we enjoy:

As a family we enjoy cooking, fishing, swimming, traveling just us and sometimes with extended family. The boys also enjoy being outside with friends in the neighborhood, going to the park, and playing video games. Ben and I enjoy concerts (we have been to over 22 concerts together in our 9 years!), gardening, and working out together.

We met using an online dating site. We've been together over 9 years and married over 8 years.





Our Life:

Our life is about making fun memories. We have been married for over 8 years. We have a pet friendly home. We love to travel, watch our children play sports, and we enjoy family time like eating good food, joking around together, and playing card games. We live in a small town. On any given day our children are playing outside with friends or spending time at the park. After having our youngest child Benny, we miscarried which led to not being able to have more children. With only having boys, we feel our family would be more complete with a daughter/little sister.



Our Home:

We live in a house in a small town in Iowa. We enjoy that it is safe and quiet. Our children have many friends in our town that they can go visit with just a short bike ride. We have two parks, a city pool, an ice cream shop, a few mom and pop shops all within walking or biking distance. We enjoy all four seasons, but we especially love fall for the cooler weather so we can take longer walks with the dogs or bike rides as a family. We also enjoy being in the backyard around a fire, watching the kids play their sports, and playing catch with the dogs. We live within 45 minutes of most of our family members, some as close as 10 minutes away.

