

We are a loving Family from New Jersey. Our cozy home is situated in a suburban neighborhood, providing a safe and nurturing environment for a child to grow. In 2024, we adopted our first child, Maya. She is the light of our world and we cannot wait to complete our family with another beautiful child. We are dynamic and driven individuals. Adventure fills our souls as we eagerly seek new experiences and embrace the wonders of the world around us. Our organized nature allows us to create a structured and stable environment for our family, ensuring every need is met. Empathy and understanding flow naturally through our veins, as we genuinely care about the feelings and well-being of others.





Our story actually begins years before we started dating. Meghan was a senior in high school and John a freshman in college. Meghan was visiting on a recruiting visit for softball and was going to breakfast with some of the girls from the team in Feb 2007. Although John doesn't remember, he was at breakfast with us that morning.

Over the next couple of years, we would see each other in passing on campus, occasionally see each other at parties, and he often attended softball games. We never really interacted at that point. It wasn't until Sept of 2009 when we attended the same party. We didn't talk much that night either, but John got Meghan's AOL Instant Messenger screenname and messaged her the next day. We began talking and hanging out around that time and made it official October 15, 2009. John graduated school in May 2010 and Meghan completed her degree in physical therapy in May of 2013. We did a long-distance relationship from 2010-2013. In April of 2014 John moved closer and we were engaged in January 2015. We got married October 14, 2016 and eventually moved to our current home in June 2017. In 2020 we adopted our fur baby, Champ. In 2024, we grew our family further with our first adoption of Maya.

Professionally, Meghan is a dedicated Physical Therapist, while John works as a meticulous Accountant. These careers not only fuel our passion for hard work and success but also instill a sense of responsibility and stability in our lives. We are committed to providing a secure and comfortable life for our growing family. We find joy in a variety of activities such as playing sports, watching movies and TV shows, traveling, cooking, and spending quality time with our cherished family and friends. Together our little family enjoys the outdoors, hiking, travelling, and above all else trying new cuisines.

The reason we have chosen adoption is deeply rooted in our own personal journey. From a young age, we learned that it would not be possible for us to have children of our own. However, this realization only increased our desire to grow our family and share our boundless love with a child. After our amazing adoption experience with Maya, we have chosen to grow our family through adoption.











Promises to Expectant Parent(s)

First and foremost, thank you! Thank you so much for even considering helping us to grow our family. It takes a truly altruistic person to consider helping a complete stranger. Your selfless nature will be cherished for years to come. We will be forever indebted to the person and family that helps us to expand ours.

We cannot imagine the difficulty and challenges that you have had to overcome to get you to where you are today. Your courage and strength to get you to this point are truly admirable. We hope that we are able to put into words our deep appreciation for you and your family as you make one of the most difficult decisions of your life. Everyone has a unique and different story to tell. The hurdles that you have encountered and overcome help to connect us as humans. We share the commonality that we are rooted in love and hope. Love for others and hope that standing together with a community builds us into even stronger people.

We picture endless amounts of belly laughs, late nights and early mornings, hours upon hours participating in whichever activity our child engages , and years of memories. We promise to love your child unconditionally. We promise to raise them to chase their dreams and will support them every step of the way. We promise to give them opportunities to explore the world and experience the wonders it has to share. We promise to teach them to be kind, compassionate, and empathetic.

Your selflessness is giving us the greatest gift that we could ask for: a son or daughter of our very own. Not only this, but you're giving us precious moments of laughter after playing chase in the yard, tears and comfort after a trip and fall, unlimited hugs and kisses, and the list goes on and on. Being able to watch our child grow up, go through milestones and accomplish their own achievements as they go through life will bring so much joy and contentment to our own lives. Having another child will also bring a sense of unconditional love that we don't think we will truly appreciate until we meet our little bundle of joy. To care so deeply for this child, and to do anything and everything for him or her, not out of obligation but as an extension of our own being is overwhelming to say the least. We will always think of you with gratitude and admiration. We promise to share your love and bravery with your child often.









About Maya -







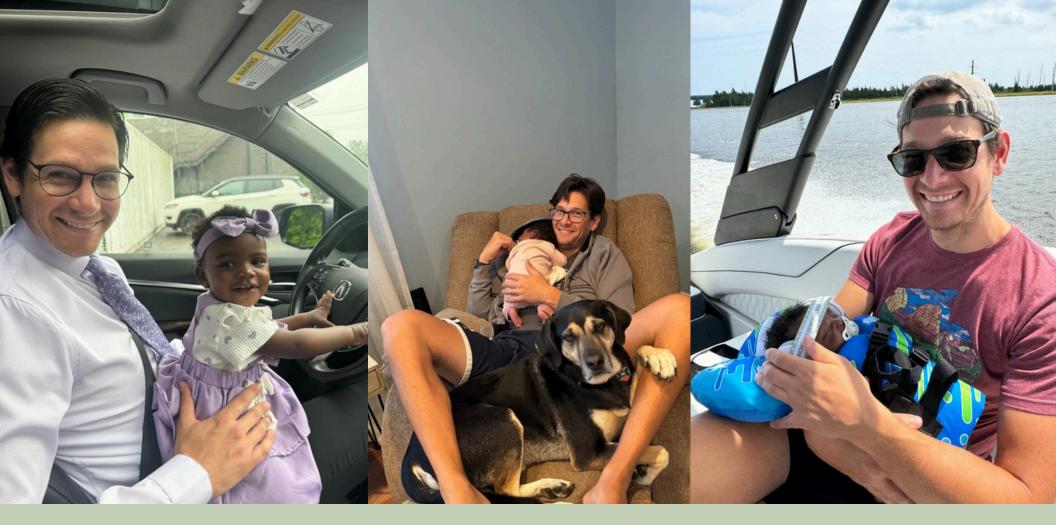
Maya is a lovable, vibrant, and happy 1.5 year old. We warmly welcomed her into our family when she was born in July of 2024, just 3 days after we officially matched with her birth mother. The amazing experience with our first adoption furthered our desire to embark on this journey again. While Maya is unable to say this, we know she will be the best big sister to your child. Together, they can bond and share their adoption journey with one another.



About Meghan

Meghan is a confident person who often looks at the world from the bright side. Even in times of adversity, she tends to find the positives. She is resilient, altruistic, dependable, loyal and decisive. Her friends and family are her entire world and she would do anything for those she loves and cares about. As a mother, Meghan is caring and warm. As a physical therapist, she has helped reinforce Maya's developmental growth and milestones while making it fun and educational. She is disciplined in setting boundaries for Maya but is comforting and fully present.





About John

John is passionate, empathetic, and selfless. He will pour his blood, sweat, and tears into a focused goal. His compassion and openness to love are also that make him approachable and easy to get along with. As a father, John is goofy and loving. He is able to put a smile on Maya's face at any moment. At the same time, he is a steadfast and reliable husband/father.











CHAMP

Champ is a 6 year old hound mix that we adopted in the fall of 2020. He is a loving, gentle, and playful dog. He provides us with endless amounts of love and cuddles. Champ is part of our family and travels with us on weekends to our families. He loves going with us on the boat, beach and hikes. Champ and Maya are best friends. He watches over her and lets us know if she needs attending to. Champ is gentle and doesn't mind when Maya reaches into his bowl while eating, pets him vigorously, or pushes him away.





Feelings about Adoption & Openness

Adoption is an important part of our current family dynamic and culture. As we raise Maya, we constantly remind her of what a blessing she is to our family. We frequently talk about how her birth mother loved her so much that she chose us to give her a life that her birth mother was unable to provide. As Maya grows, we want her to understand that adoption is something to be proud of and not ashamed of. As she grows, we plan to continue to integrate her adoption into her life. As we embark on our next adoption journey, we plan to continue to instill the gift of adoption into our next child. We believe that having a sibling who is also adopted, will allow each child to have a companion in their adoption experience.



Christmas is one of our favorite holidays. We love gathering with both sides of our family and enjoying the joy of all the little ones in our life. We spend Christmas around those we love and with delicious food and drinks. Every Christmas, Meghan's mom gets everyone matching Christmas Pajamas and we all gather together in the morning for a group Christmas Photo. Even Champ joins the fun! One celebration that we are excited to build into our family tradition is Maya's Adoption Day on October 30th. As Maya grows, we have plans to expand our tradition of cake and dinner into a party with family and friends to celebrate her official adoption. We want Maya to grow to be proud of her adoption and celebrate the love and happiness we all share for one another. This will be another celebration we create for our future adopted child as well



Hobbies and Passions

Travel is a passion we share together and hope we can instill a love for adventure in our future child. When we are not spending time with our family and friends, taking Maya and Champ on local hikes, cooking, trialing new restaurants, or sampling craft beer, we love to travel. We believe there is so much more to the world than the snap shot we experience during our day to day lives. Immersing ourselves in different cultures, exploring different cities, and trying new things brings about a sense of satisfaction and happiness.





We live in a single-family split-level house on ~0.5 acres of land. We have been in this quiet suburban community for 8 years. Our fenced-in back yard and built-in swimming pool is a great place for us to host friends, family and children for summer barbecues. Our neighborhood is a quiet one with plenty of neighbors out and about. On any given sunny day you can find people walking their dogs, families pushing strollers, or kids riding bikes on the street. Our community has diversity and varying family units. We are nearby to local schools, community centers, parks, and necessities. We are less than 5 minutes from a state park that we often visit for hiking.

We are also fortunate enough to have homes away from our home. Meghan's parents own 2 homes, the one in which she grew up in and a small bungalow about 1 hour away from us on the water. Here they keep their boat. Many summer weekends or days are spent amongst family cruising on the boat. John's parents' home is located in a beach town with a five-minute walk to the ocean. Some of our fondest memories together occur during sunrises and evening fireworks on the beach.







Family & Friends

Our immediate family, Meghan, John, Maya, and Champ enjoy spending a lot of time together. We enjoy eating our meals together, spending time outside, and travelling to new places. Family is an integral part of our lives. With FaceTime, text messaging, and phone calls it is a rare day that we do not communicate with both sides of our family. Our parents are equal partners in Maya's child care. John's parents spend 2 nights a week to care for Maya while Meghan's family watches Maya 2 days a week. We even spend weekends with our family at the beach or on the boat.

Our social circle and network is very large and consists of childhood friends and college roommates. We tend to attend barbecues at one another's houses, go to brunches in NYC, go for dinner/drinks, and celebrate life milestones. Whether it is on the ski mountain, at the beach, or relaxing at one another's home, we truly enjoy the time we get to spend with our friends and family.





Aside from Maya, our life is filled with kids. Many of our closest friends and family have children and our typical outings have evolved to include them in everything we do. The closest children in our life are our goddaughters/nieces, Allie "9 years old", Maddie "6 years old", and Meghan's godson, Russell "7 years old". In the summer, we spend countless hours on the beach rolling around in the sand, jumping waves, riding boogie boards, and enjoying ice cream. We love taking Allie and Maddie to our house for a sleepover with Meggie and Uncle Yanni. Allie loves coming to our house to jump in leaf piles, make s'mores over the fire, and cuddle on the couch with "Champy." Russell is an energetic 7-year-old who loves to have dance parties and come swimming in our pool. He adores Champ and loves to chase him in our back yard.





Thank you

