

Dear Expectant Parent,

Thank you so much for taking the time to read this letter and for considering us to adopt and parent your child. We understand that this is a difficult decision and we want to empathize with your heart to do the best thing for your baby. You are respected and appreciated greatly by us both for this journey you are on.

When we started dating back in 2017, we each talked about adoption and knew that was a parenting route we wanted to take, regardless of whether or not we could have biological children. We got married in 2019 and one year later we found out Stephen had cancer. The lifesaving treatments he endured left us unable to have biological children, and after taking some time to process, we felt ready to move forward with our adoption pursuit.

Stephen is a funny, loyal, generous person and would be an amazing father. He has so much patience, kindness, and compassion for me (Madelynn) and everyone he meets. Stephen is one of those people that can make lifelong friends almost instantly, and has a contagious smile that brings joy to everyone he meets. He is a hard worker and always strives to learn something new everyday. He loves reading books to strengthen his knowledge of himself and the world. He enjoys having deep conversations with his friends and is just an amazing person all around. He is real and authentic from the second you meet him, and I love that I get to be his best friend and lifelong partner.

Madelynn is the definition of empathetic. She always seeks to understand where people are coming from, and meet them where they are, not where they think they need to be. Madelynn is able to make lasting and important connections with people, and be whatever level of support they need. She is smart, funny, creative, and always looking to learn new hobbies. She would make an amazing mother, who would constantly strive for the betterment of her children. Madelynn has been my (Stephen) most amazing partner in life, supporting me emotionally, physically, and spiritually through the entire cancer treatment. I can say that without her friendship, love, and loyalty, I would not be here today.

Stephen comes from a large family of 14 and Madelynn is the oldest of 3 kids - that's a lot of siblings & cousins! We are very close with both of our families who are loving and supportive of our adoption plans and are ready to welcome a whole new family into their own. Our vision for our family home one day is a place where our children are loved and accepted no matter who they are or who they want to be. We believe in having a good faith-structure in our home, but want our children to make their own decisions and know they have the freedom to be themselves too.

Once again we thank you for your time and consideration. We are praying for you even now that you will experience peace, guidance, and the confidence in your decision with the couple you choose, whomever they may be.

With gratitude,  
Madelynn & Stephen