



Before we show you a glimpse of our life, we first want to thank you so much for taking the time to learn more about us. Open adoption with our sons' birth families has positively influenced our lives in ways we never thought possible, and we hope we can make you feel more at peace about your adoption decision.

In March of 2016 and May of 2019, we had the opportunity to adopt two incredible newborn boys.



Bringing home Luke and Cole was so exciting yet emotional at the same time and gave our lives new meaning. Scott's employer was incredibly supportive of us during these times both financially and by allowing him to have a paternity leave with full pay. He plans to utilize a paternity leave again with our next adoption.

Although not being able to conceive biological children was not in our initial plan, Luke and Cole are the best thing that ever happened to us and we wouldn't trade our adoption experiences for the world!

We have two incredibly positive, open adoptions with their birth families and we feel excited, experienced, and ready to go down this adoption road again.





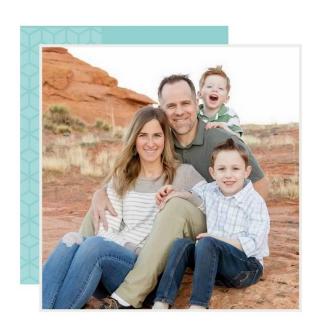
Luke's birth mother: "Being a birth mother I had to make the right decision for my baby and come to one of the hardest decisions of my life. I knew right from the moment I met Katie and Scott, they were the ones that would be the perfect parents. We have agreed on an open adoption and I couldn't be happier. They have been supportive, genuinely interested in getting to know who I am, very open, and they involve me as much as they can in Luke's life. I love getting pictures and videos and knowing without a doubt Luke is where he belongs and he is having the best life. I couldn't imagine it any other way. It has not only helped me emotionally heal but it has also overwhelmed me with peace and love.

"Katie and Scott have made me feel that this adoption journey is nothing but an extension of family. And I just have to say that I'm always a little jealous of the fun adventures they take Luke on and all of the family vacations! But it makes me so happy that they do!"

Cole's birth mother: "First of all, if you've found yourself here, my heart goes out to you. You've got a decision ahead of you that is probably the hardest thing you'll ever do. I empathize with you and have so much respect for you. By the same token, if you've found yourself here on this page, I encourage you to take your time and look at everything this family have written and shared. In short, if you could pick your own parents, you'd certainly choose them! For your little one on the way, I know personally you want the absolute best. That's who you'll find here. They are very unique in that they are so informed, educated about healthy living, active, and always busy doing fun, family activities. This is the family you want to be a part of! And that's how they make us feel--like we are a part of the family, too. I get updates and pictures exactly how we had pre-agreed upon, which is amazing! I feel like I have a very active role in my son's life.

"Katie, all I can say, is an INCREDBILE mom! She's got seemingly endless energy and patience and unconditional love. She's up for a challenge and she couldn't be any more genuinely kind and considerate. She has come to be my good friend and I am SO blessed that she chose to raise my son. Scott is quiet and gentle. He's a handson dad and quick to jump in and play! My greatest impression of Scott is that Katie couldn't be the unstoppable force of nature she is, without the support of the amazing husband she has. He leads this family and they are off to great places! My son has a great father. And Luke is a very loving, playful big brother. All Cole wants to do is be just like Luke! I pray they stay best friends forever.

"Well, expectant mother, I dont envy you. You have a tough decision ahead, but I hope you see how happy and blessed I am to have chosen this family. This was the right family for me and I hope you find the right family for you. <3"



Being a family of four has been a blast, but we feel there is another little one waiting to join in on the fun with these big brothers!







MEET SCOTT

Age 40 Currently lives in: Southern Utah

Born in: Northern Utah

Religion: Christian (LDS)

Number of siblings: 4
Number of nieces/nephews: 14
College: BYU (Bachelor's), ASU (Master's)

Occupation: Project Manager for a bank

Married since: 2011

Places lived: Utah, Cambodia, Nevada,

California, North Carolina,

Arizona

Favorites

Sports to watch: Football & basketball

Sports to do: Motocross, hockey, wakeboarding

Hobbies: Traveling, camping, technology, tinkering

with things Vacations: Cambodia, Lake Powell, Caribbean

Food: Ice Cream

TV Shows: Seinfeld, The Office

Animal: Parrot

Random Facts: I speak Cambodian fluently, I could live

off cereal, I can quote the entire movie
Dumb and Dumber







Scott (according to Katie)

Growing up just down the street from each other, Scott was always my older brother's best friend. We became best friends as I got older, and as I would go to him for dating advice, I realized that he was exactly what I was looking for in a future spouse. What stood out the most to me was that he is strong in our religion, he is driven in his education and career, he is great with Kids, and he is fun to be around (although enjoys pushing my buttons at times!). He genuinely always wants me to be happy and constantly showers me with compliments and Kisses. Although he "tries" to look tough and do tough things, he is a big teddy bear and a solid provider for our family. Watching Scott walk through the door and hearing Luke and Cole yell, "Dada!!!" and the bear hugs that follow will never get old, and we can't wait to add more children to the mix.















MEET KATIE

Age: 32 Currently lives in: Southern Utah

Born in: Northern Utah Religion: Christian (LDS)

Number of siblings: 7

Number of nieces/nephews: 8

College: BYU (Bachelor's) Occupation: Stay-at-home mom Married since: 2011

Places lived: Utah, North Carolina, Arizona

Favorites

Sports: Soccer, running, dirt biking, wakeboarding, pickleball Interests: Playing with Luke and Cole, shopping, the beach, playing

video games with my family

Vacations: Lake Powell, the Caribbean

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Food: Cheeseburgers + fries
Treat: Cookies
TV Shows: The Vampire Diaries, Once
Upon a Time, The Office,
Pretty Little Liars, Riverdale
Animals: Dolphins and Owls

Random Facts: I love to listen to Taylor Swift,
I'm a match-a-holic and am
always matching my clothes, I
love to eat just the frosting off
cake, I am an expert on Guitar

Hero













Katie (according to Scott)

Throughout the time that I have known Katie, she has always been a fun and loving person to be around. Her love for me has always been unconditional and unwavering and I have seen her pass that same love to Luke and Cole while dedicating her life to making sure they are loved, happy and safe. I have never seen someone with as much energy to play with and love children as she does! That is probably why my family loves her so much and loves to have their children spend time with her. She has such a deep love for children that she gives them her all, sometimes even making me a little bit jealous! One of the reasons we initially became best friends is because Katie is very easy to get along with. I know that Katie is excited to have more children that she can raise, spend time with, and become best friends with.

MEET LUKE





Luke was born in March 2016 and is such a joy to have in our home. He is the most energetic, outgoing, carefree kid you'll ever meet, and he actually embarrasses his parents more than the other way around!

He is into swimming, soccer, riding his dirt bike, and he loves to have dance parties. His goal in life is to make people laugh (especially Cole) and he lights up any room. He is the best big brother, and as he tells us frequently, "the more siblings the better!"

We became a forever family when everything finalized just six months after Luke's adoption. Luke's birth family traveled to be a part of this special day.











MEET COLE





Cole was born in May 2019 and is as determined as toddlers come. He loves to do whatever Luke is doing and follows him everywhere.

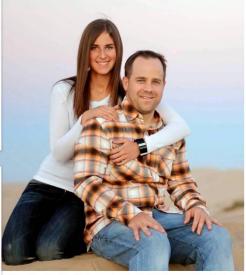
He is always on-the-go and working on something--we joke that he is Scott's mini. He loves to play with cars, ride his bike and quad, and swim. We have no doubt that he will be the sweetest big brother.

At the end of 2019, his adoption finalized and we became a forever family. It was such a special experience and even Luke was brought to tears.



How We Met





We "technically" met when Katie moved into Scott's neighborhood in Utah when she was 3 and Scott was 12. One day, he came over to her house for scouts and when Katie answered the door in a pull-up, it was love at first sight! After about 15 years of Scott hanging around Katie's older brother (and Katie), we decided to start dating.



Although we had been best friends for 4 years, by the time we started dating, we were each going to schools that were 700 miles apart. Even though it wasn't your ideal dating situation, we made it work and had a lot of fun traveling to visit each other. Our cell talk time averaged 3 hours a day, and we learned that T-Mobile disconnects you after 4 hours and 6 minutes of talking! After a year and a half of long distance, our communication skills became rock solid.

HOME SWEET HOME IN









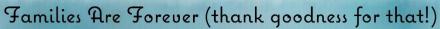
Our dream has always been to raise our kids in a place where we can walk out our front door and already be at the trails! Southern Utah offers just that. In 2021, we finally pulled the trigger and moved from Arizona! Scott took a 100% remote work position and we began building our dream home. It is a 6-bedroom home with plenty of room for growth! There are tons of kids nearby and there is also a brand new school in the neighborhood that we love.











Scott's family does a Lake Powell trip every couple of years that is our favorite, most talked-about vacation. Katie's family loves to get together and watch home videos and play board games such as Settlers of Catan and Apples-to-Apples. Luke and Cole are obsessed with cousins!



Last time at Lake Powell, Grandpa gave money to any of the grandkids who tried wakeboarding or skiing! They were all so excited and kids as young as 4 attempted!















SHARED HOBBIES & INTERESTS













Scott and Katie are best friends and are inseparable. One thing we are firm believers in when it comes to having a successful marriage and family is having hobbies and interests that we enjoy participating in together. We love to travel the world and have been to many places from Asia to Mexico to the Caribbean.



People like to think that when you have a child, the fun activities are over. We, on the other hand, have just continued doing the activities we love, only our kids tag along with us.





A typical week consists of hiking, visiting museums, parks, playing pickleball, and riding our RZR. We enjoy taking our RV into the mountains, boating, working out together, cooking together, driving remote control cars, or just throwing a football in our backyard. We always manage to make each other laugh and have a fun time.

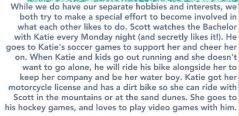














Thank you for reading our story!



The amount of love we have for each other, our future children, our family, our kids birth families and life in general felt nearly impossible to convey in just a few short pages. We hope that you enjoyed this small glimpse of our life and can see how genuinely excited we are at the possibility of sharing every bit of it with another child.

We wish you all the best in this journey, and please do not hesitate to reach out to us with any questions.

With much love, Scott, Katio, Luke + Colo