Matt and Kaitlin
The Sasses
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Dear Friend,

We want you to know how much love and respect we feel for you already. We cannot imagine what a difficult decision this must be, please know that we will be with you every step of the way in our thoughts, prayers and actions.

We hope that this book helps demonstrate the love we have not only for each other, but also for our future children. We are blessed in so many ways but have struggled with the one thing that matters most to us... starting a family. It is difficult to put into words how excited we are to become parents and welcome a child into our home, we hope that we are everything you are looking for in an adoptive family.

If you choose to include us in your adoption journey, we promise:
- We will love, care for and protect your baby.
- We will make sure that your baby has room to make mistakes and still be loved.
- We will give your baby every chance to pursue their academic, athletic & other life goals.
- We believe that everyone deserves to know where they come from, we will share your story with your baby so that they may understand your strength and the true depth of your love.
We both grew up in the Midwest and attended the University of Minnesota. Oddly enough, we met for the first time five years later outside of Portland, Oregon.

We were both out on a hike and started talking at the trailhead, hit it off, and ended up spending the rest of the day together. We quickly realized we had a lot in common with our love of the great outdoors, our core values and goals, and our fun loving, positive view on life. We finished the date with cliff jumping into frigid glacier water and have been adventuring together ever since.

Over the next three years we adopted a dog, purchased a home, and watched our relationship grow with each new experience shared together. Matt proposed during a ski-cation at our favorite mountain and we were married the following summer. Fast forward another three years to today, we are still madly in love with one another and looking for a kiddo to share our adventures with.
Meet Matt

Age: 33
Occupation: Engineer
Interests: Soccer, skiing, chess, running, Hawaiian shirts, paddleboarding, backpacking, & anything outdoorsy
Can’t Live Without: Chipotle burritos :)}
In Kait’s Words...

Matt will be an AMAZING dad. He’s adventurous, smart, passionate and faces challenges head on. What I love most about him is how he helps me see the world from a different perspective, convinces me step out of my comfort zone and is always down for an adventure.

Matt's the introvert in the relationship but has no problem making friends wherever he goes. More than anything he values the strong friendships he has made over and years which is something I admire about him. He is still close with many childhood friends which really shows how loyal, loving and fun his character is.

Matt enjoys the great outdoors, being active and trying new things. He plays soccer multiple nights a week, skis all winter, runs races with friends and family all over the country, prefers online chess to social media and knows how to cook a perfect steak.

He is respectful, honest and encourages others to look at the positives in life, even if it isn't easy. After three years of marriage, Matt's still my best friend. I look forward to seeing him after work at the end of a long day and spending weekends adventuring together.
Meet Kaitlin

Age: 33
Occupation: Food Scientist
Interests: Running, hiking, music, reading, downhill skiing, cooking / baking, Karaoke
Can’t Live Without: Coffee and Bubble Baths
Kaitlin is a classic extrovert and possesses a unique positive energy that I’ve witnessed first hand benefit those around her. She makes friends effortlessly and creates a fun atmosphere wherever she goes. She enjoys music and as a former show choir performer has an amazing voice, I sometimes jokingly call her a Disney princess. She loves animals, especially cows, which I attribute to her Green Bay, WI upbringing. She is an amazing chef. Her passion for cooking led her to pursue a Food Science degree which has opened the door for an exciting R&D career.

What I love most though is how adventurous and competitive she is. She is incredibly talented and succeeds at virtually everything she tries; brutal distance running races, learning Spanish to better communicate with her employees, joining my overly competitive co-ed soccer league with no prior experience, (the list goes on), I’m extremely proud to call her my wife. Also, the competitiveness goes both ways, we are constantly pushing each other to explore and take on new challenges.

She is amazing and I can’t wait to watch as her passion & drive is directed toward raising a child, she will absolutely make a great mother someday.
Meet Lola

Age: 4
Occupation: Dog Model
Interests: Being cute, begging for food scraps, rolling in the snow, hanging out with friends
Can’t Live Without: Her favorite stuffed lobster toy
In Matt and Kait's Words:

We adopted Lola when she was a newborn puppy and she has been an amazing addition to the family. She is smart, gets along great with other dogs and humans, is well behaved and is the best doggo ever (in our humble opinion). She is our adventure pooch and joins us on all of our excursions from trips to the coast to romping in the snow. We feel lucky to have her in the family.
We love the great outdoors - hiking, backpacking, skiing, paddle boarding, camping, the list is endless. We enjoy traveling and experiencing different cultures and cuisines in the US and abroad. We have appreciated the adventure life has provided for us thus far and are excited to start the next chapter with a new addition to the family.
Adventures

Kauai, Hawaii
Positano, Italy
Redwood Forest
Columbia Gorge
Mt Rainier
Oregon Coast
Loreto, Mexico
Hall & Oates 2022
I absolutely love my family. We get along great and stay in touch as much as possible given the distance between us. I trust all of them completely and can say with absolute certainty they will make a phenomenal support system as our family grows.

My parents (Kurt & Beth) live in Arizona and have already claimed our guest room for an extended stay once the next grandchild arrives. They raised me right and I'm genuinely thankful for the values & knowledge they shared throughout my childhood.

My brother and his wife (Kyle & Emily) live in Minnesota and are expecting their first child any day now. Kait and I are honored to act as Godparents for the new baby girl.
I grew up very close to my family and had an amazing childhood. My parents were always supportive of my dreams and ambitions and raised me to be respectful and welcoming to everyone. I have an older brother and sister who have always looked out for me and taught me life lessons that helped me grow into a confident and caring individual. We are a quirky group and we live life to the fullest with no regrets.

Both my brother and sister have kids that are smart and active in the community and growing up too fast. Although we live 2,000 miles apart we still travel back home to visit frequently, go on family vacations together, and catch up regularly with phone chats to keep in touch.

My family can't wait to welcome a new addition and we look forward to extended visits once we have a kiddo. The guest bedroom is set up and ready to host.
Friends and Community

Kait's Besties

Backpacking

1/2 Marathon

Hike & Swim

Tahoe Vibes

Xmas w/ the Boys

Bridesmaids
"There are friends, there is family, and then there are friends that become family" - Unknown

Throughout the years we have befriended many wonderful people that have positively impacted our lives. We have created memories and traditions together and continue to stay in touch no matter where we are in life. Our friends, neighbors and co-workers have been the best support group and are our biggest cheerleaders for growing our family.

We are incredibly blessed to have these individuals in our lives and look forward to introducing them to the newest member of the Sass family.
Welcome! We own a 4 bedroom, 3 bath single family home. Our favorite feature is the openness and lighting provided by the large second story windows in the main living area. Some other highlights include a large back yard, a community park 1 block away and numerous friendly neighbors with a bunch of kids.

We are located ~1hr from hikes & wilderness adventures as well as world class skiing and other winter/snow related activities. There are also many city parks and outdoors facilities close by.

There are currently two open bedrooms that we are excited to transform into a baby room and a play room.
Traditions are an important and fun opportunity to gather and enjoy some of our favorite activities as a family. We make every attempt to spend the holidays with family but if we aren't able to celebrate in person we continue and are together in spirit.

Every July 4th we go camping, every January we spend a week at a new ski resort, on Thanksgiving day we run a turkey trot and spend the rest of the day cooking, eating and being thankful with family, during the Holiday season Kait makes Christmas favorites from recipes passed from her grandma and on Christmas day we start with presents and then get outside to enjoy skiing, ice skating or a winter hike. We are excited to someday pass these same traditions along to our children.
Thank you again for taking the time to get to know us. We want you to know that we will love your child unconditionally, provide them with the most love and support humanly possible, and raise them to be respectful and accepting of others. We want your child to know where they came from, understand their heritage and appreciate the sacrifice you are making for them as much as we do. From the bottom of our hearts, we thank you.

Sincerely,
Matthew & Kaitlin Sass