



Rachel & Rob





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*Our first trip to the Grand Canyon, 2015*

Dear Birthmom,

Thank you so much for taking the time to learn about us and for considering us as you make the difficult decision of who will parent your child. We hope this book gives you a glimpse into the love we have for each other, our families, and our future child. We are over the moon to become parents and welcome a child into our home and our family.

We decided we wanted to adopt before we were married, and adoption has always been something we have wanted to do and have been excited for. In fact, we have never even tried to build our family any other way. Adoption has been, and continues to be, our first choice for how we become parents and grow our family.

We want you to know that we love and respect you already. We cannot imagine what a difficult decision this is for you, and we hope that you will have the strength and courage you need as you journey through this process. We know that you want what is best for your baby, and we pray that you will find us to be all that you hope for your child.

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Roadtrip to Sedona, AZ



In the Redwoods of California



Overlooking a beach in Oregon

# About Us



Rob's Sister's Wedding

# Rachel & Rob

Established 2008



**Engaged, 2007**



**Married, 2008**



**First House, 2009**

We were both born and raised in central Pennsylvania, Harrisburg area. We met at church, eleven years ago, in separate high schools at the time. We became high school sweethearts, and we knew almost immediately that we would end up together. After about two years of dating, Rob proposed, and we were married in June, 2008. We both come from large families, close with our cousins and siblings, and we always knew that we wanted to add our own kids to the mix. Family is extremely important to us, and we are so excited to add a child to ours.

A man with a beard and glasses, wearing a dark jacket and blue jeans, stands in the hollow of a massive redwood tree. The tree's trunk is thick and textured, with a dark, shadowed interior. The surrounding forest is lush with green foliage and ferns.

Rob

Standing in a giant Redwood

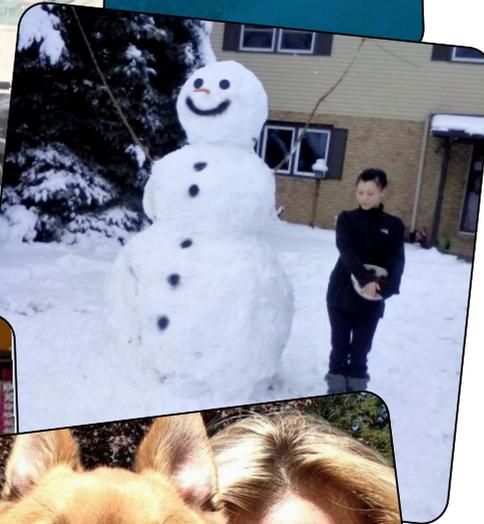


**What Rachel has to say:**  
Rob will make a great dad! He is always ready for an adventure, and he makes life fun. He is thoughtful, protective, and a great provider. Rob seems to have a knack for making friends, and people regularly come to him for advice. He loves being outdoors, running the bar-b-q, fixing up the house, and keeping himself active. Rob will support our child in all of his or her interests, whether that means becoming a scout leader, coaching a sports team, going to music lessons, or helping organize dance recitals. Rob will put our child's interests first.



Rachel

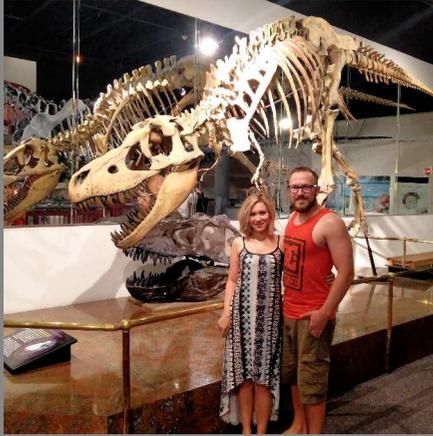
Hiking at South Mountain



## What Rob has to say:

Rachel will make an awesome mom! She's smart, witty, quick, and the most honest person I know. Rachel can't wait to be a stay-at-home mom, and I'm so happy that our child will have so much undivided love and attention every day. Rachel loves entertaining, and her baking is phenomenal. She loves going to sporting events, especially hockey games, "The Nutcracker" ballet, and concerts - traditions that started with her and her Dad and will carry on with our child.

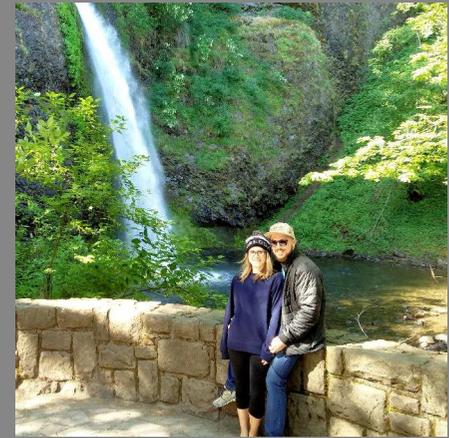
# Adventures



Museum visit



Las Vegas



Waterfalls in Oregon



Redwood forest



Diamondbacks Game



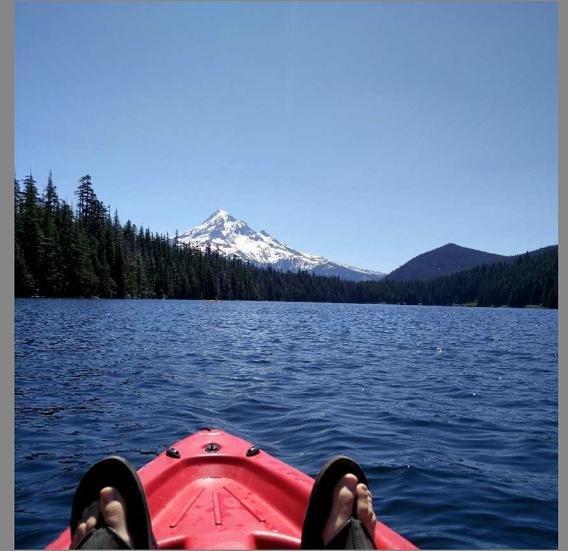
Trip to Seattle Aquarium



Camping, Eureka, CA

We are very active and live to be outdoors. We enjoy day trips and exploring, and we can't wait to take our future child along on our adventures. We love nature and sightseeing, and we spend a lot of time hiking around the many parks and nature preserves around our neighborhood and throughout the Phoenix valley.

We love kayaking, paddle boarding, and exploring all the beautiful sights that Arizona has to offer.



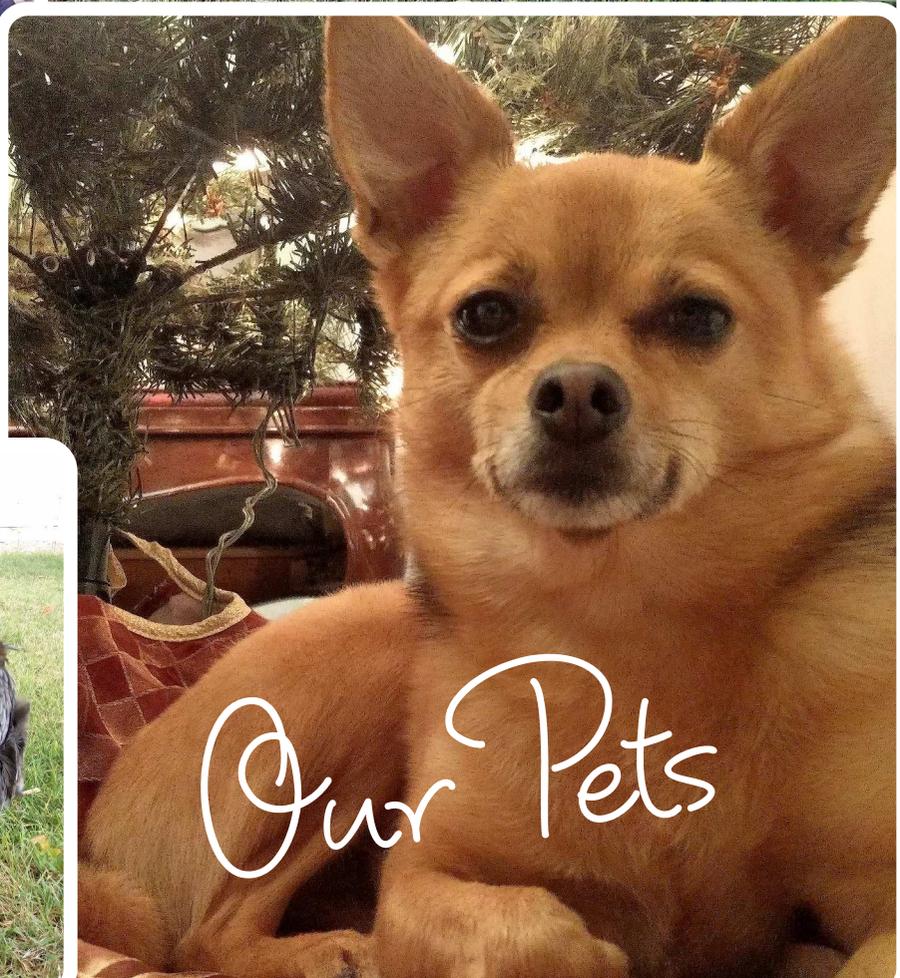
Kayaking by Mt Hood



Lake Tobias, PA



Escape room



Our Pets

We have a chihuahua/pomeranian mix, Alfie, and four backyard chickens, Vivian, Fiona, Margo, and Charlotte. Alfie is eight years old and still a little ball of energy. He's great with kids, and he'll love having a little one around to pet his belly and throw treats on the floor. The hens are also sweet, and they give us fresh eggs daily along with plenty of laughs, watching their goofy antics.



We live in a quiet neighborhood in Phoenix, Arizona. We have a large back yard with plenty of room to run around and play. We love hosting friends and relatives, whether they're in for the week from out of town or just dropping by for dinner. We love living close to parks, restaurants, and endless miles of hiking trails. We moved to Arizona and bought our home about two years ago, and Rob has had a fun time renovating to make it just right for our family. We both love to cook, and our home activities often center around the kitchen.

### Rachel's Family:

I have a large extended family. We have a lot of family traditions, like baking cookies with Mom around the holidays, and I'm excited to share them with our new little one.

My cousins are close like brothers and sisters, and with a newly-added niece, I'm happy our baby will have cousins close to their age too. I talk, text, or facetime someone in my family almost every day, and when we visit Pennsylvania, it gives us an excuse to get the whole clan together.



Paddleboarding with Mom



Hanging out with Mom and sister (and Alfie)



My "baby" brother  
Jeremy & cousin Leslie



At the beach in DE for  
my Mom's wedding



PA summer with Mom  
and sister Marrisra



Enjoying sister's wedding  
with Mom & cousins



Trying on hats with Mom



My new niece, Rosie, born  
this July



Christmas get-together  
with the family



Goofing around at a  
family bar-b-q

### Rob's Family:

My sister and I grew up with our parents in PA, where my parents still live. I also grew up really close with my cousins, spending holidays and summer breaks together. My sister also just had a baby - 2 nieces in 2 weeks this summer! I've been blessed with a few lifelong friends who are excited to play the role of uncles. One of my fondest family traditions is going fishing every year with my Dad, and I look forward to carrying on the tradition with our child.



Sister Joy's Wedding



Touring a museum with Mom & Dad



Fishing with Dad then



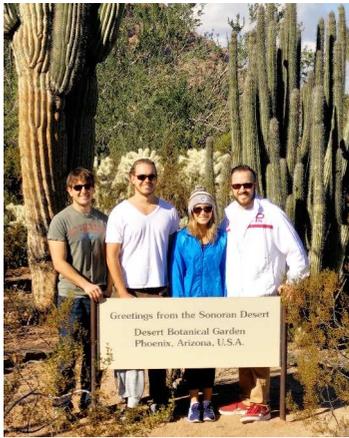
Fishing with Dad now



Just back from kayaking  
with fam in PA



Christmas with my  
parents and Grandma



Friends like brothers



My new niece, Riley, also  
born this July



Sightseeing in Sedona  
with Mom & Dad



Goofing around with my  
brother-in-law, Ben



Touring Christmas lights



Picking out a pumpkin in  
Flagstaff, AZ



High school sweethearts

# By the Stats:



My first blacktip shark in FL

**Age:** 29

**Occupation:** IT Project Manager

**Favorite color:** Orange

**Favorite movie:** The Shawshank Redemption

**On a day off, you'll find me:**

Hiking around South Mountain Park

**Best childhood memory:** Opening day of trout season at Little Buffalo State Park with Dad



Testing a kayak in our pool

**Age:** 30

**Occupation:** Future stay-at-home mom

**Favorite color:** Purple

**Favorite movie:** Uncle Buck

**On a day off, you'll find me:**

Walking the dog and baking banana bread

**Best childhood memory:** Summers at Hershey Park with my Dad and cousin

- Thank You -



More than anything, we want you to know that we will love your child unconditionally and will devote our lives to providing him or her with all the love, security, and joy we can offer. We want your child to always know where they came from. You will always be an integral part of his or her life, and we plan to raise our child with an understanding and appreciation for you and the sacrifice you are making for him or her. Your child will be loved beyond words by us, our families, and our friends, and they will always know the great love you have for him or her as well. Thank you again for considering us, and we appreciate you.



