



JOANNA & THOMAS

Our Adoption Profile

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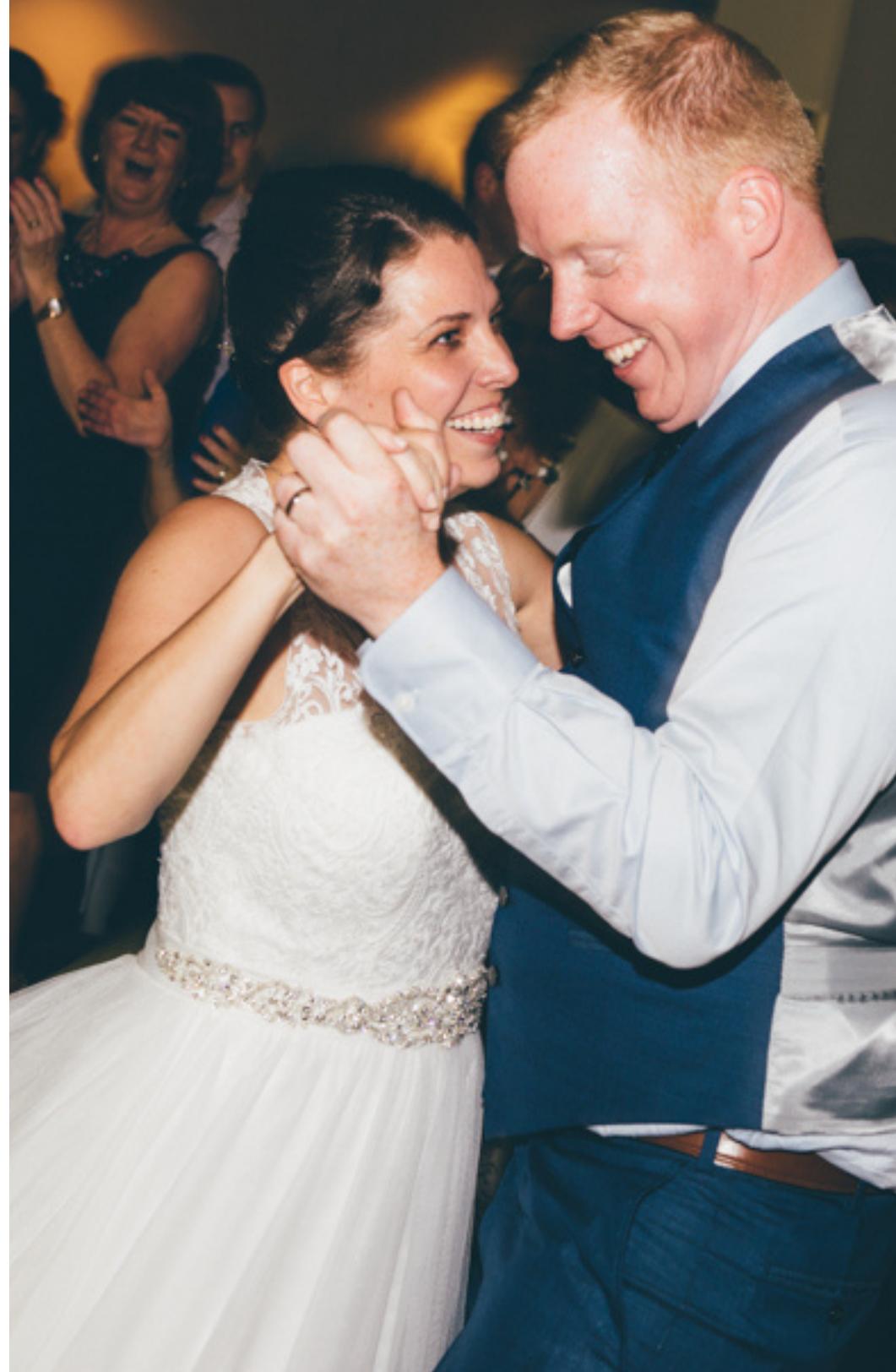
We are Tom & Joanna and we are thankful that you are taking the time to get to know us a bit better!

We have so much love to provide a child and are excited to start our family through adoption. We hope over the next few pages you will see the loving home that we want to provide for a child.



About Us

We met in 2009 on the dance floor at a local restaurant in our town. (Tom has some amazing moves!) We struck up a conversation and started dating soon after. From the beginning it was clear that we had so much in common and that we truly complemented each other—the yin to each other’s yang! We were engaged 5 years later and got married in 2015 with a massive, weekend-long celebration with all of our family and friends at a mountain resort in upstate New York.



When we discussed the dream of our family, adoption was a path that we felt drawn to from the very beginning. We both envisioned a large family and knew that we wanted adoption to play a role in building it. After trying to conceive for many years and facing some heartbreaking losses, we are excited to start our adoption journey to make our dreams of our family come true.



Meet Joanna

In Tom's Words

This past summer Joanna found a group of caterpillars in our garden. Joanna spent the afternoon building a cage from old chicken wire to guard them against the various birds that eat from her feeders. Joanna researched the bug until she found it exclusively ate parsley, and then relocated some plants to ensure they would not go hungry. She checked on them every day until they eventually moved along on their journey towards becoming butterflies.

The way Joanna approached the caterpillars is how she approaches life. She is caring, thoughtful, and creative. Her curiosity to explore all things new coupled with her drive to improve the world around her has made her a wonderful partner, and what will make her an amazing mother.





Meet Tom

In Joanna's Words

Tom has the most amazing laugh. It's one of those BIG, full body laughs that quickly take over a room and brighten everyone's day. There are so many things that I love about Tom— he's smart, supportive, loyal, generous, and driven, but it's his ability to make everyone laugh and feel at ease that I think is really special.

Not only is he FUN and FUNNY, but Tom is also a great listener and gives the most thoughtful advice. He is the first person you want to call when you're having a rough day and when you need to talk through big, difficult decisions. He is my confidant, best friend, and biggest cheerleader. It's his ability to wear all of these different hats, that I know will make him a fantastic dad.





Joanna

Fun Facts

Thomas

Marketing Director
for a Media Company

Occupation

Product Manager
for a Tech Company

Tuna Melts
& Thai Food

Favorite Food

His Mom's Chicken
(famously referred to in the
family as "Grandma's Chicken")

A League of
Their Own

Favorite Movie

Coming to America

Gardening, Cooking,
Baking, & Puzzles

Hobbies

Woodworking,
Golfing, Video Games

Any Beach!

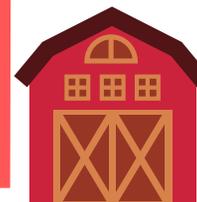
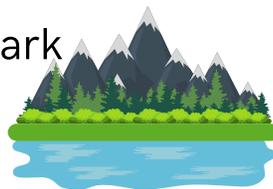
Favorite Places

Kiawah Island, SC

Visiting Glacier
National Park

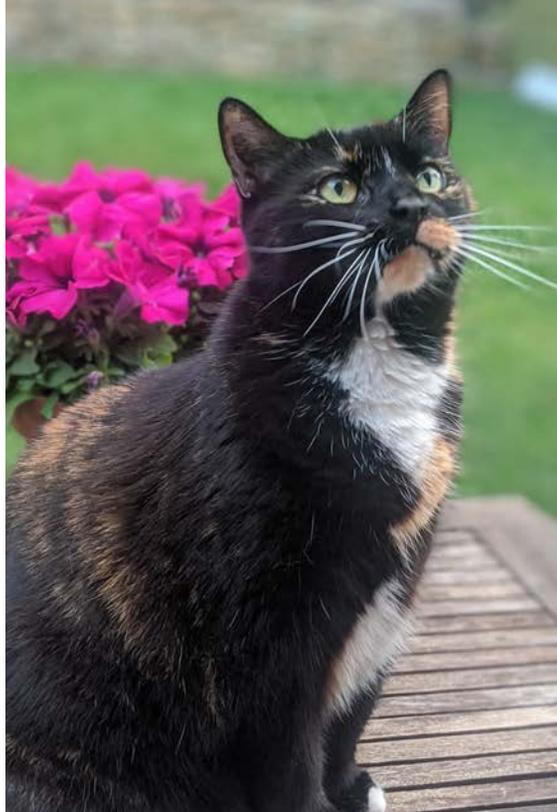
On Our Bucket List

Buying a farm



Our Pets

Our cat, Cinder, is sweet, goofy and loves everyone that she meets. Her favorite things are sitting on our back deck with us, chasing her toys, and ear scratches.



Our dog, Pierogi, is named after one of Joanna's favorite foods! He joined our family in March and is super smart & friendly. He loves collecting sticks and playing outside in the sunshine.

Our Home

We live in Westchester, New York in an eclectic and diverse community. Our tight-knit neighborhood is filled with many young families. On any given day you will see kids riding their bikes or scooters and families walking their dogs past our home.

Our fenced in backyard is lined with trees which provide cool shade during the hot summer months and lots of leaves to jump in during the fall.

Joanna loves to spend the Spring and Summer in her flower and vegetable gardens.



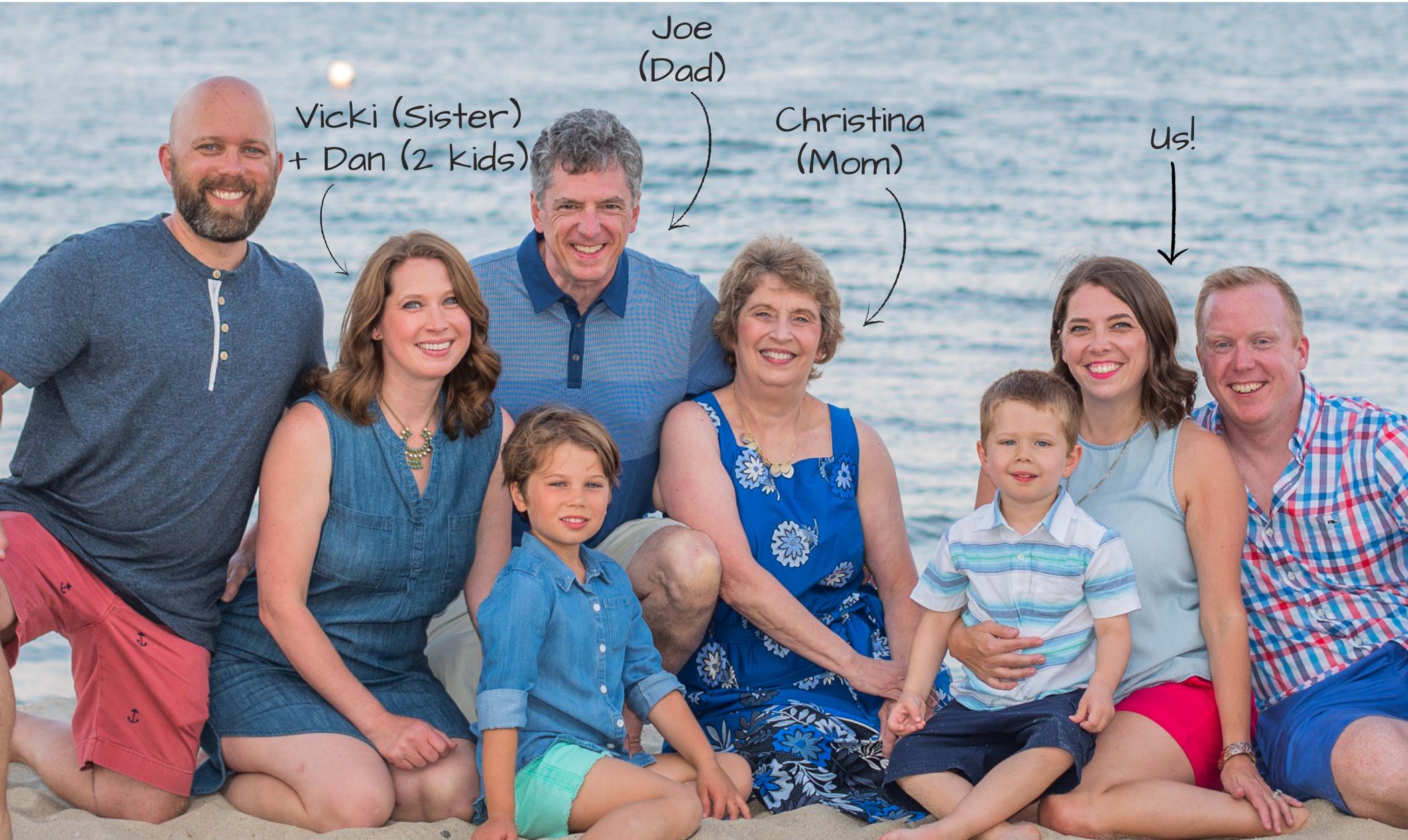
Homemade pickles using Joanna's family recipe

Our home is within walking distance to a town with restaurants and shops as well as a train that will take you into the city—making things like museums and shows just a quick train ride away. We are also walking distance to elementary schools, parks and playgrounds. Our area has lots of hiking trails, nature preserves and is centrally located to both beaches and mountains.



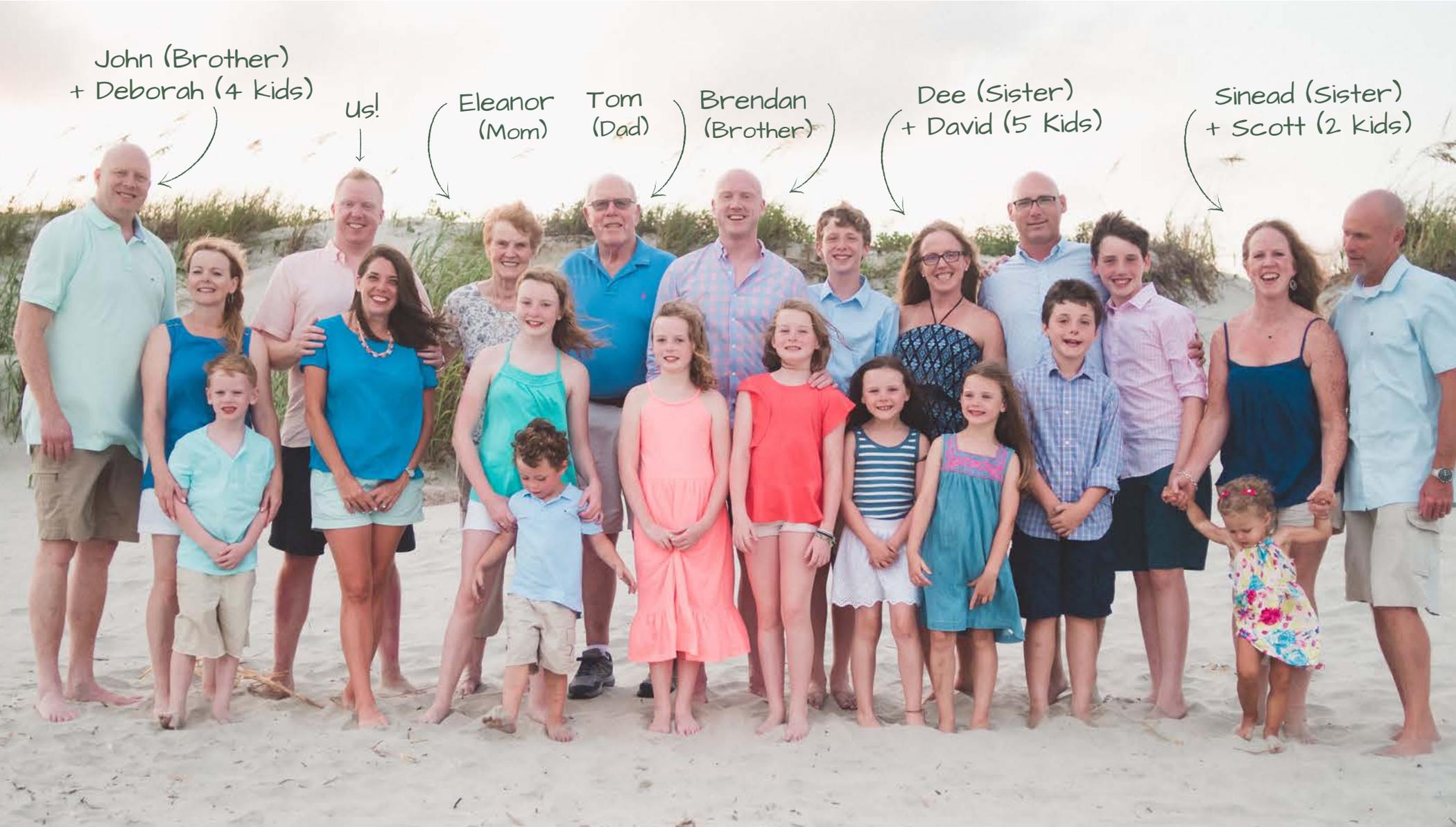
Our Families

Joanna's family lives in Pennsylvania (where she grew up) but we visit often and love to host them at our house! While our immediate family is small, we have a large and connected extended family with lots of Aunts, Uncles & cousins!



Tom comes from a large Irish family. He often wows people by saying he has 61 first cousins—true story! Tom's family maintains a strong connection to Ireland with many Aunts, Uncles & Cousins still living there!

Both of our families are incredibly supportive of our Adoption Journey and so excited to gain new family members!



Our Parents

Joanna's parents are both humble, honest and provided Joanna and her sister with a stable home filled with love. Joanna owes all of her success in life to their guidance and the sacrifices they made.

They both work in retail. Her mother is quiet, a fabulous baker and is a wiz at any card game. Her dad is funny, kind and loves model trains and wood working.

They would love nothing more than to have another grandkid to spoil!



Tom's parents live close to us and we are blessed to be able to see them regularly, hosting them for weekly dinners, popping over to their house for tea or helping them with projects around their home.

His parents emigrated from Ireland to New York in the 60s where Tom's dad was a police officer in the NYPD and his mother was a nurse at a hospital in the Bronx. They instilled in Tom and his siblings a strong work ethic and honor code.

His parents are no-nonsense, but incredibly supportive, loving and are fantastic grandparents to our nieces and nephews.



Our Siblings

Joanna's sister, Vicki, lives in Pittsburgh, PA with her husband, Dan, and children. Joanna and Vicki are close and share a love of cooking, discovering new music and going to concerts.

While Joanna didn't grow up in Pittsburgh, she considers it a second home and tries to visit as much as she can throughout the year to see Vicki and her family.

Vicki & Dan are very involved in their church. One of their favorite summertime traditions is taking their family on a mission trip to North Carolina where they help to repair and renovate homes for those less fortunate.

Joanna loves being an aunt. Her niece and nephew are kind, avid learners, and competitive when it comes to sports! They can't wait to be cousins!



Tom has 4 siblings with whom we are incredibly close. They are all funny, a little loud, and fiercely loyal. Among the 4 siblings there are 11 nieces and nephews.

Tom's sister, Sinead, and her husband, Scott, live in NJ. Sinead is a teacher and Scott is in medical supply sales. They have a son and daughter who are both adopted and will always share a special connection with our child.

Tom's brother, John, & his wife, Debbie, live nearby with their 4 kids. John is a firefighter in NYC and Debbie is a teacher at a local school.



Dee & David live in Ohio with their 5 kids. Dee is in pharmaceutical sales and Dave is an incredibly talented musician.

Brendan is the youngest in the family. We see him most often as he lives in NYC. He works in finance and is also a Commander in the Naval Reserves.

As you can imagine with such a large family gatherings are loud, but full of laughter!



Our Friends

Our Friends are extensions of our family. We get together often with those that are local taking turns hosting bbqs or dinner parties. We love going on beach vacations together and are talking about when we can plan our next trip.





Tom & his best friends from high school celebrating their birthdays



Helping friends nearby with their homebrew!

We are so grateful that you took the time to view our profile and get to know us a little better. We would be honored to be considered as a family for your child. Our hearts and home are ready for a child to love.



