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AMITY & JOSEPH

Thank you for taking time to read over our letter. *WE ARE truly HONORED.*

We can only imagine what you may be experiencing right now, yet we admire how strong and selfless you are to consider open adoption. We are here to support you if you need us. You will always be welcome in our lives in whatever way you feel most comfortable.

We are overjoyed at the idea of being parents and look forward to the opportunity to get to know you!

Amity and Joseph Hinson



MEET OUR PUPS WINSTON AND EVIE

THIS IS OUR story

We feel very fortunate to have found each other and to have a home filled with love and laughter. We met and fell in love in 2007 when we were both living in Knoxville, Tennessee. **We have a marriage that is strong, happy, loving, and respectful.**

We both enjoy spending time together **relaxing outdoors, gardening, playing with our two dogs, cooking, watching movies, and playing games.**

Joseph can't wait to have a child so they can play catch or kick the soccer ball around together in the backyard. **Amity has already started collecting children's books and can't wait to read her favorite "Three Little Kittens" with our child.**



CELEBRATING OUR NIECE LAYLA'S BIRTHDAY



HEADING TO A PREDATORS' HOCKEY GAME



"WHEN I SEE AMITY LAUGH AND PLAY WITH KIDS, I KNOW SHE WILL BE A wonderful mother."

AMITY PLAYING WITH OUR COUSIN, BLAZE



MOVIE NIGHT IS OUR FAVORITE THING TO DO! WE LOVE TO MUNCH ON ———>

Buttery popcorn with peanut M&M's mixed in... (trust us, it is delicious!)



LET'S GO FISHING!

AMITY BY JOSEPH

Amity's compassion is what I love the most about her. She goes out of her way to help others in any way she can. **She just lights up every time she is with our nieces and nephews. When I see her laugh and play while taking care of them I just know she will be a wonderful mother.** She will be the kind of mother that can make everything fun and exciting. **She can turn a boring day of cleaning the house into a dance party or cooking dinner into a race to see who finishes cooking their dish first.**

I know that I could never find anyone else who would be a better match for me as a wife and mother of my children. **I know I can always count on her for anything and I know our child will be able to do the same.**

WHAT WE DO for fun!

WE LOVE GAME NIGHT, TOO!



MONOPOLY... A FAVORITE!

We love spending time with family and friends. **We really enjoy having everyone come over for big family dinner or cookout.** We both enjoy cooking and trying out new recipes that we can share with everyone. Amity loves to share her homemade

desserts and cookies with friends and family. She can't wait to teach our child how to make her favorite, her grandmother's shortbread cookies. Joseph loves history, especially civil war history, and he cannot wait to show our child interesting historical sites along the way when we travel for our family vacations.

We also love game nights. Nothing is more fun than playing Uno or Candy Land with our niece and nephews. We can't wait to see the same excitement on our child's face when they win a tough game.



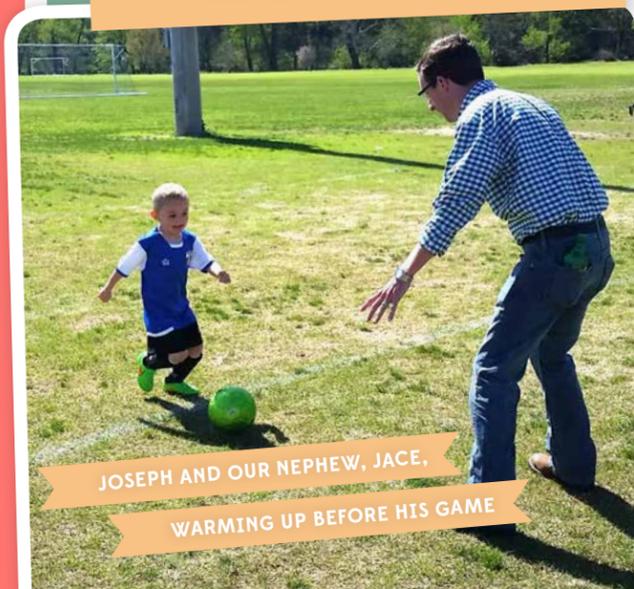
OUT ON A HIKE

HOME SWEET HOME

We live in Gallatin, Tennessee, which is a diverse suburb of Nashville. **Gallatin is a wonderful family orientated community.** We can't wait to take our child to the annual Christmas parade, watch him or her play on the monkey bars at the playground, and take him or her to swim lessons. **We live in a quiet neighborhood at the end of a cul-de-sac, which is perfect for afternoon bike rides or walks.**

We share our home with our two sweet dogs, Winston and Evie. Both dogs are gentle and loving. **They get super excited when children come to visit and they get to run and play in the yard with them.**

WE WILL MAKE A GREAT PARENTING TEAM



JOSEPH AND OUR NEPHEW, JACE, WARMING UP BEFORE HIS GAME

JOSEPH BY AMITY

I feel truly blessed to have met and fallen in love with Joseph. He is funny, kind, honest, and hard working. **He can put a smile on my face no matter how hard of a day I have had.** He always has the perfect movie quote or song lyric for any situation. You can't help but laugh, even if you don't want to. **He always puts our family first and I know he will make sure our child has everything he or she wants and needs.**

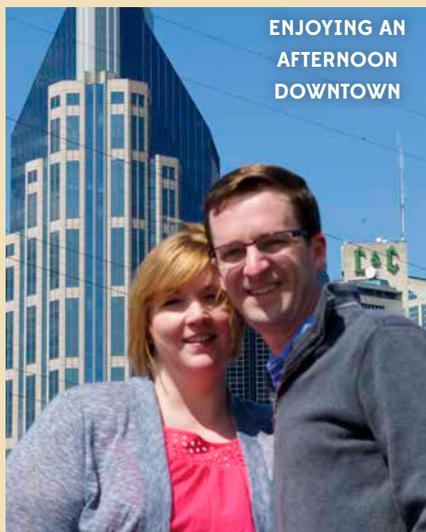
I love the way he thinks of others in everything he does. He insists we don't throw out anything that can be donated or recycled. I am thankful to have found someone who shares my same values, morals, and life goals.

MEET OUR *loving family!*

Both of us grew up in a large extended family full of aunts, uncles, and cousins. **There are lots of cousins that can't wait for play dates, beach trips, and birthday parties with their newest cousin.** Both of our families are thrilled we are adopting and can't wait to

welcome a baby into the family. We are looking forward to celebrating holidays with our family and seeing our child laughing, playing, and running around with his or her cousins.

**LOTS OF COUSINS
ARE READY TO PLAY!**



**ENJOYING AN
AFTERNOON
DOWNTOWN**



**STORY TIME
WITH OUR
NEPHEW, DYLAN**



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OUR WORK

JOSEPH WORKS FOR AN OIL COMPANY and enjoys the fast paced environment. And he is fortunate to have the option to work from home a few days a week.

AMITY WORKS AS AN ANALYST FOR AN INSURANCE COMPANY and loves that her work helps people. She is home from work by mid-afternoon every day, leaving plenty of time to spend with our child or help them with homework before bedtime.

Thank you so much for taking the time to read about us. We promise you that you will always have a special place in our hearts and in our family. **We want our child to know you as much as you are comfortable, and to understand you helped create our family.** We look forward to getting to know you and discussing the type of open relationship you would like.

We hope to hear from you! *Amity and Joseph*