

# Whitney & Brandy: Hoping To Adopt

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## To the expectant mother...

We understand how difficult this decision might be, we want to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for having the bravery and strength to make this choice. And we want you to know that, for us, a baby is the greatest happiness that we could add to our lives. You are giving us the opportunity to build a family of our own, fulfilling a lifelong dream for both us and our families. There are no words that can express our gratitude to you for the decision you are making. We want you to know this child will know the story of how they helped us become a family of our own. Please find some peace of mind that your child may not have our eyes or our smiles, but your child will have all of our hearts.

## A little about us...

For us, a baby is the greatest happiness that we could add to our lives. Giving us the opportunity to build a family of our own, would be fulfilling a lifelong dream for both of us as well as our families.

Brandy and I have been married for 11 years, and together for 12. I knew I wanted to marry her within two weeks of knowing her. It might sound cliché to say but I knew I found my soulmate, there isn't a doubt in my mind she's my person. She is one of the kindest people I know.

We are lucky enough to be able to travel twice a year, through my company, which we are so excited to share with our future child. We have already been to some of the most amazing places, like New Zealand and Canary Islands, Spain. Once in a lifetime trips that will be a part of our family for the rest of my career.



We both love movies and curling up on the couch, especially with our Frenchie named Ollie. Who is fully kid trained thanks to our 1 yr old “niece” and 6 yr old “nephew” next door. We live on 5 acres of lawn and trees and spend a decent amount of time outside sprucing it up. We are lucky enough to be in a very sought after school district. Its a beautiful and safe place for a kid to explore. We have gardens we share with our next door neighbors as well as a big round driveway the kids ride their bikes on. It's one of my favorite things to watch Brandy play with the kids next door. She be-

comes a kid herself and can make the most mundane activity come alive. They just love her, and it's one of the reasons I know she will be a great mom.

Even though our journey to get to this space has been hard at times, I feel nothing is ever lost if we learn something from it. I feel like my miscarriages and struggles with fertility have brought us so much closer together as a couple. We have made sure to communicate through the pain and take good care of ourselves and each other. I know it has deepened our love and better prepared us to be parents. We are so grateful for our lives. It's important to us that this child will know the story of how they helped us become a family of our own.





## A little about Whitney...

I have known I was meant to be a mom as early as I can remember. Babies and children light me up in a way nothing else has been able to. I have been "Aunt Whitney" for so many years and love it, and I'm ready to become "Mommy".

Many of my personal and professional decisions have been designed to prepare us for being parents, including saving money, having a career that allows me to set my own hours and provides for Brandy to stay home so neither one of us have to miss a childhood play or event.

I'm a planner by nature and over the years of actively trying to get pregnant, I would slowly get items for the nursery, which at this point is complete. I have hand me down clothes and bassinets from my friends who have children. And even diapers in a couple sizes I bought on sale over the years. Which could totally seem like way over doing it to some, and to me feels like it was meant to be. If I hadn't been slowly creating this beautiful space for a baby over the years, adoption wouldn't be possible. But I can honestly say that with all the planning and creating, that if a baby were able to come into our lives tomorrow, we have everything we need. The path to get here has not always been an easy one, but I can't help but see the positives. Its so important to me that I keep looking deeply at lessons in life when they arise, so I can be my best self and give that back to the people I know and love. I love my life so much and can honestly say the only thing that feels like is missing for me is a baby. We have so much love to give and are so ready to give it.



## A little about Brandy...

My 36 years of life have shown me both love and heartache. Many of my family and friends over the years have passed away. My mom, dad, sister, nephew, best friend, and my dog. The loss of them has taught me how precious life is and that our time is not guaranteed. I have learned over the years how to grieve and find love in their passing. I believe Dumbledore says it best, "Happiness can be found even in the darkest of times, if one only remembers to turn on the light."

Mountain biking is what sets my soul free and what I am most passionate about today. It challenges me to increase my technical skills as well as set my mind at ease being deep in the mountains. My one year old French bulldog is my other hobby. He is with me all day and is my shadow wherever I go. He is like a toddler, I cant even shower without him wanting in the shower with me! Collecting Olympia beer is also a passion of mine. I love finding a piece, researching its history and meeting all the amazing collectors and hearing all the stories of people who worked at the brewery. I also enjoy watching Harry Potter, Pixar and Disney movies!

My light is my wife Whitney. Twelve years ago I got to marry my best friend. When someone asks me my favorite thing about my wife my answer is, meet her, see her smile, hear her giggle, you too will fall in love with her. She is strong, companionate, and has a pure heart. She challenges me to see beyond what I think I am capable of. She drives me to keep pushing my own self growth and awareness.

We currently have no children. Many of our friends have children so we get to be aunts to a lot of little ones! I feel I am a kid at heart, and I am always playing with the kids while the adults are hanging out. I get to babysit our neighbors daughter a couple times a month, watching her hit milestones like crawling, walking, saying her first words has shown me how excited I am for the opportunity to watch a little one of our own grow up.

We can give a safe, healthy, loving home to a child, and we can also provide the birth mother with the re-assurance that her child will be loved, cared for, and happy.