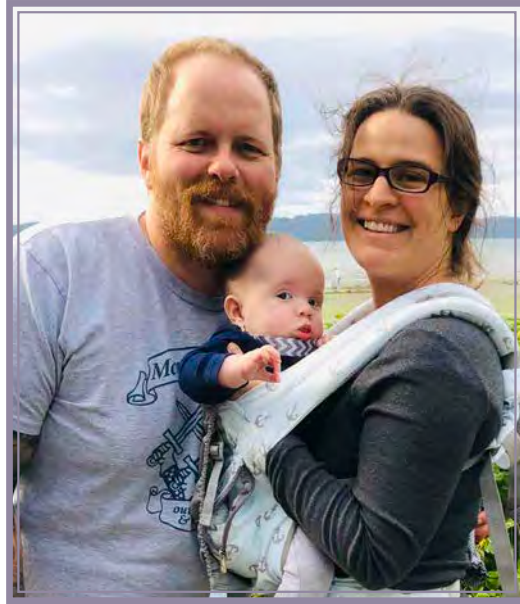
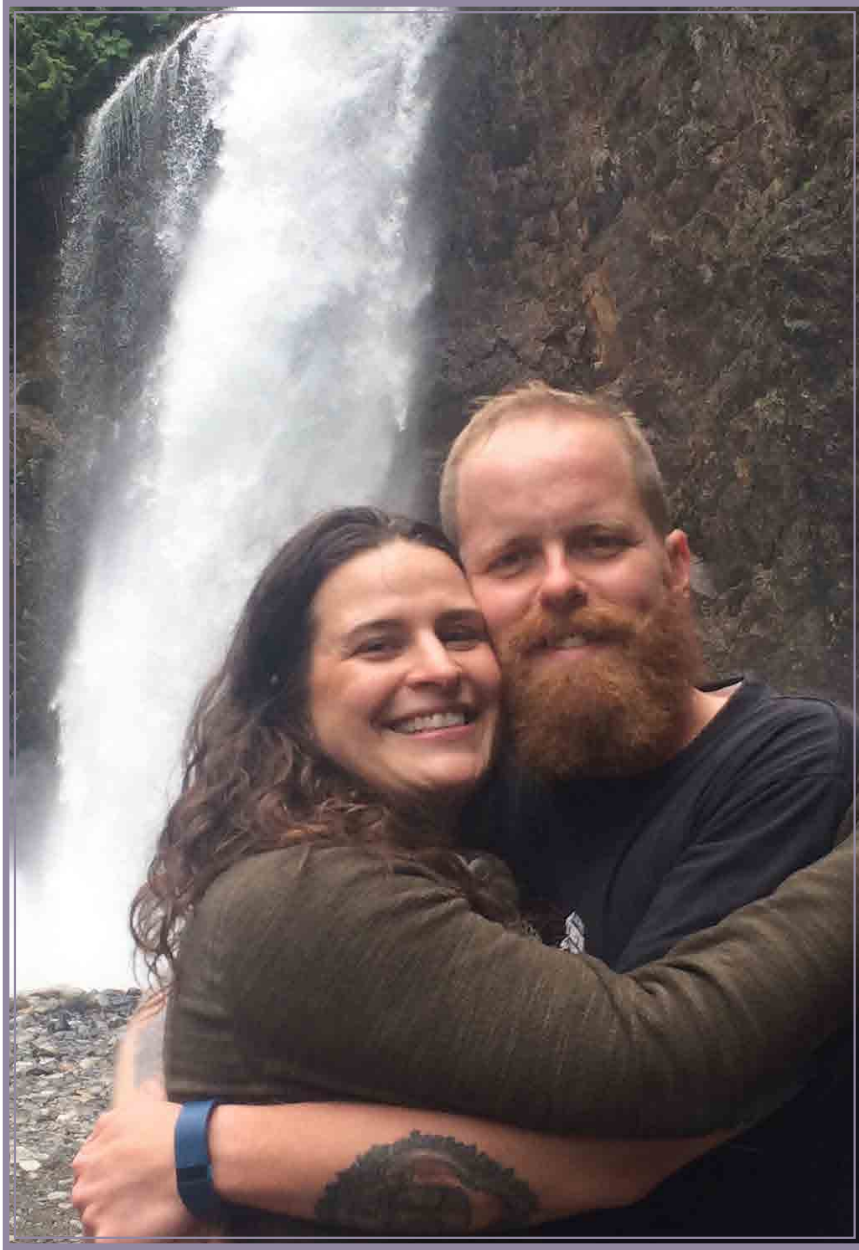




Joe & Pam



# HELLO THERE



Hello, we are Joe and Pam. Thank you for considering us as adoptive parents for your child. Our hearts are filled with excitement and overflowing with love for the child who will be coming into our lives. Adoption is already cherished in our family, as Little Joe joined our family through adoption at his birth and we have an open relationship with his birth parents. We are ready to provide a home to another child that is filled with family, understanding, travel, acceptance and joyous experience. We know that this is likely a challenging time for you as you consider this difficult choice, but know that we will have you in our thoughts. We are happy that you are taking the time to see the life we could bring your child into.

With Love,

Joe, Pam & Little Joe

# ABOUT US



We met on a very cold Seattle night in 2014. The candidness and honesty of our first conversation quickly turned into a deep and intense connection. The bond grew steadily and we were married in a beautiful ceremony in 2016. We are united by a passion to travel. We are often busy planning our next trip to visit family, explore faraway places or trying to visit

each of the 30 major league baseball stadiums. Our family is our life. We spend much of our time with Joe's brothers, and Pam's brother and sister. Our life is made rich in being able to offer so much love, fun and adventure to Little Joe. We are eagerly waiting to add another little one to our family who will bring our family full circle.



# ABOUT PAM

told by Joe

Pam is a nurturer. She wears her heart on her sleeve. From her work as a Physician's Assistant helping people find their way back to health, to her animated phone conversations with her mother in Spanish, she is always looking for ways to help people feel a sense of belonging and worth in their lives. Pam believes in big family dinners, she expresses love through home cooked meals eaten around a lively family conversation at the dinner table. Pam takes delight in teaching our dog Cello tricks. Cello is a wonder dog who knows nearly 50 tricks by now. It is integral to who Pam is that she help other people and dogs become happier. It is this passion, and her amazing natural gift as a mom, that draws me to Pam on a daily basis.



More About Pam

**OCCUPATION:** Physician Assistant

**FAVORITE MOVIES:** Coming to America and The Lion King

**CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT:** My family and chocolate

**MY PERFECT DAY:** Sleeping in, having a quiet breakfast with Joe and Little Joe, going for a hike with my dog, & spending time with our families.

“ Pam leads with her kind heart. ”

-Joe

# ABOUT JOE

told by Pam

Joe is a guy who is always on the go and has a passion for all that life offers. I knew I would never be bored when I married him. He has many interests - from sports, to music, to art and food - and he is always busy finding activities in town and new places to visit. One of his biggest passions is spending time with kids. Joe is a kid at heart and he jumps at every opportunity to play with any child. Joe volunteered for Big Brothers and Big Sisters and was matched up with a 10 yr old boy. Joe has spent so much time with Shannon, that he has become part of our family! He is a natural teacher and really enjoys helping young people grow, learn about the world, and teach them self-worth. He is an excellent and patient Dad to Little Joe, always taking extra time to teach him new things.

More About Joe

**OCCUPATION:** Special Education Teacher

**FAVORITE PLACE:** Baseball game with loved ones

**CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT:** My wife, Little Joe and my brothers

**MY PERFECT DAY:** A nice breakfast at home, attending a baseball game with my brothers & family, then a seafood dinner!

“ Joe is fun-loving and always on the go! He loves to travel to new places with his family! ”

-Pam



# ABOUT LITTLE JOE

Little Joe is a warm, loving and genuinely happy boy. We adopted him at birth. He was born at the beginning of the COVID pandemic and initially spent a LOT of time with mom and dad, bonding, growing and learning all about the world. He is playful and enjoys reading, splashing in puddles, digging for worms, singing "Old MacDonald" and cookies. He is learning to swim and speaks both English and Spanish. Since family lives far away, he has already been on 13 flights and several thousand miles of road trips.



“Cookies!”



More About

*Little Joe*

**AGE:** 2

**OCCUPATION:** Expert toy scatterer and heart melter

**FAVORITE SONG:** The Wheels on the Bus

**FAVORITE PLACE:** Outside, outside, outside

**CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT:** Hugs from mom, dad and his toy lamb

**MY PERFECT DAY:** Breakfast with grandparents, outside play with mom and Cello, nap, silly play with cousins uncles, and aunts, and bedtime reading with dad.

# FUN FACTS

*About our family*



The coffee shop where Joe and Pam first met closed down, but they found the 13-foot neon sign from the shop and it now hangs in their living room.



Joe has worked as a tour guide and been to all the US states... except Hawaii.



Joe has been to 29 out of 30 Major League Baseball stadiums.



Pam's mom is from Honduras and Pam grew up bilingual (English and Spanish) and has a passion for languages.



Every year Joe and Pam grow a giant pumpkin for Halloween and take a photo of Little Joe inside of it.



Both Joe and Pam have green thumbs. They have over 40 house plants and enjoy fresh vegetables from their garden.

# OUR EXTENDED FAMILY

Pam's family live in Arizona. Her Mom & Dad are still married and enjoying retirement. Her brother, Bradley (39) is married to Laura and they have a 1 year old named Bowen. Her sister Alexandra (28) is engaged to be married, so there will be a new uncle William in the family soon. Joe and Pam visit Phoenix about 3 times a year, often for the holidays and for spring training baseball. Joe also has a cousin who also lives in AZ and we get to visit him as well.

Joe's family live in Eastern Washington, where Joe grew up and where Pam and Joe got married. Joe's parents are divorced but remain friends and both of them love being grandparents. Joe has 4 brothers, but is closest with two of his younger brothers, Andrew and Bryson, who both live in his hometown. Andrew's daughter Allison is 14 and is growing up fast! She enjoys spending time with Little Joe when they visit.



Three Joes



Visiting Joe's family



Football with Joe's brothers



Father's day Beach Vacation



Pam's parents visit



Little Joe hugs cousin Bowen



Laughing with grandpa



Little Joe loves tia Alex



Joe's mom & grandma

# OUR FRIENDS

We have a wide variety of friends and work hard to maintain connections. We have 3-4 large BBQ's per year, inviting all our friends and family. We enjoy having a friend circle across a wide spectrum. We host a regular dinner night with 4 ladies in their 70's, while also spending time with Shannon, Joe's little brother through the Big Brothers and Sisters program. Our friends and family are the most important part of our lives!



Breakfast with Joe's buddies



We love hugging friends!

# OUR HOME AND COMMUNITY

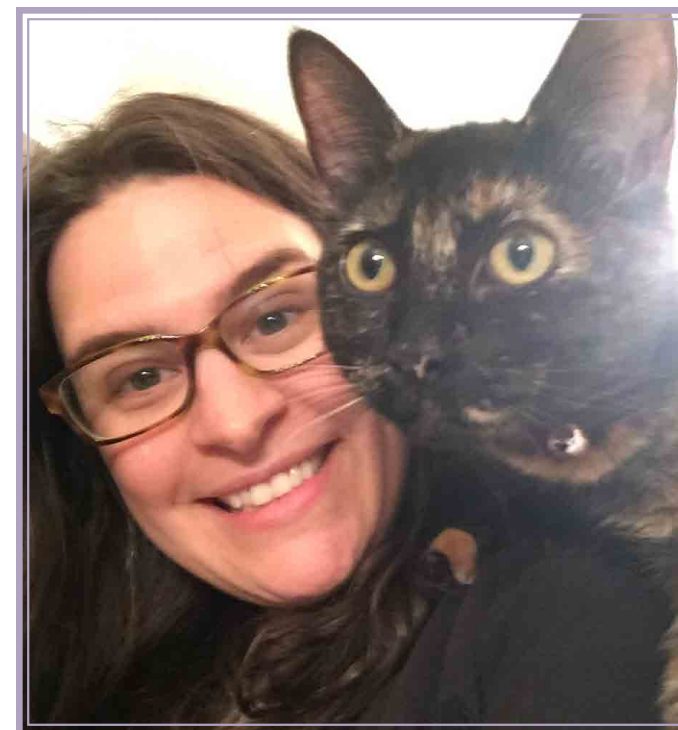
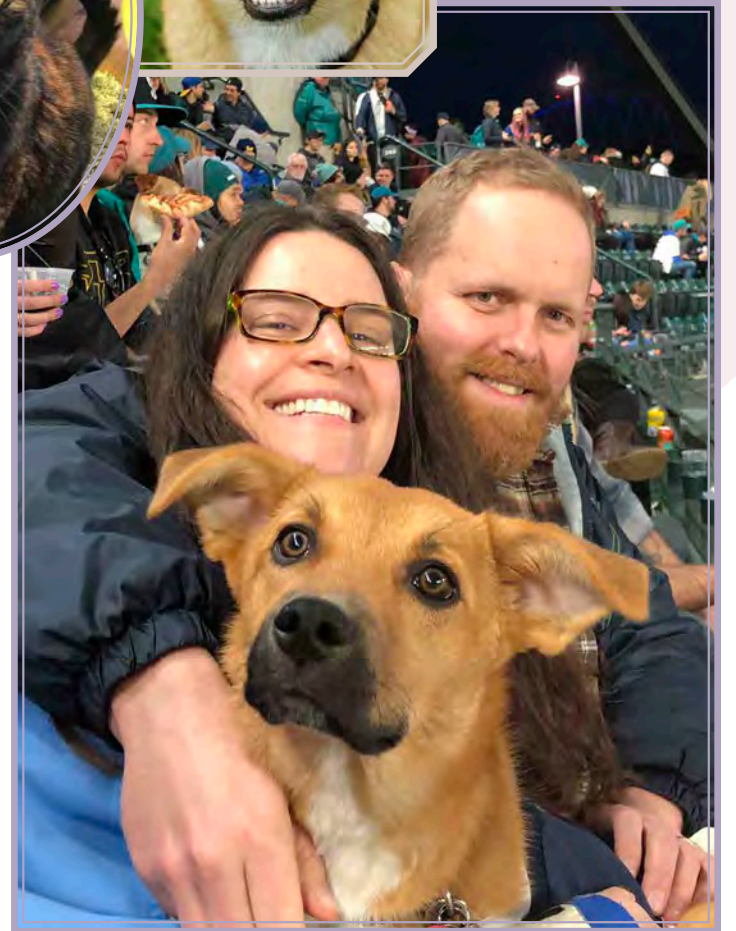
We own a four bedroom home in one of Seattle's most diverse neighborhoods. We have a large yard and our back gate opens onto a local park. We have a plot of land in the garden in the park and grow vegetables there each year. There is also a chicken coop near the garden and Pam is part of the chicken co-op, tending to the chickens once a week with Little Joe.



# OUR PETS

Torcello and Toe-J. Cello is a mid-size mixed breed pup. She loves people, especially children, and is always eager to entertain and play. She knows over 50 different tricks and is certified as an American Kennel Club Master Trick dog. Cello can hide in a suitcase and jump into your arms! Toe-J is our tortoise shell kitty. She is a snuggler who is always trying to find her way into our laps.

 Cello & Toe-J



# WHY ADOPTION



After experiencing a lot of infertility issues, we chose adoption to grow our family and have been overjoyed with the addition of Little Joe to our family through adoption. We both passionately want to share our lives and experiences with children and feel siblings are an important part of both childhood and adulthood. We are excited to bring another child into our hearts, to teach, guide, nurture and share with them all the beauty life has to offer. We maintain an open adoption with Little Joe's birth parents and we would love to have a similar relationship if you choose us as adoptive parents for your child, if that is what you desire.



We *promise*

- to love your child unconditionally.
- to nurture your child and provide a warm, loving home.
- to respect your child's individualism and to teach them to be respectful of others.
- to grow in wonder and awe along with your child and share the beauty the world has to offer.
- to be open and honest about all things.



# THANK YOU

Thanks again for checking out our family. If you choose us, we promise to provide a place in our hearts and home that is brimming with love and acceptance. A rock-steady place that is home in its truest sense of support, bonding and strength. We understand that, if chosen, your decision will forever connect us and we are eager to create a relationship that works for you and creates a circle of love around your child.

*Joe, Pam & Little Joe*



