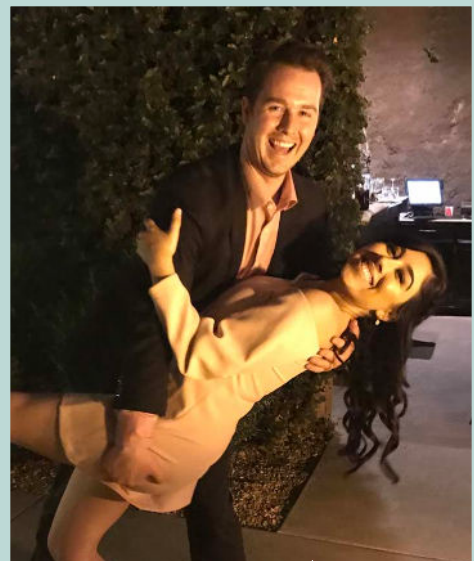
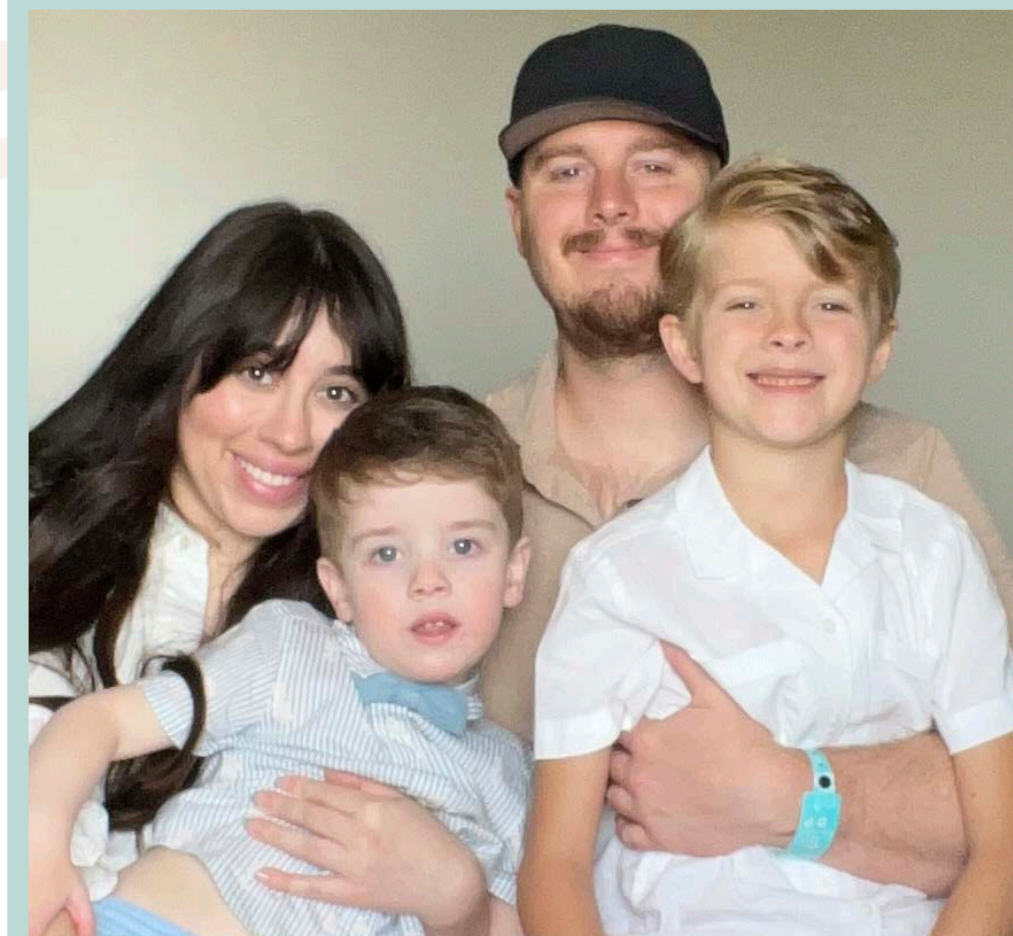


Ian +
Emmalin





dear
friend



Our names are Emma and Ian. We are honored that you are considering us to support you through this process and and look forward to getting to know you. While adoption can be scary and intimidating, we want you to know that we are navigating it with you! More than that, we are so humbled by your strength. We cannot thank you enough for considering us as a part of this process.

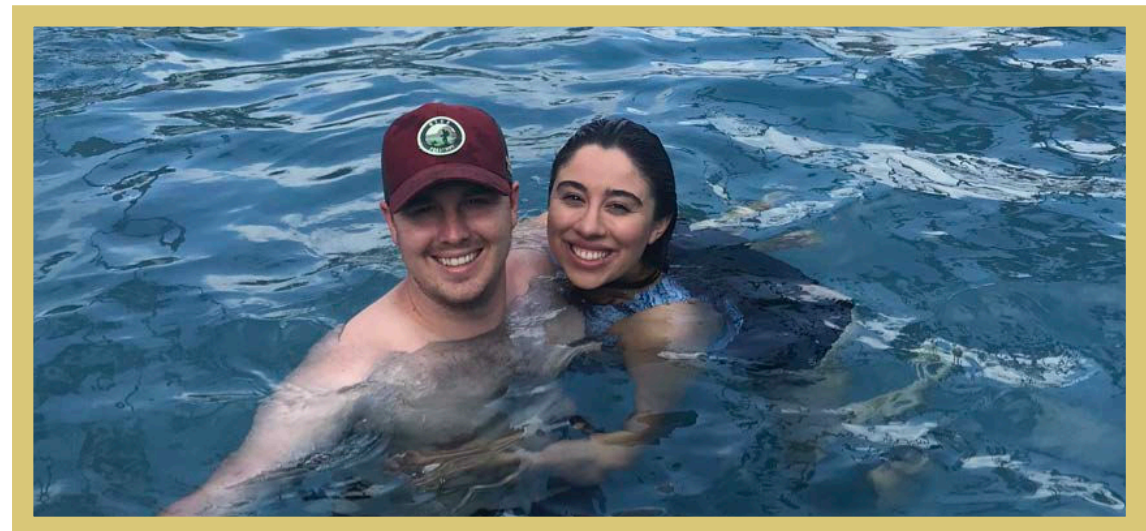
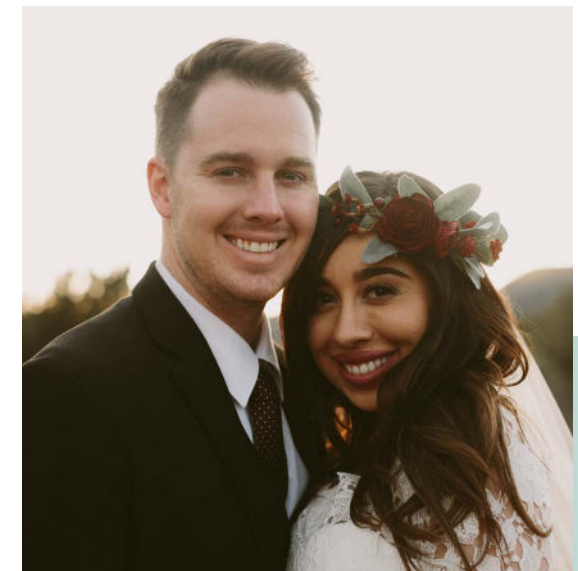
All our love,

Ian, Emma
Gavin+ Harrison



our story

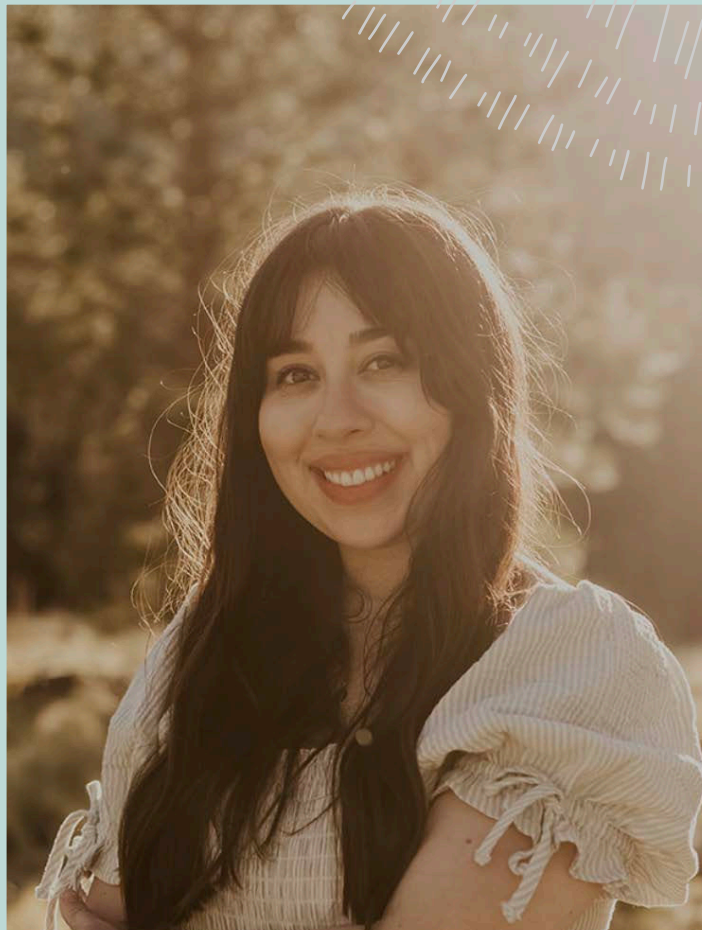
We met at Starbucks (cliche, I know) when Emma was in college. We hit it off right away and Emma knew she was into Ian when he challenged her to a thumb war on our first date. We got engaged on Emma's favorite hiking trail. About six years later, we still make each other laugh so hard that Emma is borderline wheezing. We love trying and cooking new foods, talking about our future together, and embarrassing our kids with dorky dance moves.



Meet Emma

by Ian

Emma is extremely loving and doesn't ask for anything in return. She goes out of her way to do things for her family and makes things easier for everyone. I can always rely on her when I'm in a jam or need advice on how to handle any situation. She also runs circles around me intellectually. Currently, she's finishing up her master's degree with a 4.0 grade point average. She still impresses me every day with how amazing she is.



AGE 26

OCCUPATION Restaurant Owner

FAVORITE SHOW Law and Order SVU

FAVORITE PLACE Kauai

CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT Family and Diet Coke

MY PERFECT DAY Going for coffee & cinnamon rolls and watching the kids play in the backyard.

IAN SAYS Emma embodies the idea of "Hard work beats out talent when talent doesn't work hard."

Meet Ian

by Emma

Ian is the most positive person. He is genuine and intentional in everything he does. He is a social butterfly that builds meaningful relationships and will stop to help anyone in need. I feel like he is already skilled at everything but is always willing to learn and improve. My favorite quality is that he doesn't get embarrassed easily because he is confident in who he is. More than that, he works incredibly hard to provide for our family to make sure we are all happy.



AGE 30

OCCUPATION Restaurant Owner

FAVORITE MOVIE Lord of the Rings

FAVORITE PLACE It's a tie between Kauai and Northwest Washington

CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT Coffee

MY PERFECT DAY Start the day with a workout, then coffee and brunch, long hike, finish the day with a little barbecue and drinks over the fire.

EMMA SAYS Ian is easy-going and can talk to literally anyone. His friendliness and positive attitude are undeniable.

meet
Gavin

Gavin makes life seem a little less serious with his knock-knock jokes and silly personality. He also loves helping with his little brother!



AGE 7

OCCUPATION Professional Gamer

FAVORITE MOVIE Star Wars

FAVORITE PLACE Anywhere with cousins or Disneyland

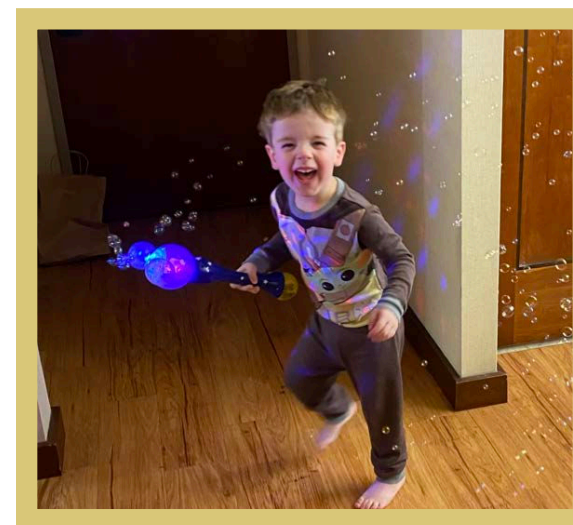
CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT Nintendo Switch

MY PERFECT DAY Hanging out with my Dad & my cousins.



meet
Harrison

Harrison is a spit-fire. He is stubborn but fiercely loyal. He is also incredibly sweet. He loves babies and pretends to be "dada." He cracks us up all day, every day.



AGE 3

OCCUPATION Chocolate Milk Enthusiast

FAVORITE SHOW Sesame Street

FAVORITE PLACE The library

CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT Sharkie

MY PERFECT DAY Getting a Starbucks chocolate milk and going to Grandpa's house.



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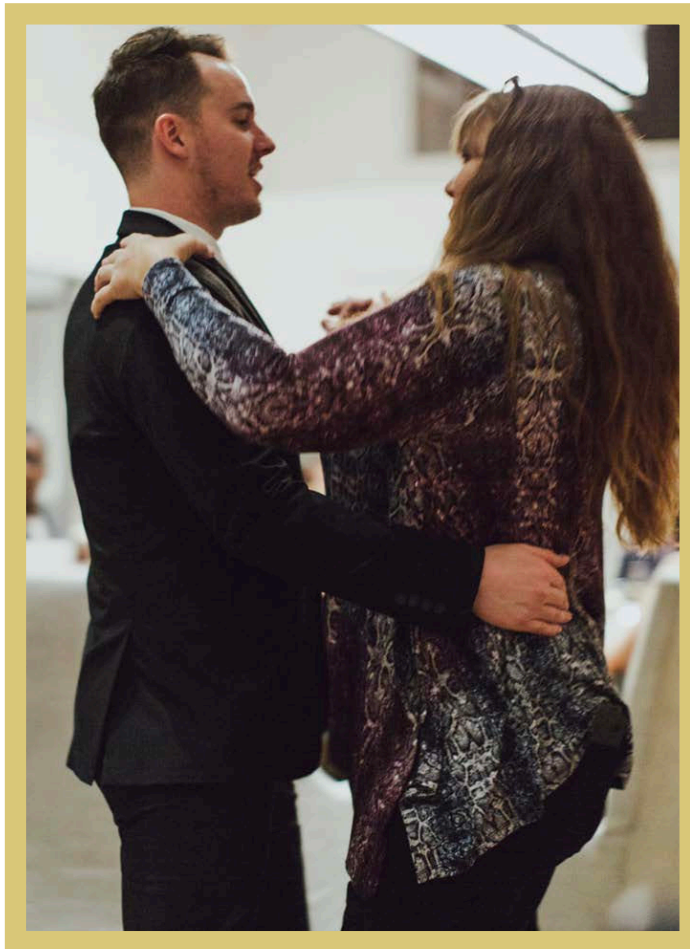
our loved ones

Emma has a large family on both her mom's and dad's sides! She grew up playing with cousins almost every day. She is Lebanese, Mexican, and German and the whole family is super close. Emma's family traditions include big holiday parties and yearly vacations. Big yearly get-togethers with bonfires and potluck dinners are the norm for Ian's family. Everyone is hard working, but they always make time for family.

We have friends all over! Some of them live in Italy and others are close by. We love to get together for outdoor movie nights.



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Caption 3



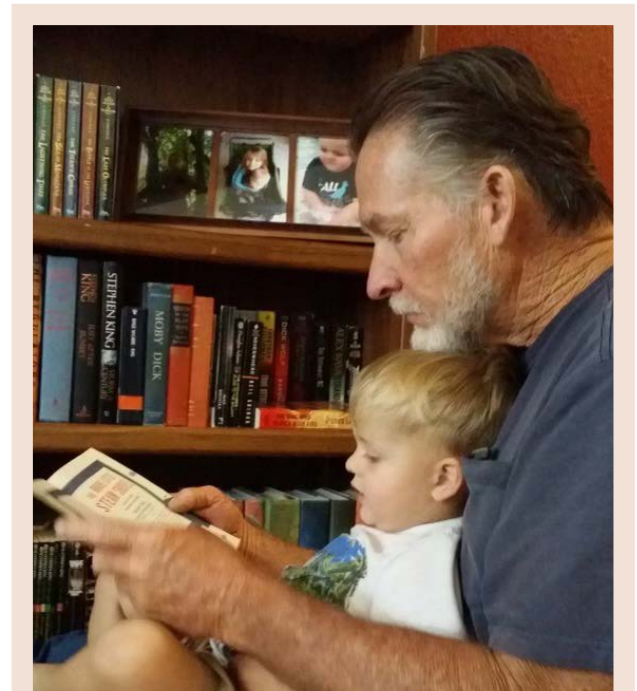
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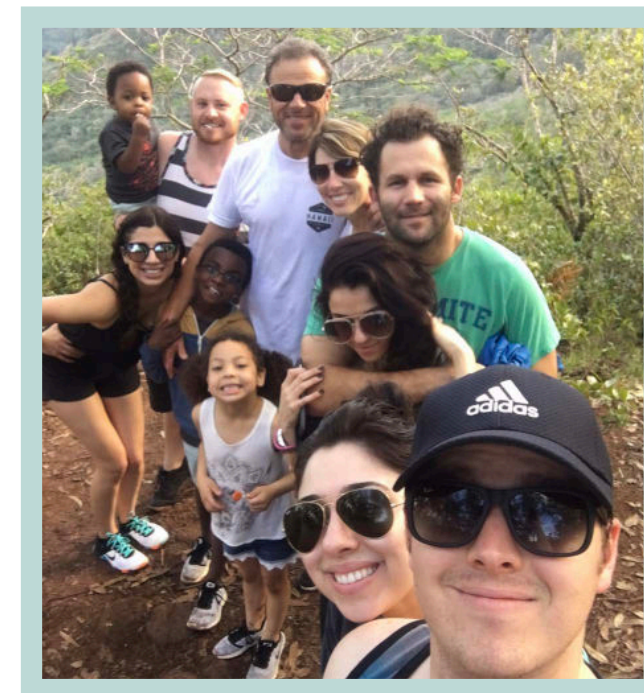
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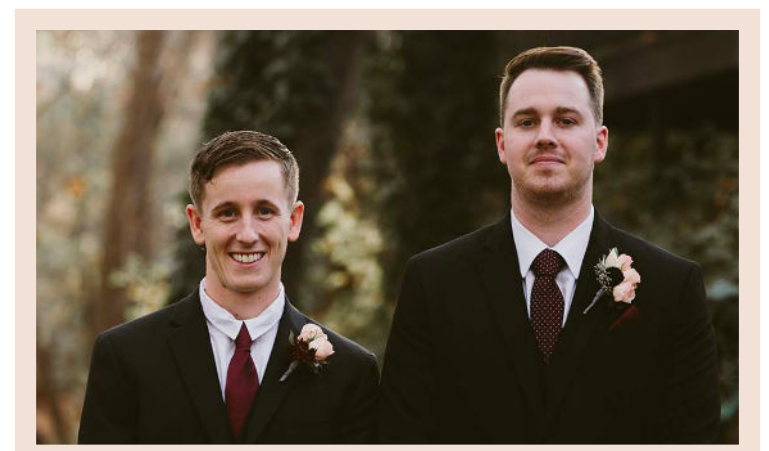
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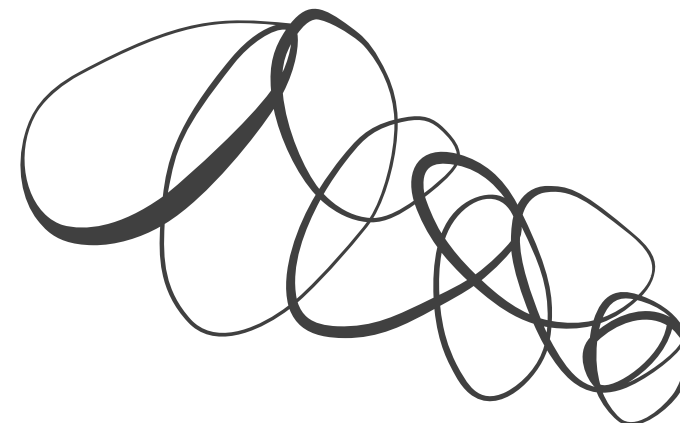
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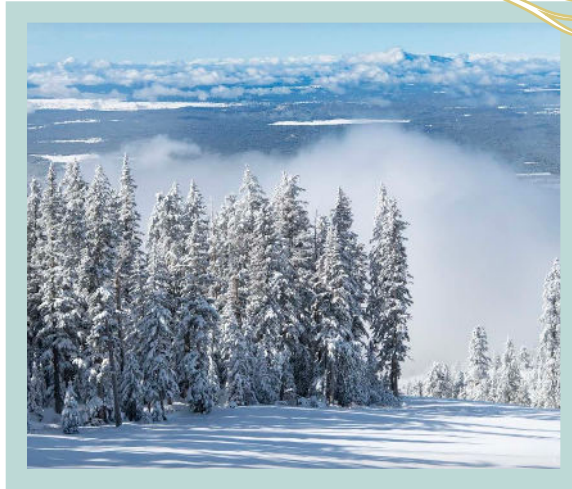


Caption 10



our Home & community

We live in a beautiful neighborhood surrounded by huge trees, in our home state of Arizona. Our community is an extension of our home. It is surrounded by beautiful parks and recreation facilities. We experience all four seasons so Christmases are snowy and our summers are mild. We are also near national parks and globally known landscapes.



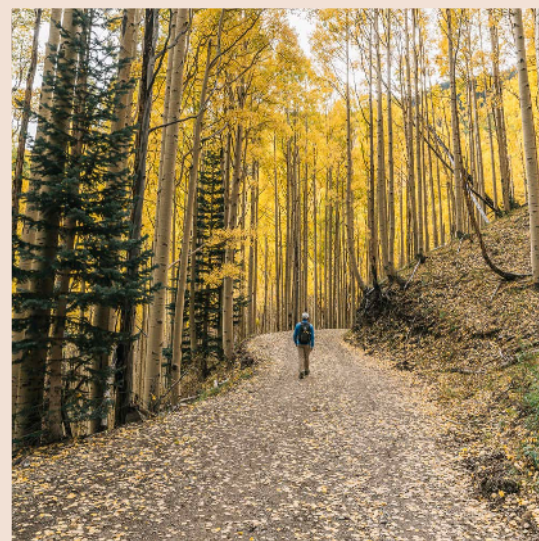
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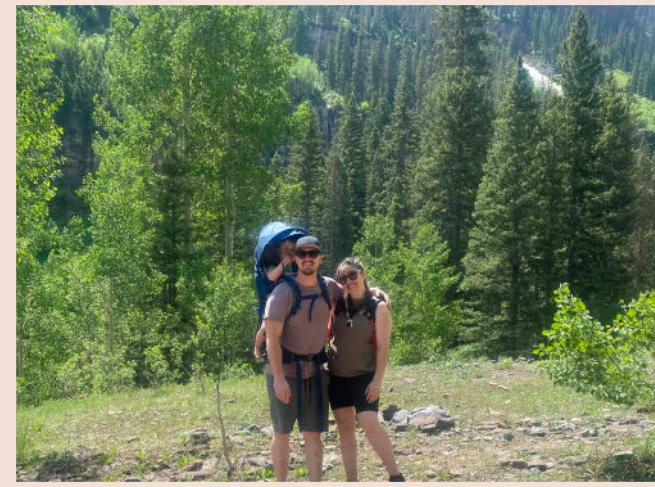
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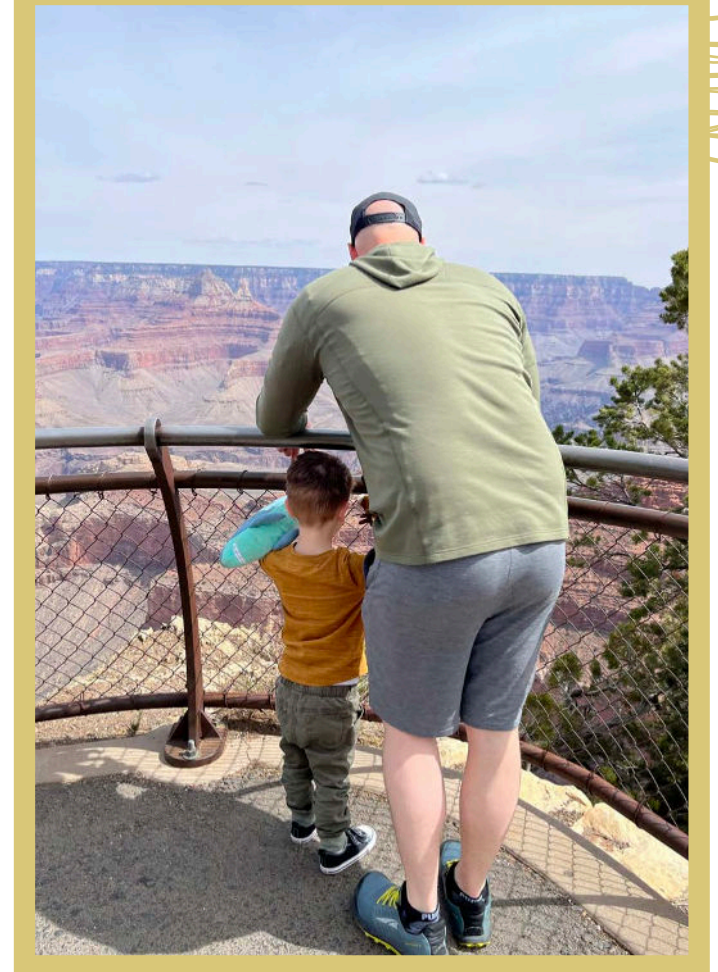
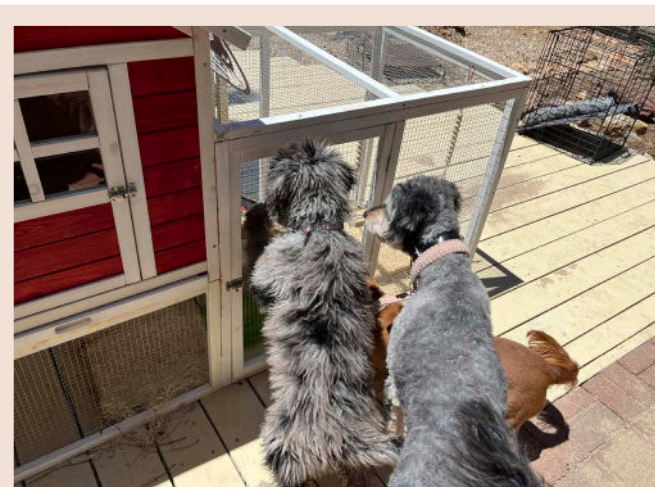
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our Pets

We have three dogs and six chickens. River is a 4-year-old Cavalier King Charles. She is the sweetest girl and dare I say the boy's favorite. Pancake is a 1-year-old Aussie-doodle. She is a giant teddy bear. Penelope is a 6-month-old Berne-doodle. She is a scrappy little squirt but she is so sweet and LOVES kids.



Caption 16



Why we are adopting

We chose to adopt because of Emma's older sister adopted her three kiddos. She is incredibly close to all of them and knew from age 15 she wanted to adopt a child. Ian also loved the plan of adoption.



We Promise to:

- Be a safe and loving home.
- Raise our children to be kind, respectful, and ethical humans.
- Teach our children about their story, birth family, and heritage.
- Encourage our children to explore their backgrounds.
- Provide our children with opportunities to be successful.
- Build a strong family unit where we challenge each other to be better people.
- Love them forever.

FUN FACTS about us



Every holiday we plan matching outfits for all of the cousins.



We love to dress up for Halloween as a family. We also enjoy nerf gun wars with Gavin and Harrison.

We enjoy traveling together. Our favorite places are Joshua Tree, Telluride, The Grand Canyon, Disneyland, and Hawaii. This summer will be our first trip to Alaska!



Emma is the youngest of four older sisters.



Thank
you

Thank you so much for your time! We look forward to connecting with you!

Ian + Emmalin