

Taylor  
& Brie



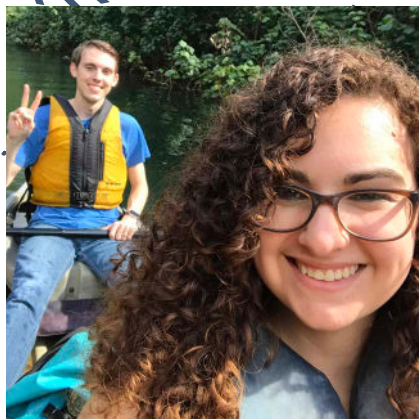
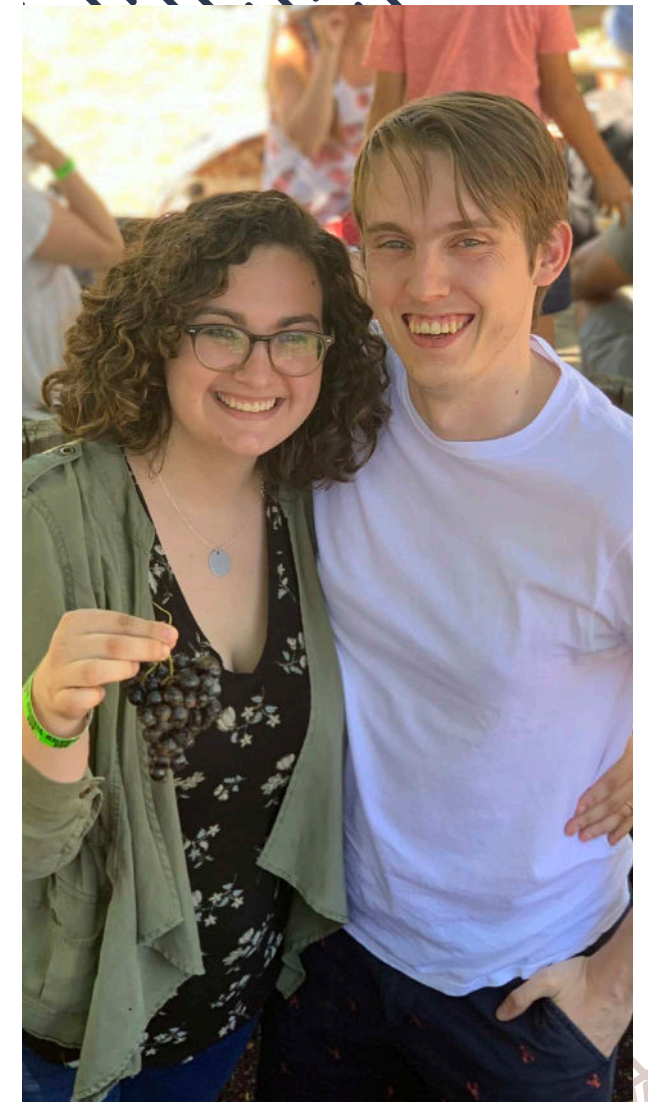


# hello there,

Before we get into anything else, we want to say thank you. We are incredibly grateful that you are considering us as a potential adoptive family and we hope that this profile gives you a good idea of who we are as a family and how strong our love for one another is. That love will naturally extend to both you and your family, if we are chosen to parent your child. We promise to love them unconditionally and support them no matter what. We promise to raise them to be a good person, kind-hearted, and someone who finds joy in all things.

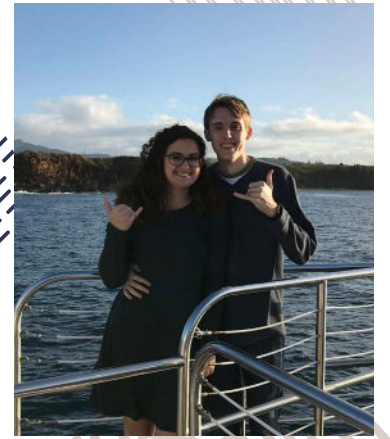
Much love,

*Taylor + Brie*





# our story



When we started college, we were both engineering majors and were sent to a freshman engineering camp to network and learn more about our classmates and professors. Taylor noticed Brie and had been trying to get her attention all day... finally resorting to throwing a pebble. He got her attention for sure! Brie rolled her eyes at him but sat down with the group and they got to talking... the rest is history! We dated for 4 years before getting married, and have been married for 5 years now. After being married 3 years, we had a biological daughter, Eliza. We were blessed to have her in our lives for 11 precious months before an unfortunate infection took her far too soon.



“Family is the greatest adventure of all.”



# about brie

(by Taylor)



Brie is my best friend and I am blessed to share my life with her. From planning road trips to what we would want to do for dinner, I feel like we are always in sync. During the time we had with Eliza, Brie showed just how incredible of a mother she is. I've always known she was great with kids in general, but when she held Eliza, she would shine like the sun.

Brie has incredible determination, and has never been one to give up. When she brings that creativity and determination into her work as a teacher, it's almost like magic. Her students look up to her and can clearly feel how she cares for them. I can't wait to watch her mother another child.



More About

*Brie*

**AGE:** 27

**OCCUPATION:** Teacher

**FAVORITE PLACE:** Zion National Park

**CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT:** Our family—we're such a tight-knit bunch.

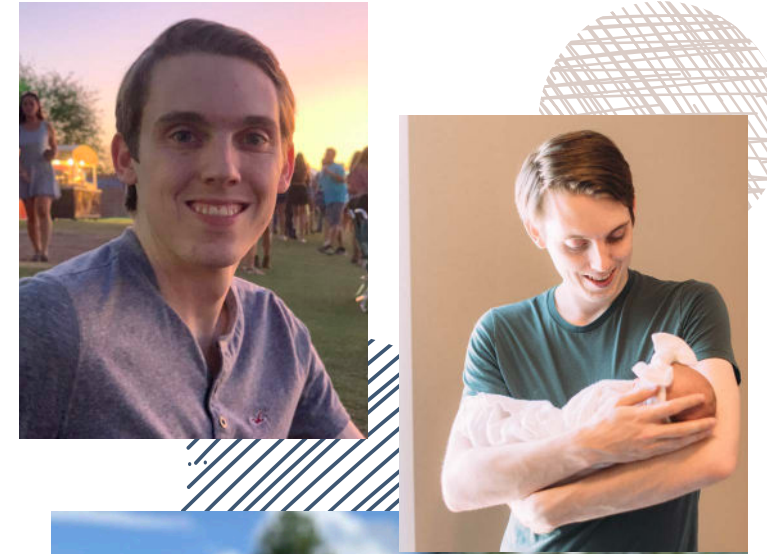
**MY PERFECT DAY:** Spending the morning outside, a trip to the library, and spending the evening playing board games with friends and family.

“Brie's creativity never ceases to amaze me.”

*-Taylor*

# about taylor

(by Brie)



Taylor is such an amazing person; a great friend, a loving husband, and was a wonderful dad to our sweet little girl. Seeing him with Eliza was the highlight of my day, always playing and singing to her, and telling her the best stories. Taylor is kind and extremely patient. He encourages everyone to be the very best version of themselves.

Taylor can turn any ordinary day into a grand adventure. He always plans amazing excursions, whether they be hikes in the cooler months, trips to Disneyland, visiting national parks, or even just a drive around town. It doesn't matter if it is pre-planned or very spur of the moment, he will respond with the same enthusiasm!



More About

*Taylor*

**AGE:** 28

**OCCUPATION:** Engineer

**FAVORITE PLACE:** Disneyland

**CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT:** My lovely wife and dear friends, who have been there for me for years.

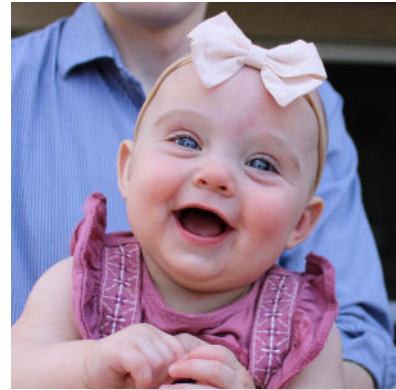
**MY PERFECT DAY:** Spending a day in a place with new sights and sounds, and being able to eat as much of the amazing local food as possible!

“Taylor's heart for family is one of the things I love most about him.”

*-Brie*

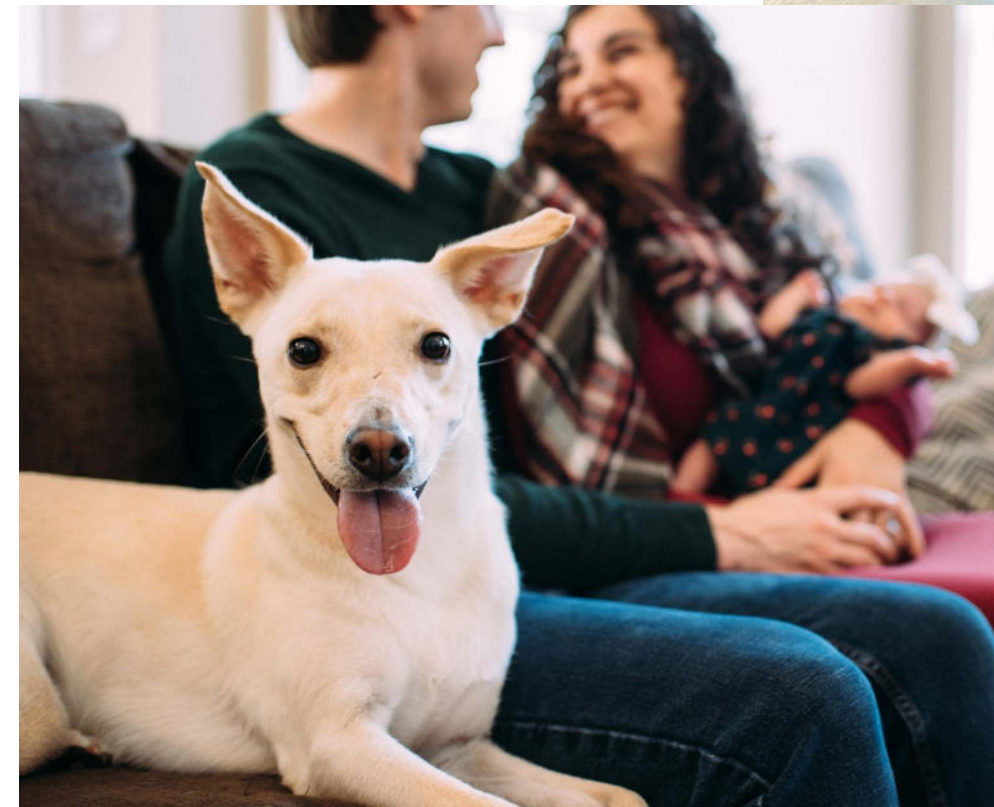
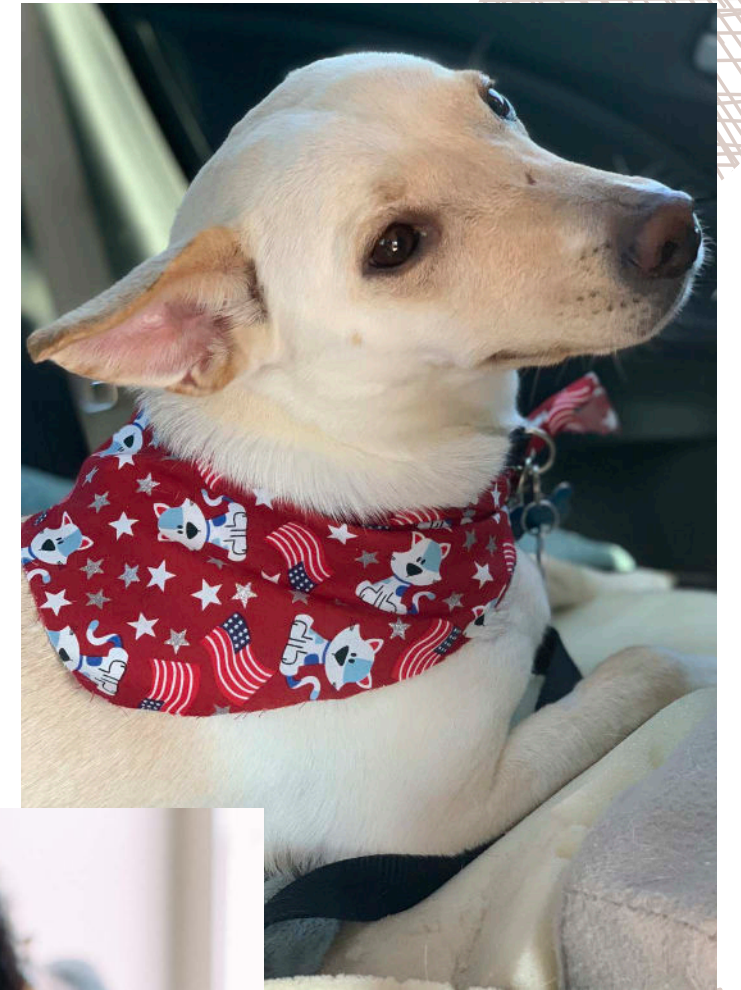
# remembering eliza

Eliza was the sweetest, happiest little girl anyone could meet. She loved blowing raspberries at everyone in sight, her favorite toys were rubber duckies of all varieties, and she would try to eat any food she could get her little hands on! She was the second of 3 little girls born in our extended family within 13 months of each other, affectionately dubbed the "chaos crew." We were blessed to have her in our lives for 11 precious months before meningitis took her from us far too soon.



# our dog, merlin

Merlin is our adorable rescue pup! He is 5 years old and is extremely sweet, especially with kids. With Eliza, he would lay right by her anytime he could; he's definitely a pup that loves his people. He is a mix of a Labrador Retriever and Whippet (kind of like a small Greyhound) -- so he is super fast and energetic, but also very snuggly.



# our family

**Brie's family, in her words:** My family gets together quite regularly, especially with most of us living within about 20 minutes of each other. We see my parents much more frequently than my sister and her family, but that's because we're actually neighbors. When everyone gets together for the holidays, it is an energetic group for sure, especially when games get involved! We always play at least one game of LCR (Left Center Right), and it always ends in laughter and cheers.

**Taylor's family, in his words:** We are very close with my parents and sister, Haley, and thankfully all of my extended family lives in Arizona so we always find ourselves together during the holidays. We all take pride in the homemade meals we bring to enjoy together, such as my mom's BBQ ribs. Every holiday is filled with the sounds of an NFL game playing in the background while the family plays poker and solves jigsaw puzzles.

“ Our loved ones are just as excited as we are to welcome a new member of the family. ”



Post-lunch puzzling



Zoo with Brie's family



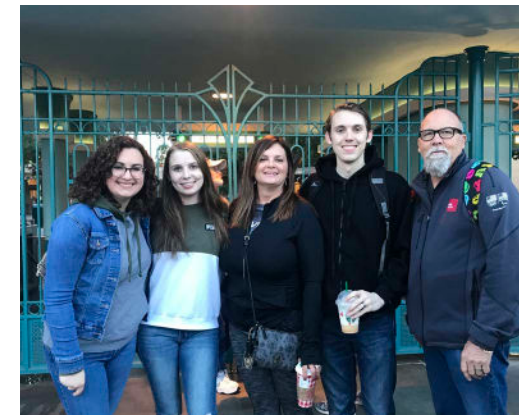
Family beach day



Big gatherings are the best



Peach picking



Thanksgiving at Disneyland



Family dinner



Christmas with Nana

# our friends

Our friends are some of the most amazing people you'll ever meet. They're so supportive, funny, and always down for a good time. The majority of our friend group have been in our lives since junior high or high school. We have frequent game nights to spend time together, and are in pretty regular contact outside of that.



Friends since Girl Scouts



Admiring the ring



Old band buddies

# our home & community

We live in Arizona in a lovely single-story home with a big yard in the same neighborhood as Brie's parents and grandmother. All our extended family lives within an hour of us, making our home the natural meeting point for many people. The schools in the area are wonderful, and Brie grew up in this neighborhood so she has seen it thrive over the years. There are many playgrounds nearby, as well as a wonderful library system and community pool we imagine spending many summer days at.



Nearby park



Dining room



To Grandmothers house we go



Home sweet home

# why adoption



Adoption was discussed early in our relationship as something we both wanted to do at some point. It was never a question if we would adopt. It was a matter of when. Brie's family pursued being foster parents for a time, and Taylor's family was also considering adoption. After we got married, Brie's pregnancies with our daughter and the multiple miscarriages were very tough so we decided that we would grow our family solely through adoption after that.

“ It was never a question if we would adopt. It was just a matter of when. ”

## our promises to our future child

- We promise to love you unconditionally.
- You will grow up knowing about your first family and how much they love you.
- We promise to honor your first family's heritage.
- We promise to celebrate all your victories and support you in times of trouble.
- We will do everything we can to help you achieve whatever you want in life.
- We promise to remind you daily how much of a blessing you are to our family.

# fun facts

about *us*



We love to hike when the weather is cool enough.



Brie carries on a tradition of quilting and sewing, inspired by her grandmother.



Our families love going all-out for a laugh, especially if silly costumes are involved.



We have regular game nights with friends.



We love Disney!



Taylor loves to cook, and tries out a new recipe every other week.



We have visited every national park and historic site in Arizona, and hope to visit many more through the years.



We are always up for an adventure!





# Thank you!



It is difficult to find the right words to properly express our gratitude. In making an adoption plan, you have gone on an incredibly difficult journey and we cannot pretend to understand exactly what you are going through. Whatever your decision is, we thank you for considering us to love and cherish this child. Our family will always celebrate all the ways we come together, including you! We would love to get to know you!

With love,

*Taylor + Brie*