



### our story

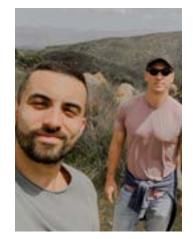
We met at an outdoor restaurant in Florida, both dancing to Rihanna; we both say we were the one to approach the other first. Jeff was finishing the fourth year of his Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine, and David had his own digital video production company. Jeff fell in love with David's infectious laugh and spirit, where David says it was Jeff's sense of humor and intelligence that drew him in. We bought a house and moved to California a year later.

Jeff practices mostly emergency medicine with dogs and cats, and David creates videos and online content for makeup and beauty brands. We enjoy working out at our CrossFit gym, hiking, taking our dogs to the park, and going to the beach. Our interests include traveling, photography, theater/arts, volleyball, and softball. We pride ourselves on being an active, outdoorsy, and adventurous family with a wide range of interests.



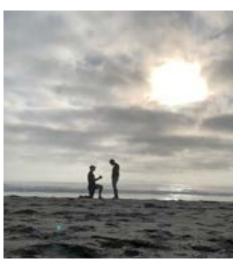






"Love knows no boundaries, and in the embrace of two souls, a family is born. Together, they defy stereotypes and build a future filled with love, acceptance, and the joy of creating a family that knows no limits."











### about jeff

Jeff is an incredible person. He is not only smart and educated, but also outgoing and funny; always bringing laughter and joy into our lives. His favorite part of being a veterinarian is not only his love of animals, but performing surgery, which always blows my mind! Jeff has had some amazing experiences in his life from living abroad in the Caribbean, to working as an extra on a Jonny Depp film in a bank robbery scene. He cannot wait to have more experiences and create memories with a child by our side. I love that he is protective and always looks out for our family's well-being. He works tirelessly to provide for us, ensuring that we have everything we need. I am grateful every day to have such an amazing partner by my side.



#### meet david

BY JEFF

David is an amazing person! He is loving, caring, thoughtful, and hilarious, making every day interesting and fun. He loves listening to 90s Mariah Carey songs while he cleans, making Saturday morning chores fun. I have never met anyone who takes care of his family the way David does. He has a knack for making everyone laugh and ensuring that everyone's needs are met. His passion for cooking and entertaining brings joy to those around him, and his skills as a photographer and videographer capture beautiful memories. He is always making traditional Puerto Rican dishes and tries a lot of new and different recipes. With his love and dedication, I have no doubt that he will create a wonderful childhood for our kids, filled with laughter, delicious food, and cherished moments.





#### meetjell

**OCCUPATION:** Veterinarian

FAVORITE BOOK & MOVIE: Pride and Prejudice

FAVORITE PLACE: Grenada (the Caribbean)

CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT: Hot Cheetos

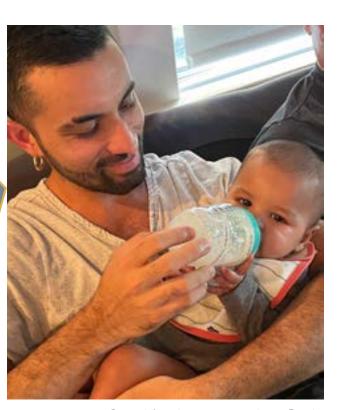
PERFECT DAY: Anything with good food, good

weather, and good companu

MY FAVORITE TRADITION: I love Christmas and have always opened one present on the night of Christmas Eve, it is a tradition I am looking

"I Love You Most."

- David



David feeding our nephew Rachi

#### emeet david

OCCUPATION: Head of Video Production

**FAVORITE MOVIE:** Pride & Prejudice

FAVORITE PLACE: London

CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT: Jeff's famous steak and

**PERFECT DAY:** Vacationing at a pool, with Jeff, on a sunnu dau

**MY FAVORITE TRADITION:** Getting McDonalds breakfast on any road trip we go on

"Everything in life is a choice and I choose him every day."

- Je

# our home E community

Our home is a three-bedroom, two-bathroom home. Our large, fenced backyard is complete with a deck, outdoor dining/BBQ area, pool, and plenty of space for kids/dogs to run around. Our house sits on a hill in a cul-de-sac overlooking our diverse family neighborhood, which has a large family park. Our neighborhood has several community centers with recreational science and arts programs for kids and hiking trails for families. Our city is full of family-friendly attractions, like zoos, amusement parks, and beaches. We have quality public charter schools for all grades. California provides an amazing climate for year-round outdoor family activities.



Our dogs Zoe and Bustelo



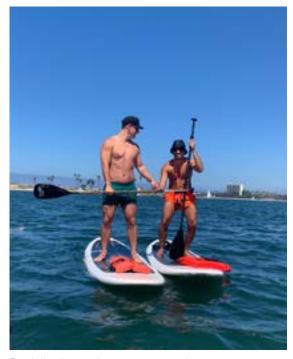
Our kickball team



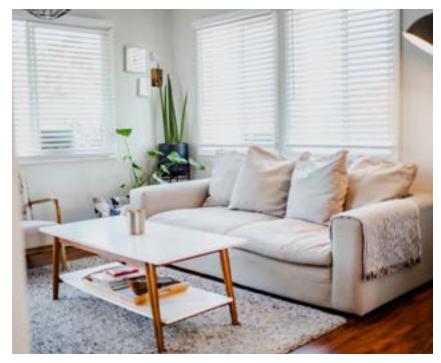
Our home in California



Local California scenery



Paddle-boarding near our home



Our family room

Our dogs,

BUSTELO, ZOE & BALOO

We have three dogs: 6-year-old Bustelo, 4-year-old Zoe, and 4-year-old Baloo. They're all rescues ranging in sizes and all very fun-loving and good with children.





### our extended family

Our family is large and diverse. David's family is 100% Puerto Rican, which includes both his parents, who are still married, his sisters, their husbands, and his nephews. Jeff's immediate family is multi-racial with family members of Puerto Rician, African American, Mexican and Irish decent including his father, stepmother, mother, and stepfather with two sisters and their spouses. Jeff also has five stepbrothers and sisters, with a total of 10 nieces and nephews and certainly more to come. We enjoy diverse and varied holiday traditions, playing games, and traveling abroad together to Europe, Mexico, the Caribbean, etc. Our families are thrilled to welcome a new baby.



Jeff's family at his sister's wedding



David's sister and our nephews



Jeff's Dad, Stepmom, Sister



David's family at Thanksgiving

### our friends?

We have a diverse group of friends who are all active and love to engage in various activities and enjoy life to the fullest. Whether it's hiking, working out, swimming, going to the beach, or simply taking the dogs for a walk, our group of friends always finds ways to have fun and stay healthy together. We support and encourage each other in our individual pursuits and celebrate each others differences, creating a vibrant and inclusive community that adds even more joy and excitement to our journey of building a family.





Friends in Chicago



Friends in Napa



Christmas gym workout

FUN FACTS ABOUT

## cour family

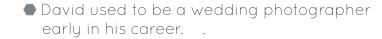
- We both have done CrossFit together for many years.
- David's favorite food is anything with rice but he does not like spicy food.
- Jeff plays first base for his softball team that he has been on for many years.
- Jeff and David have matching "Choose" tattoos which represent their dedication and commitment to their marriage.
- Jeff's Mom and Stepdad live in Mexico.











- Jeff's favorite subject is History; specifically British history.
- David's favorite holiday is Halloween, and I know he plans on dressing us up in family themed costumes every year.
- We love to travel and make it a point to take both small and big trips yearly.





David at work



Gym Halloween party



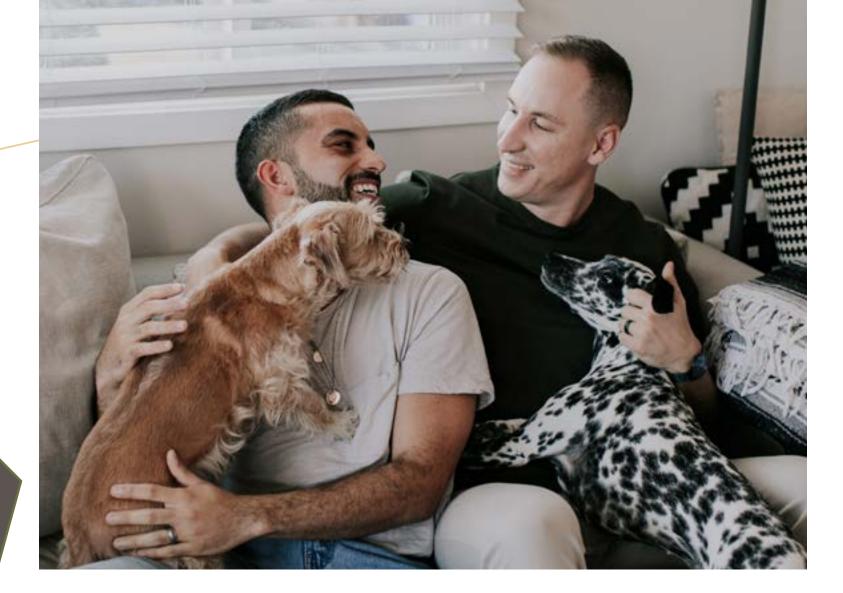
#### why adoption

We want nothing more than to fulfill our dreams of becoming parents and create a positive and devoted home, always proving a safe and loving environment for our future child. Our decision to adopt is driven by our deep desire to love and care for a child, to provide them with a lifetime of laughter, happiness, and endless opportunities. We are excited to embark on this journey with you and create a loving and inclusive family together.

#### **OUR PROMISES**

- We promise above all to love, support and protect our future child.
- We promise to encourage them to be who they are destined to become.
- We promise to provide for them and give them every opportunity we can.
- We promise to accept them for who they are.
- We promise to respect them.
  - We promise to be flexible and know that parenting will always surprise us in ways we could never imagine.

"We always knew adoption was the route we would go when starting a family as we want to be able to provide a loving and stable home for a child."



## Thank you

We want to express our deepest gratitude for considering our profile. We understand that this is a difficult decision for you, and we are truly honored that you are considering us to be the parents of your child. We want you to know that we will always cherish and love your child unconditionally. We are committed to providing a safe, nurturing, and loving home where your child can thrive and grow. Thank you for giving us this incredible opportunity to become parents.

With heartfelt appreciation,

jell & david

