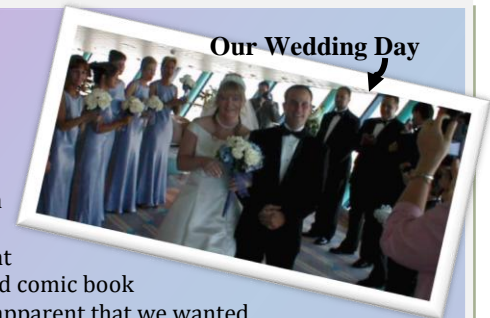


Dear Birthparent(s),

First and foremost, we would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts that you chose to give your child life. We know that your decision takes a lot of faith, love, and courage on your part. God has definitely blessed our family and guided us to this wonderful path of adoption. Thank you so much for considering our family in your adoption plans.

We feel it is very important that a child know and appreciate his or her birthparents selfless decision. We honor that connection with openness in adoption.



Our Wedding Day

About Us...

Our names are Ann and Brent and we have a son named Connor. We met while in college at our first job and we became close friends before we went on our first date. Our first date was attending a Pink Floyd concert and Brent had to sell some of his favorite childhood comic book collectables for the tickets. It was soon apparent that we wanted to spend the rest of our lives together, but we wanted to finish college before we got married and start a family. Following college, we married on a wonderful cruise in the Bahamas with all of our closest family and friends in 2000.

We built our first home in 2001 and welcomed our son, Connor, in 2003. Although we are not able to have any more biological children, our hearts have much love to give.

Our first home



Connor was born in August of 2003 and he cannot wait to have a baby brother or sister to call his own. He wants to be a big brother

and he is such a loving and giving child. Ann has put her career on hold to concentrate her attention on being a stay at home Mom. This is our choice so that we may instill Christian values that we grew up with in our families. Connor participates in part-time Pre K classes, gymnastics, and sports camps. This year, he will begin Kindergarten at a nearby school. As a family, we ride bikes in the neighborhood, play board games, and make regular trips to the beach.



On Vacation

Both of our families live very close and we are fortunate to be a part of frequent family gatherings, church functions, dinners, BBQs, and parties. We love attending family weddings, first communions, school plays, and ballgames by our many nieces and nephews. We also have a cat named Pookie. Pookie was an adorable stray that ended up on our doorstep and we just couldn't turn her away. Brent didn't approve of the name Pookie because he was embarrassed to take her to the vet and have "Pookie" called out in the waiting area. But soon Pookie grew on him and he calls out to her every morning for breakfast.

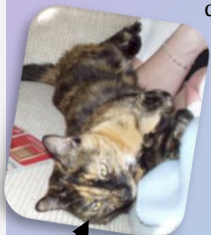
About Ann... I grew up on a large farm in Ohio and I am the youngest of 6 children

which includes my twin brother. I am very close to my brothers and sisters and parents. Growing up, I participated in 4-H and showed livestock at the county fairs. One of my favorite activities with my sisters is to get together for theme nights and watch events such as *Dancing with the Stars* and *American Idol*. I enjoy coordinating play dates with friends and family and we go shopping, visit museums, and parks. During and after college, I worked as an Optician for a private eye doctor. My hobbies are traveling, cooking, fashion, home decorating, playing softball, and yoga. I also love to work on home improvement projects and crafts with my family.



Family Thanksgiving

About Brent... I grew up a military brat so I was able to take advantage of living all over the world through high school. I spent my childhood years in Delaware, Texas, California, Spain, and Montana before landing in Ohio for college. After graduating from college, I started developing computer training classes and techniques so our government workers can learn how to use new computer systems that are being developed. I have been a swimming instructor and swim coach since high school, teaching young children how to swim and all the fundamental skills such as diving and flip turns. I have a lot of experience teaching people all ages how to swim, from toddlers to elderly adults. My hobbies are fishing, swimming, going to the beach, and playing with Connor. I am a football fan (my favorite team is the Dallas Cowboys) and I love to watch basketball (my favorite player is Shaquille O'Neil). I enjoy doing yard work, working in the garage, and home improvement projects around the house.



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Thank you for your time in learning a little about our family. Whatever you decide, may God bless you, your child, and your loved ones. We are very excited about having another baby in our family to love, nurture, and grow with. A child is a precious gift that comes with a lifelong commitment that we hold dear to our hearts.



Sincerely,

You may choose this family or any of the others approved by Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley, which is a state licensed adoption agency. This family represents the agency and informing the community about pregnancy, counseling, and adoption services. Please call Beginnings u # -223-7217 or 1-800-300-2937.