

Active, Fun-Loving Family Hoping to Adopt!



Dave and Kim

Hello!



Thank you so much for choosing to look at our profile! We know that you are facing a difficult decision, and we appreciate you taking the time to learn more about us. . Even though we don't know you, we have so much respect and admiration for you, and know the plan you are making is out of pure love. We hope that looking through our pictures and reading about us, you will feel comforted seeing how much we want to share our lives with a child. We could not conceive after having our first child, and had our second child through surrogacy. We think adoption is a wonderful way to complete our family, and not a day goes by that we don't talk about how excited we are to adopt a baby!

We are very close with both of our families, and all of our relatives live less than 2 hours from us. We have lots of friends close by. Both of our parents are very active as grandparents to our kids, and can't wait to have a new grandchild to spoil! They were so excited when we shared our plans of adopting.

Kim is a stay at home mom and former teacher. She works a few hours a week tutoring young students. Dave is a scientist at a biotech company, and takes pride in making medicine that helps others. Education is important to both of us, and we want to give your child every opportunity to succeed.

When we adopt, Kim will stay home to care for the baby. Together, they will take Mommy and Me classes, music classes and attend playgroups. Your child will have two loving brothers to grow up with and share childhood together. They can't wait to be big brothers to a new baby! The child we adopt will always be the "baby" of our family, and receive lots of love and attention from all of us!

Please know that we think about you, pray for you, and send you positive thoughts daily. We wish you all the best with the decisions you are making for you and your child.

With Love,
Dave and Kim



Our Favorites

Favorite	Dave	Kim
Food	steak	guacamole
Song	Thunder Road	Fast Car
Vacation	Costa Rica	Costa Rica, Disney
Weekend Activity	Fishing, playing guitar, playing sports	Swimming, bike riding, going to plays
Drink	iced tea	iced tea
Candy	Cadbury Cream Eggs	Reece's Peanut Butter Cups
Childhood Activity	playing baseball, beach volleyball	dance lessons, school plays
Book	Anything science related	Poinsonwood Bible
Childhood Memory	playing catch with my dad	being with my family on my dad's boat

Enjoying a Broadway Show

Why I Love Kim, by Dave

The qualities that first attracted me to Kim were her intelligence, fun spirit and interest in adventure. I used to be afraid to fly on airplanes, and Kim helped me overcome that fear by showing me how much fun traveling is. By our first wedding anniversary, she convinced me to take a tiny plane across Costa Rica, which was a lot more fun than I expected! When I'm upset about something, Kim talks me through the problem until I feel better. She is a great listener (something I'm learning to be better at from her!). She takes great care of our kids every day, and has so much patience. She makes every day fun for them, and takes them to music classes, does art projects with them, and invites their friends over to go in the sprinkler in the backyard. Our home is often filled with the scent of her homemade cookies and cupcakes. She is so excited to raise another baby, and will be as nurturing and wonderful with the new baby as she has been with our other two kids.



Kim loves to travel, and even went around the world in college on Semester at Sea



Kim grew up dancing, and enjoys teaching our kids to dance



Kim, as a Stay at Home Mom

I have always wanted to stay home with my kids, and love that Dave has given me the gift of doing so. Dave and I always knew that when we both finished school, it was important that one of us be home to raise our children. Both of our moms did this for us, and we wanted to be able to give that to our children. I end every day by saying to Dave, "Thanks for giving me the opportunity to stay home with our kids". As a stay at home mom, I enjoy being the room parent for our sons, and they love having me with them for school parties and field trips.

Although I enjoyed being a teacher, I love that I never miss any of the little moments with our kids. I love dedicating my time to giving our kids experiences, such as sports, art projects, classes, helping them develop friendships, and fostering their independence. I get to pick them up from school every day and take care of them when they are sick. Our children and their friends are always gathering in our home to play in the backyard, enjoy after school cookies, or build a fort in our living room!

Kim, volunteering at our kids' school



Why I Love Dave, by Kim

The qualities that first attracted me to Dave were his sweet disposition, his intelligence, and his attentiveness to me. He often surprised me with thoughtful gifts and dates. I liked that he was driven to earn his doctorate, and now works really hard to support our family. But he is also a lot of fun! He takes guitar lessons and has gotten really good at entertaining us with his songs. He will suggest we make breakfast for dinner, or watch a movie and have a picnic in the living room. He watches baseball and football with enthusiasm, and loves to plan backyard parties and vacations to the beach. As a father, he is an amazing role model, and I hope that our kids learn from his determination. He coaches the kids' sports, loves to joke around with the kids, and greets them every day with big hugs, tickling and a game of hide and seek. He is looking forward to adopting a baby and learning his/ her unique personality. I know he will be the such a loving dad to our new baby!



Dave and our son, Dylan
joking around on vacation



Dr. Dave, as our Provider

I went to college on a baseball scholarship and although I would have loved to spend my life playing baseball I also always loved science. I earned my Ph.D. in Molecular Biology, which has earned me the title of "Dr. Dave". I love my job as a scientist, and feel good about creating medicine that help sick people. It makes me very happy that I can support our family working at a job that I love. It is also important to me that my company is so family friendly. My hours are flexible so I can be home in time for family dinner every evening, and have time to coach our kids' sports on the weekend. Our company also has several family parties a year, as well as a "Kid's Science Day" just for children of employees. I enjoy teaching our kids about science, and have fun taking them to my lab so they can learn science hands-on.

Dave, doing a science experiment
for Dylan's class



Dave, coaching baseball



Playing around
and dressing up
as Scientists at
Dave's work
party

Two Big Brothers

Both boys can't wait to have a sibling! We hope to adopt soon as we have always wanted to have our children close in age, and the new baby will have 2 big brothers to watch over him/her. Dylan tells everyone we are adopting a baby, and Alex loves to push his stuffed animals around in a doll stroller and pretend they are his baby. We know they will both be nurturing and kind with their younger sibling!

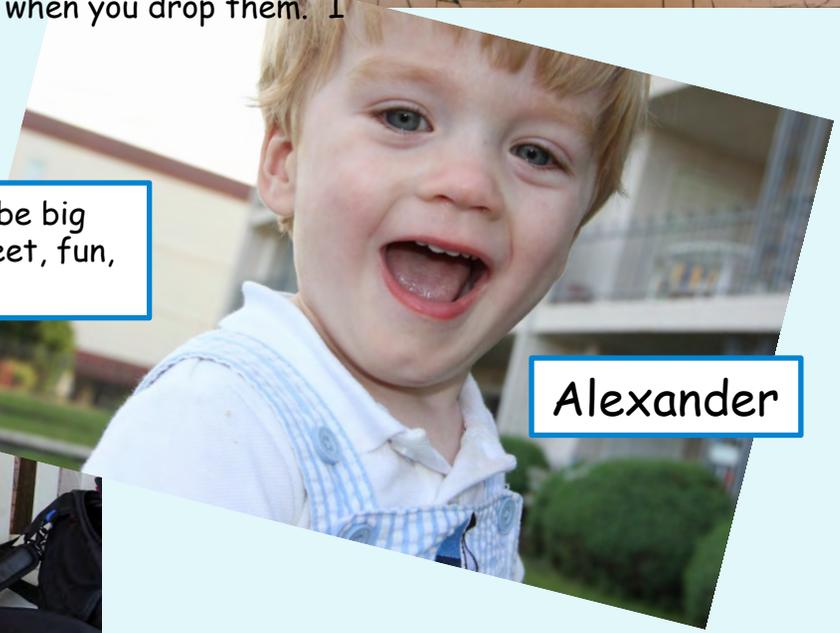


Dylan

Dear Baby,
I'm just really excited! I know you will be a nice baby. I will teach you how to use a stool to get things that are up high, tell you jokes and teach you how to feed yourself. I will even let you suck on my fingers unless you get a tooth too quick! You will have 2 big brothers. My daddy will hold you high in the air, and say "flying baby"! Mommy will give you bottles. If you are scared of spiders, Daddy will take them outside with a napkin. I will pick up your toys for you when you drop them. I love you baby.
Love,
Dylan



Our 2 sons, age 6 and 2, can't wait to be big brothers to a new baby. They are sweet, fun, and make everyday an adventure!



Alexander

Family Traditions

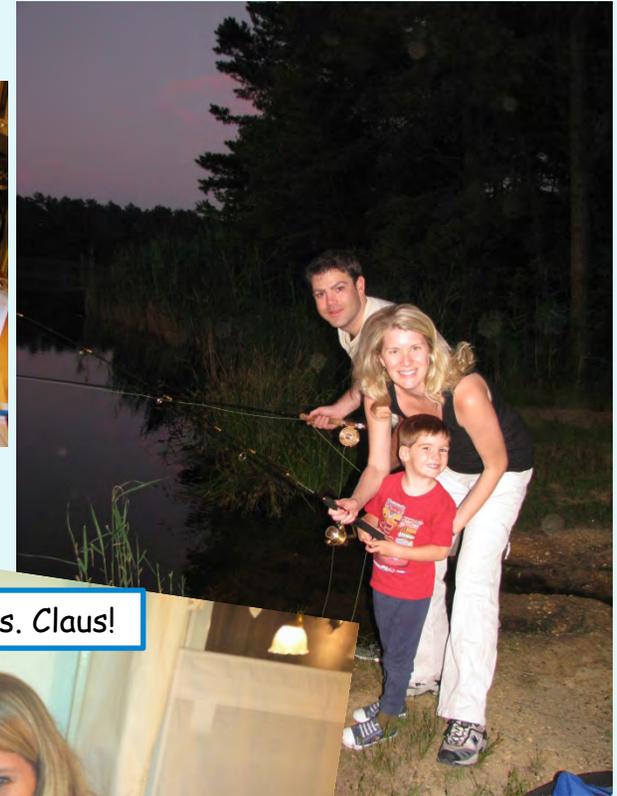
Fishing at a local lake, one of our favorite family activities.



Dave and Kim, ringing in the new year with lots of good friends.



Painting pumpkins in the kitchen



We dress our youngest baby as Santa's little elf, and we look forward to doing it again with our new baby!



Santa Dave and Mrs. Claus!

Our fenced in backyard; great for running in the sprinkler on a hot summer day!

Our Lives Together

Dave and Kim biking on the boardwalk



We have been married for about 10 years, and have been together for 12 years. We love to travel and have adventures as a family, such as taking hikes and bike riding, fishing, sledding in the winter, and swimming in the pool and going to the beach in the summer.

Our town is so kid-friendly, and includes sports teams, great schools and after school classes in just about any subject; dance, photography, cooking, etc! It is truly a place where children can pursue any interest or dream. Our goal as parents is to provide these opportunities. Our close proximity to a large city gives kids even more opportunity. We are within driving distance to both the ocean and the mountains. Our neighborhood is walk-able to school, a playground, and a movie theater. Our fenced in yard gives kids a safe and fun place to play and discover.



Sledding in the Winter



Home Sweet Home



Alex riding in the bike trailer; he needs a partner in there!



Our Values:

We were both raised in Christian families, and we believe in being kind to others, helping those less fortunate, and treating everyone in our lives with respect. Please know that if you choose us, we will raise your child with the same morals and values that we were raised with.

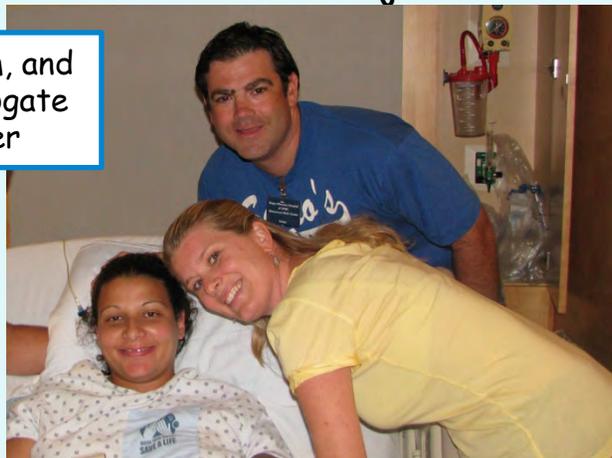
Alexander's
Baptism



On Adoption:

We believe that we were meant to adopt. We feel lucky and excited to have the opportunity to raise another child, and want nothing more than to give a baby a wonderful childhood. We just know that the right match is out there for us.

Dave, Kim, and
our surrogate
mother



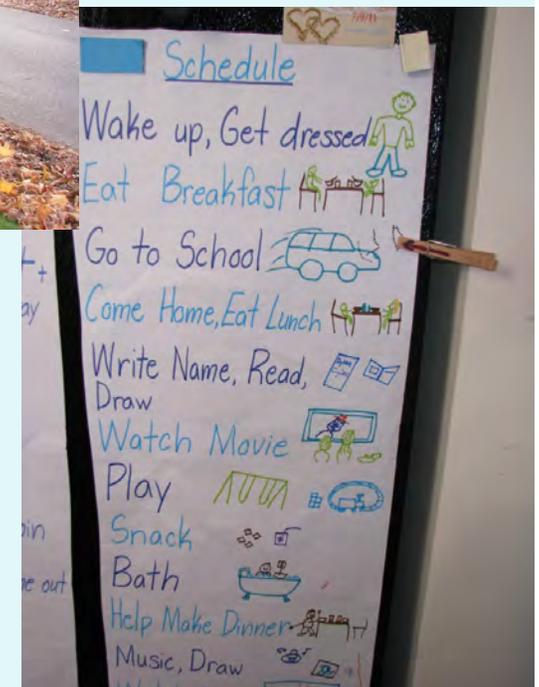
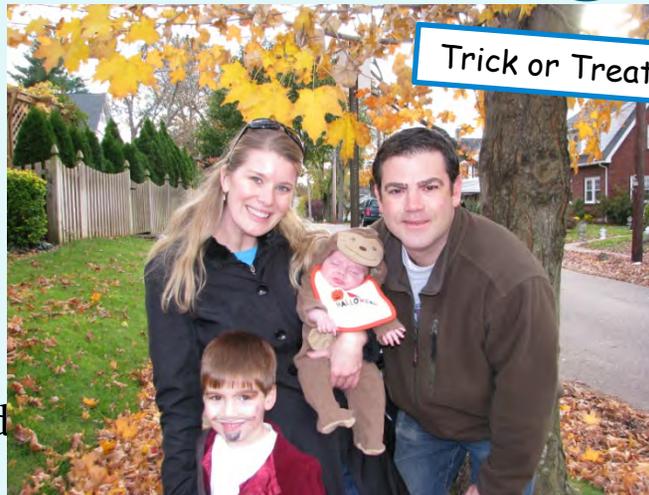
We were blessed to get to know Alex's surrogate mom (pictured left, after giving birth to Alex), and would love to get to know you too if you like. We are open to different levels of openness depending on your comfort. However, if you would like more privacy, we will respect that. We are here to support you in however you are most comfortable. Please know that we think about you, pray for you, and send you positive thoughts daily, and want you to know how courageous we think you are!

Our Thoughts on Parenting

We think that great parents are involved in their children's lives. We provide support, give them confidence in themselves, set boundaries, and love them unconditionally. We believe in listening to our children, talking them through their fears and problems, and giving them tools to help them problem-solve. When Dylan was afraid of monsters recently, we helped him make "monster spray", so every time he sees a scary image he can spray it away. This gave him the confidence to sleep with the light off at night.

We will support our children every step of the way, from walking them into their first day of kindergarten to helping them write college applications.

We believe it is our job as parents to give them the tools to do things independently, but let them know that their parents are always there for them, and always will be.



We enjoy creating a kid-friendly environment at home. This is our daily schedule, but there is always room for unexpected adventures!

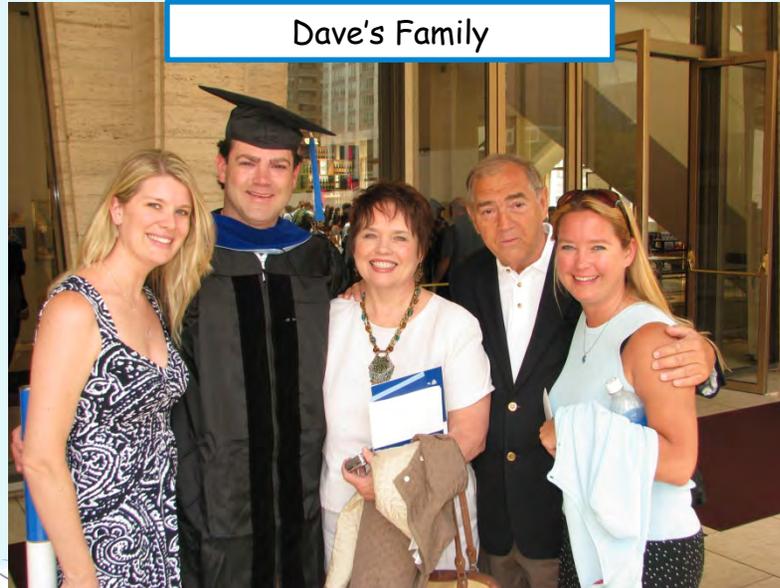
Our Extended Family

Our parents can't wait to spoil a new grandchild, and our brothers and sisters can't wait to welcome a new niece or nephew! The cousins are anxiously awaiting a new playmate!!

Once we adopt, our moms will take turns staying with us and taking care of our 2 sons, so we can devote all of our attention to the new baby.

Kim's Family: Kim, Alex, Dylan, her brother and our sister and law, our 2 nephews and her mom and dad (Grandma and Grandpa) and Aunt. One of her brothers lives in the same state as us, and her other brother lives in Japan! We have lots of fun visiting him!

Dave's Family



Dave's Family (left): Kim, Dave, Dave's mom and dad (Nana and Poppy) and his sister were all there to watch Dave earn his Ph.D.

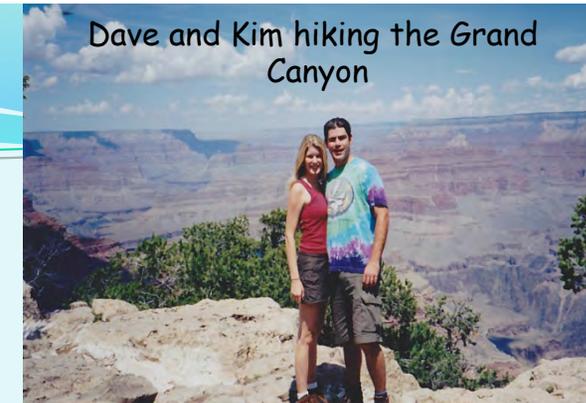
Kim's Family



Swimming in Grandma and Grandpa's pool, a favorite activity.



Travel and Adventures



Dave and Kim hiking the Grand Canyon

Traveling and learning about different cultures has made us more open-minded people, and this is a value that we hope to instill in our children. We plan on traveling all over the world with them as they grow older.

Taking a tiny plane across Costa Rica. Dave was scared at first, but then decided it was lots of fun!



(from left: Kim's Mom, Ross, Kim and Dylan)

We plan on visiting Japan again in the next few years!



Visiting Kim's brother Ross in Japan!



(Above, the 4 of us, with Mickey in Disney World)

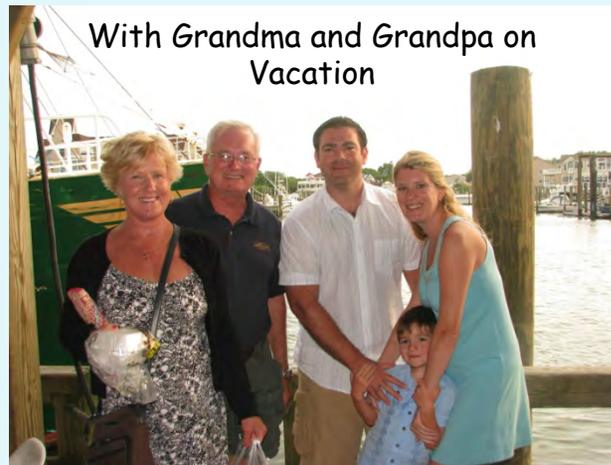
Once we adopt, our family will be complete. We plan to celebrate by taking a Disney cruise!

We can't wait to celebrate being a family of 5!

What our Family and Friends Say About Us

"As for David, one could not ask for a better father. He is smart, sensitive and a true family man." Elizabeth, family friend

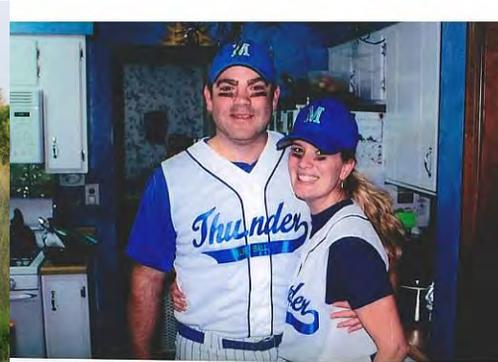
"Kim has been a resource for me with her patient and positive approach to parenting. She is always willing to try a new approach and will research ideas on how to raise kids in today's ever-changing world." Jennifer, mother of Dylan's classmate



"They are aware of the blessing and gift that children are." Sarah, Kim's friend from college
"Dylan is a delightful and well-behaved child. He is loving and articulate. I believe that this is largely due to the parenting he receives from Kim and Dave." Sarah, Kim's friend from college
"My husband and I have only trusted two families with the responsibility of watching our son... Kim and Dave are one of those families." Suzie, neighbor

Our Promise

- to love unconditionally
- to kiss boo boos
- to provide the best education available
- to camp in the backyard
- to always speak about you with love and respect
- to read bedtime stories every night
- to give lots of hugs and kisses everyday
- to fill our children with self confidence
- to encourage our children to dream big



Thank You

Thank you for taking the time to learn about us! We are excited about the possibility of creating a life of love, joy and discovery for your child, in a home filled with unconditional love and support, lots of fun, and every opportunity for your child to pursue his/her dreams. We believe adoption is a wonderful way to build families.

We know that the decision you are making is not easy, but please know that we think you are amazingly courageous to be going through this process. Please know that if you choose us, you can have faith that your amazing gift to us will be rewarded. Your child will have a life filled with joy, happiness, laughter and learning. We will love your child unconditionally and never forget where the gift came from. We sincerely wish you all the best!

With Love,

Dave and Kim,

Dylan and Alex

