



Dear Birthmother,

We want to acknowledge the difficulty of the decision you are making. We cannot fully appreciate your sacrifice but know that the only reason you're making this choice is because you love your baby and want only the best for him or her. We are humbled and honored by the prospect of welcoming another child into our home.

Thank you for taking the time to read about us and for considering us.





We are Sam and Holly, and we have a daughter Hope, who is three and a half. We are so excited to share our story with you. We met through mutual friends at church on a boat outing Sam was hosting. Holly says she fell in love with Sam's voice (he has a neat Norwegian accent)! Sam fell in love with the uncomplicated woman Holly is and her sense of hospitality. We have been joyfully married for almost 5 years.

Though we grew up in different countries, Sam and I grew up with similar backgrounds having similar values and beliefs. We had parents who were God fearing- God honoring people who taught us how to know God love.

We met each other later in life, but that gave each of us an opportunity to travel, serve God on mission trips, in our churches and develop a deep sense of who we each are. It has made the transition to marriage so easy!

We have been unable to have more children on our own, and believe that adoption is God's plan for our family. We are excited to add another child to our home and cannot wait to show your child all the love that we have and the amazing and exciting things the world has to offer!

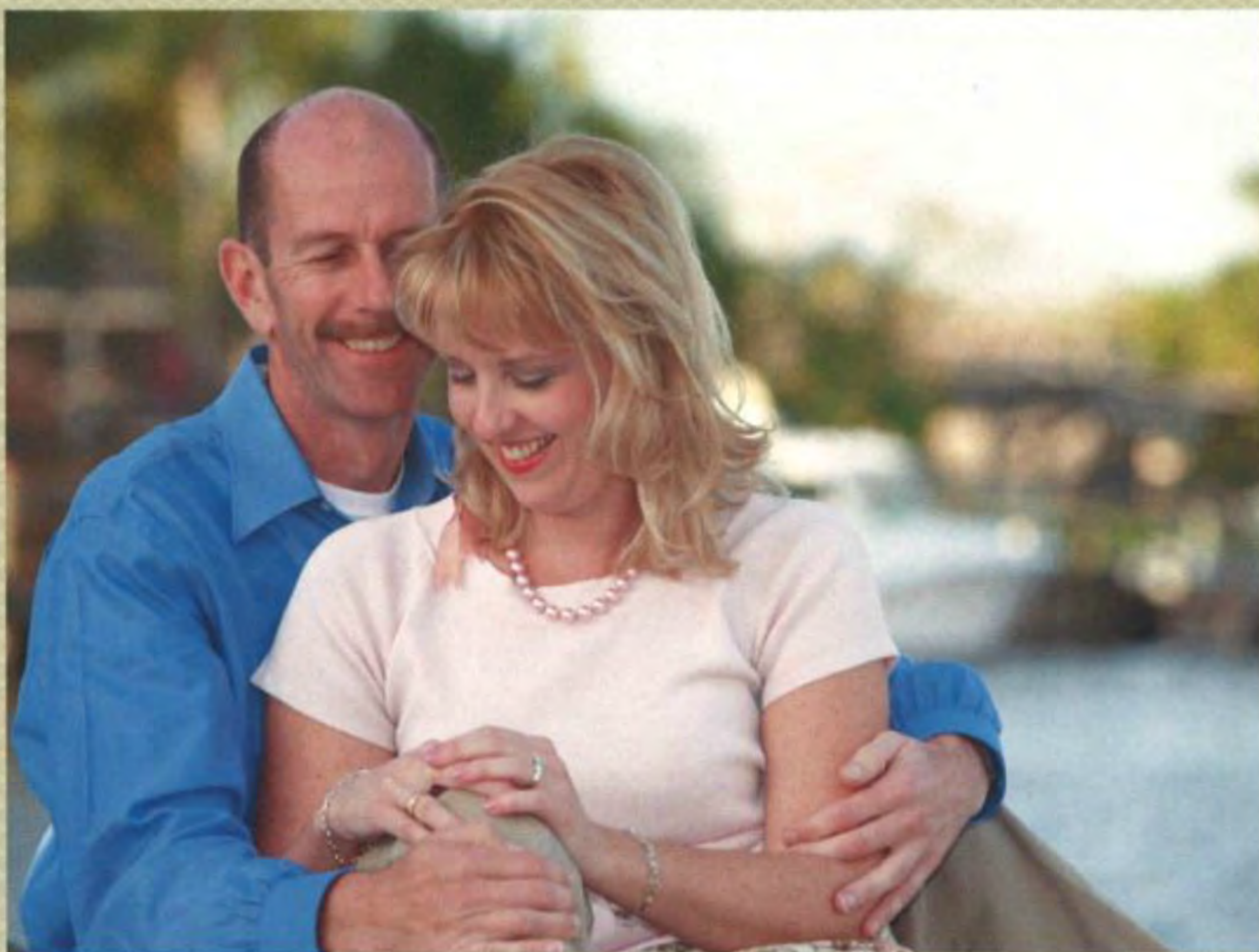


We believe in providing a loving, encouraging, happy home, as well as educational and serving opportunities to help a child grow to become the person God created them to be. We read lots of story books, enjoy family times and day to day life together.



We love quiet afternoons having coffee and tea on the porch and other days putting on our hiking shoes and climbing a mountain.





FUN FACTS ABOUT US:

- *Holly is a family nurse practitioner.
- *Sam is an airline pilot.
- *We love Christmas and decorating the house full of Christmas decorations.
- *Holly enjoys decorating for many of the holidays.
- *Holly is trying to learn to speak Norwegian!
- *Holly is the go -getter and Sam is the one who balances them.
- *We love our cat Freya!
- *Between each of us we have traveled to more than 45 countries.
- *We have fun entertaining and have our friends and their children over frequently.
- *We go to Norway in the summer to visit our family.
- *Though our immediate families are far away we have a deep connection with friends from our church who have become as close as family- and our children are like cousins to one another.



Holly's Mom: Phyllis -
Grandma.



In Norway
Sam's family
still wears
their National
Costume on
special
occasions.

Our big
family in
Norway!
Sam's parents
have been
married 54
years!



Sam's parents: Margrete & Paul
(FarMor & FarFar=Grandma & Grandpa).



OUR FAMILY

Sam was born and raised in Europe, in the country of Norway. He is the eldest of 6 brothers and sisters. They are a close and loving family who love being together. All of his family lives in Norway, but we are blessed to be able to visit them every summer and have many of them visit us here in America.

Holly was an only child and her dad passed away when she was only 10 years old. Because of this she is very close to her mom. Before getting married she and her mom did a lot of traveling around the world together.

Our families can't wait to welcome the newest little member of our family!



Sam is the most amazing husband I could have ever wished for and I thank God daily for the gift he is to our family and me. Sam has brought a sense of calm gentleness and kindness into our home.

He is tenderhearted and so giving towards my daughter and I. He is an amazing father who beams when he hears Hope call out for her "Pappa".

I am proud of who he has become. He came to this country from Norway to learn to be a pilot. He has struggled with poverty- living in a difficult situation but determined to make something of himself.

He has worked hard to become the successful blessed man he is today. His dream was to become an airline pilot, and today he is blessed with a fantastic job working for a international airline. His heart for the Lord is modeled in public and private. He has a great sense of humor, which fills our home with laughter.



Sam loves anything
that goes zoom....
boats- planes- and
cars!



Sam is very active. He
runs, golfs, boats, and
loves mountain
climbing- especially in
Norway!

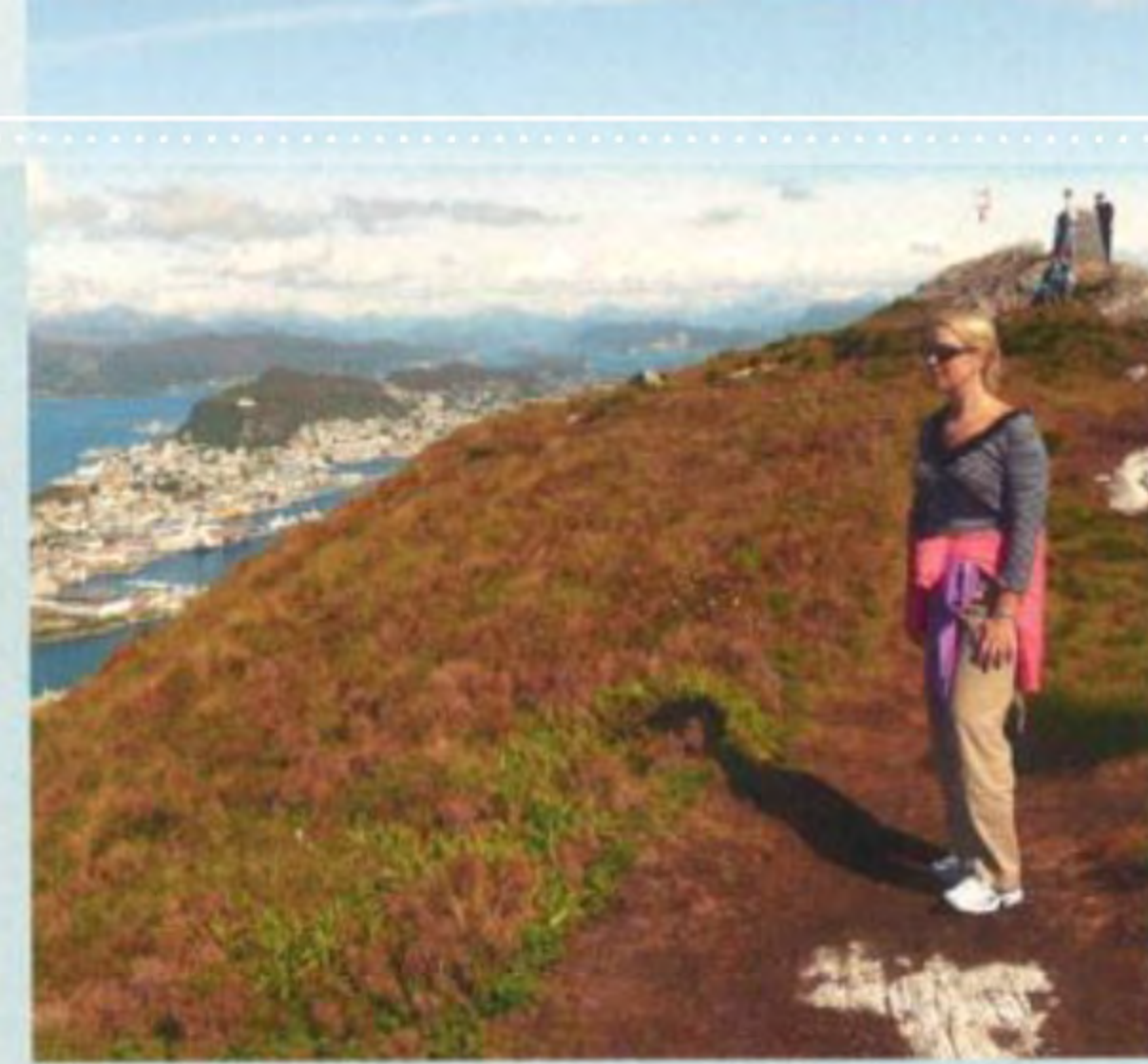


Sam looks forward to
the day he can teach his
children how to play
golf with him!



When I met Holly, it was as if everything came together perfectly. A lot of the things previously missing in my life, someone close to share all moments with in good times and bad. I love her because of what she is; smart, Godly and giving in so many ways. I love her for what she does; loving me and Hope unconditionally, being a true helper, and making our home what it is- the best place in the world to come home to.

Holly's works only three days a week at a job that is very flexible so that she can spend time raising our children. She is dedicated to raising a healthy, happy child. When she is not playing with Hope she is probably working on some way to make her life better. She might be reading Bible stories, or taking her to swim lessons, doing crafts or baking bread with her. Whatever Hope needs she provides. My heart is moved watching her love as a mother given to our child and know that she has more love to give and a second child will receive just as much love as Hope gets. I am blessed by the wonderful wife and mother she is.



Holly loves to travel, host big and small parties, and cook up a storm! She has a sense of determination and passion in all she goes after. She loves children and having fun with them. She will teach our children about God's love and help them discover all that the world has to offer!



One of Sam's loves is boating. He loves going on family boat trips, dropping anchor and going for a swim.



We also have a home by the beach where we love to relax and spend time together as a family. We have a home that cheers on each others successes, band aids the boo-boos, and hugs through the disappointments.



We love where we live and the fact that we are near museums, Disney World, our church, and friends we love.

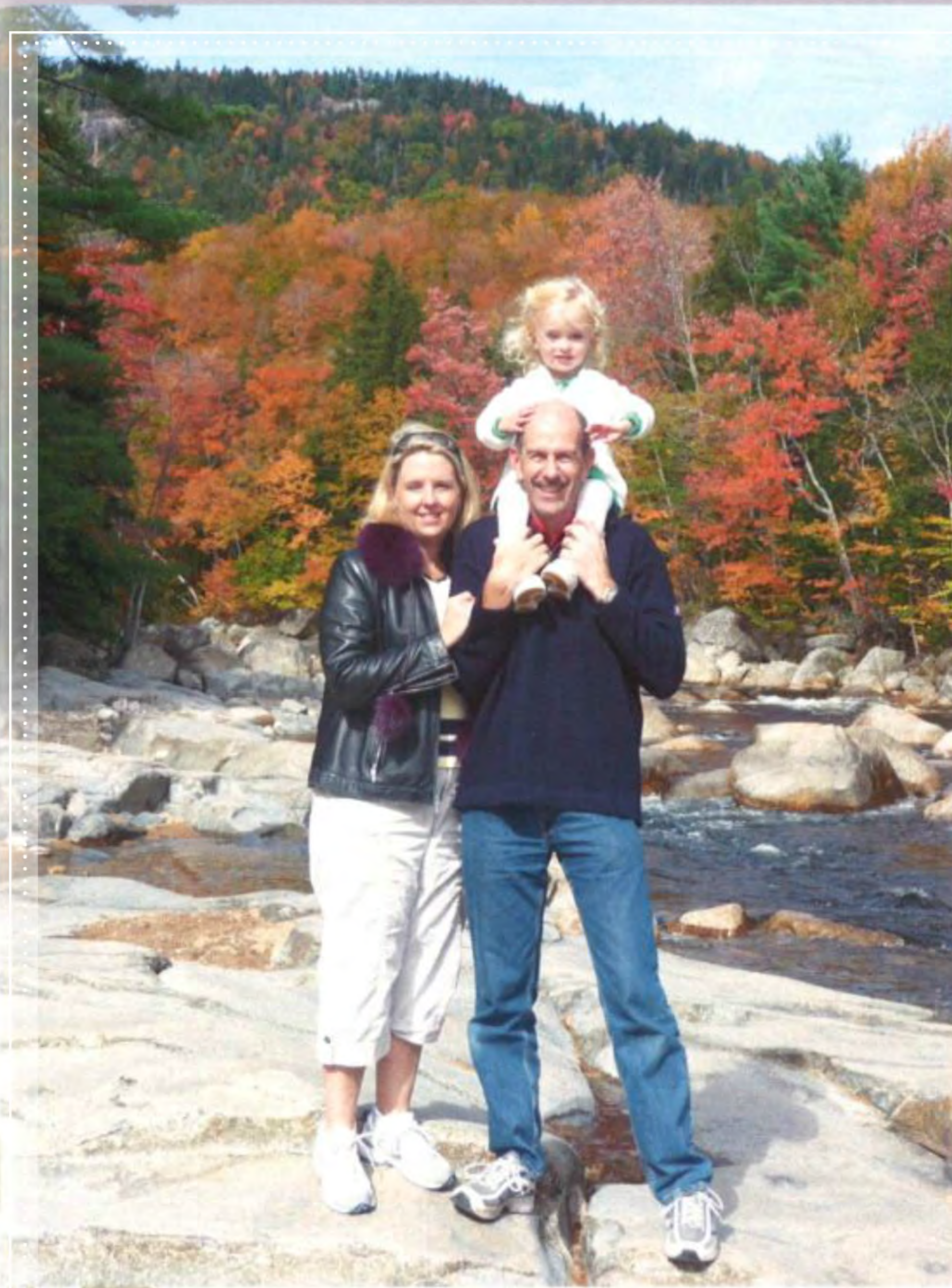


OUR HOME

We live in a warm, sunny and comfy two story 4 bedroom house in central Florida. Our home has plenty of space for a growing family. It is filled with love, and lots of toys, laughs and smiles. We love to entertain and welcome our friends into our home. We want it to be a place where our children's friends will want to come and play. Our peaceful neighborhood is close to our community pool, parks, and bike trails.



Both Sam and Holly have friends that go back to their youth. Our friends have always been a constant support system to us and they cannot wait to welcome a new child into all the fun times we have together!



Enjoying a fall hike up in New Hampshire together as a

Whether it be traveling to Norway or New England to visit our families, or loading up the boat for a day trip we love experiencing new things together!



A family hike in Norway overlooking their beautiful fjords.

One of our biggest passions is traveling!





Our friendly cat- Freya- the other member of our family is so good with children. She is gentle and sweet natured towards people. She will be a great little furry companion for our children!



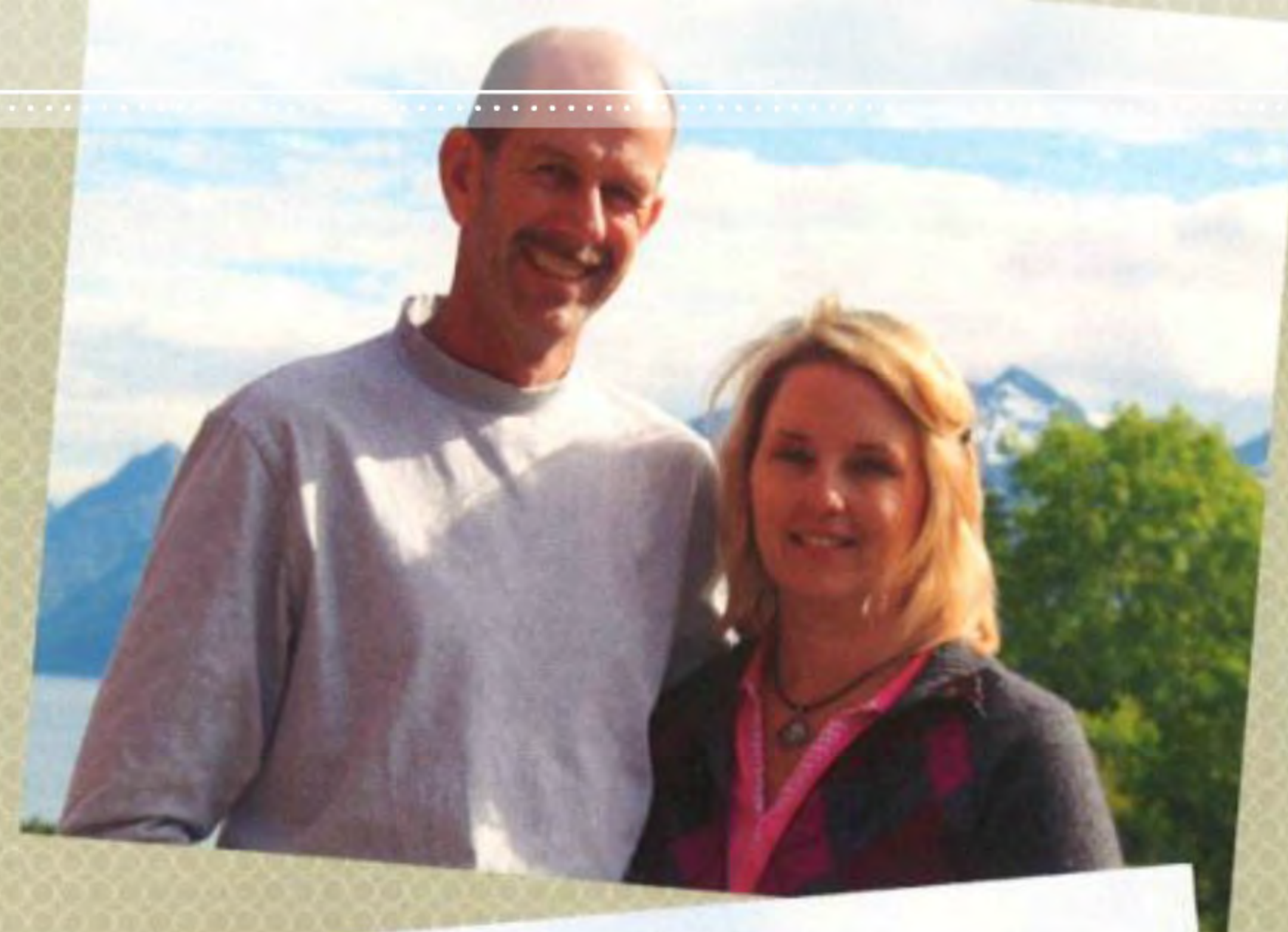
I am so grateful for Hope, she has brought us endless joy and taught us a deeper more selfless kind of love. We love ending the day checking on her and seeing her sweet little face as she sleeps peacefully. One of my favorite things to do with Hope is to rock her and read books. I look forward to the joy of rocking your baby as well.

Our sweet daughter Hope is 3.5 years old. She was born a super premie- at 27 weeks. She was in the hospital 3 months before she came home. She has bloomed into a social butterfly. She has been a delight to have as a daughter and know she will make a great big sister that is loving and helpful!



She loves to laugh and has a tenderheart that breaks when she sees someone hurt or sad. She loves tea parties and playing dress up as well as digging in the dirt and climbing a mountain with us.





We love traveling, but also love being homebodies doing projects around the house or snuggling on the couch with pizza and a movie. We have a little vegetable garden and enjoy tending it and eating the fresh vegetables from it. We enjoy reading, watching old movies, classical music, but most of all the beauty of Gods creation in nature.

THE HOLIDAYS- our home filled with family and friends.





We Thank YOU!

We hope that we have shown you who we are and the journeys we have taken that have brought us to you. But most of all we hope we have shown you how much love we have in our hearts for children and the dedication we have to being parents. Should we be blessed enough to be chosen by you, we can assure you that your child will know their special "birth story" and the incredible amount of unconditional love that you have for your child. They will know all the hopes and dreams that you have for them now and in the future.

We hope and pray to speak to you soon!
May you be blessed with strength, love,
peace, and courage each and day.
Blessings!

Pappa and
Hope rowing
FarFar's boat
on the fjord
outside his
family home
in Norway.



OUR PROMISES TO YOUR CHILD:

- * We promise to always show you unconditional love.
- * We promise to always give an endless supply of hugs and kisses.
- * We promise to start each day thanking God for you being a part of our family and showing how much you are loved.
- * We promise to have a home that will be an example of God's love- one filled with love, grace & mercy.
- * We promise to be there to listen and encourage you as you learn life's lessons.
- * We promise to be there to cheer you on at any game, play, or church or school function.
- * We promise that you will know about the amazing woman and family who has so much love for you and wanted to give you the best life possible.



Thank you so much for taking the time to look at our profile. We hope that you and what kind of parents we will make for your child. We very much respect the difficulty of the choice you are making and want you to know we will honor it with all our hearts.

Holly & Sam

We thank YOU!