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Keith

Charlene

Job Description:

Sr. Test Engineer
for Global Company

Assistant Nurse Manager
for Area Hospital

Education:

AS Manufacturing/Industrial
Working on Bachelor's Degree
in Management IT/
Network Design

AS Nursing

Favorites:

Hobby
Gardening

Hobby
Reading

Holiday
Christmas

Holiday
Christmas

Quality About Spouse
Her Friendship

Quality About Spouse
His Attention to Detail

Ice Cream
Peppermint

Ice Cream
Chocolate Mint

Family Activity
Camping

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Camping

Children:

None

What Takes Priority in Our Lives

Our family and friends mean the most to us and we try to spend as much time with them as we can. We spend many weekends with our family and equally with our friends. These friends are more like family and as a result, we spend a great deal of time with them and their children. We find that sometimes we hang out with the kids more than the adults. The kids expect us to play with them and often, I (Charlene) find myself in time out or trouble with them. (Uncle) Keith's best buddies are a 11 and 8 year old (our friend's boys), they look forward to us sleeping over and playing games with them but mostly Keith playing Xbox with them.

I (Charlene) used to babysit for my girlfriend, when her baby was born premature. I do not know who got more out of that experience-me or her baby. To this day, that little girl will always hold a special place in my heart. We have gone on vacations, camping trips, water parks, cookouts, and holiday dinners/celebrations with our friends and their children. We are referred to as Uncle and Aunt to our friend's children and we take our role very seriously. The years we have spent with our friends and watching their families grow, confirm even more to us, how much we want children and how much love we have to give. We believe God put these wonderful people in our lives to share with us, the joy of children and for us to feel love for children that are not our own.

We always love sharing or playing with our friends children. We want to share our ideas of fun to our children and teach them that no matter what age you are, you can always make the choice to stay young at heart.

What We Will Tell Your Child About Their Adoption

We believe the idea of adopted should be thought of only as a way in which they came to be in their family. We are all God's children and by God's plan your baby and you were brought to us and us to you. Believing that we are all God's children, your child will always be shown how they belong to one family (God's family). Your child is a gift of love and you are allowing us to experience the joy of being parents. We want your child to know that their birthparent/s loved them so much. In this selfless act of love, you chose to have others care for your child in a way that was not possible at this point of your life. We plan on sharing what we know of you to your baby and let them know how extra special they are as they have two mommies/daddies.

Our House and Neighborhood



We built our traditional, open floor plan, three bedroom/two bathroom home in an Ohio suburban type development in a rural area, where you have the best of both worlds, city conveniences with country views. We like the openness of the kitchen connected with the living room allowing one to be able to cook/entertain/watch children while cooking and having an area for people to visit, children play and still feel connected to the activity of the house. Our favorite room is the family room where we spend most of time, watching movies/playing Wii/watching the birds from the bay window that faces our backyard and just hanging out.



Our Home

House & Neighborhood, continued



Our City's Sprinkler Park

We have a backyard with a wooded area and space for a vegetable garden, which we plant every year. We have a brick patio with a pergola and enjoy grilling and having fires in our chimenea that we make smores with; while swinging on our glider on summer/fall evenings. Our yard was landscaped by us and we have spent years planting trees and flowers of all kinds to enjoy the beauty of nature.

We live in a family oriented neighborhood. There are children playing all year long up and down the sidewalks. We have a large pond in the development and it is a nice place to walk and feed the fish. We are in walking distance to the local library and the Middle/High schools. We have sidewalks that are interconnected to all the streets to schools.

We have 2 Parks; one is a sprinkler /playground park that is enjoyed by all in the community. A ten minute drive will take you to bike trails in the woods, and a local YMCA is 30 minutes away, complete with indoor pool, for swim lessons and fun on a winter day. There are local art/craft/ flea markets, fairs and community days with local bands and picnics all Spring/Summer long. It is hard to find the time to enjoy all of this, as there is so much to choose from.

Our Extended Family

Both **Keith's** and my parents live 15-20 minutes from us. We built our home to be near them and for when we had children, so they could be able to visit/babysit often. This is still our hope and dream. Christmas time is our favorite holiday. Keith's and my parents make the day very special for us. We may be adults, but they still shower us with gifts and make us feel like kids ourselves. We all do a gift exchange, watch holiday classic movies or cartoons, have a big holiday meal and end it with our favorite Christmas cookies. Our holidays are a shared day between both families. Living within such short distances, has allowed us a way to balance and share the time equally, which is important to us.

Keith's parents are retired and spend a lot their time gardening, visiting their grandchildren and going to their sports games/meets. We see them for holidays, birthdays, going out to dinner occasionally, weekend craft fairs. For most birthdays we all try to get together and go out to dinner with Keith's parents and his sister and her family. We have gone on camping trips in the summer and vacations with them. Keith's parents always have great summer cookouts around 4th July, Memorial Day. Keith's mom creates such wonderful meals for all of us; you never go home with an empty stomach. We play bocce ball, and yard games to burn off the calories from the good cooking.

Charlene's parents both work still, and retirement is in the near future for her mother, which will allow her more free time to be with her future grandchild. Charlene's sisters Connie and Danielle are looking forward to the day to be called an aunt. Her middle sister, Connie will be getting married this summer, which makes this year an even more exciting time for the family. Her youngest sister has an artistic gift and will be helping us prepare the baby's room, when the time comes. She looks forward to creating a special room for her future niece/nephew. We all are!



Keith's Parents and Nephews



Charlene's Family



Our 10th Anniversary at Disneyland

Our Favorite Vacation Spot

We love Disneyland. We went there for our Honeymoon and also went there for our 10 year Anniversary. We thought we would have had children by then, but when that was not meant to be, we took ourselves again! We try to see as much as we can wherever we go, and usually need a vacation from our vacation. We love the rides and believe this place is not really for kids, but for the adults who have never grown up. The Haunted Mansion, Frontierland, Tower of Terror and EPCOT are some of our favorites. One of the oldest rides that Keith rode on as a child is still there-The Haunted mansion. It is one of our favorites and the part we love the most is when the ghosts ride in the car with you, as if they were really sitting next to you.



Holiday Party



A Fun Train Ride

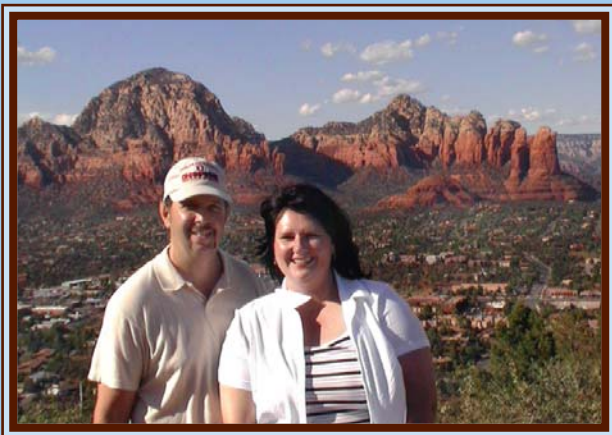


Christmas Together

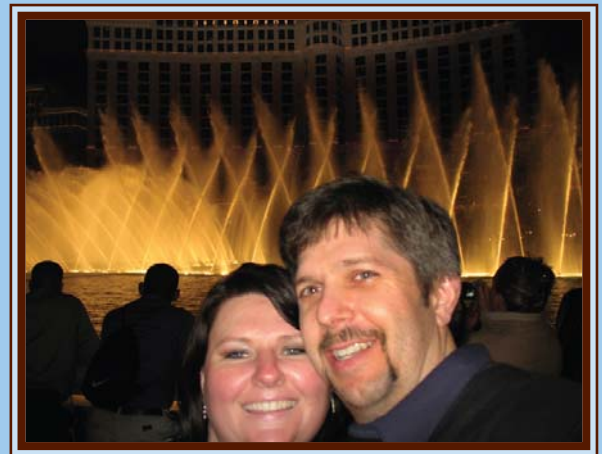
**Keith
&
Charlene**



Hot Air Balloon Ride



Enjoying Sedona Arizona



Vacation in Las Vegas

Dear Birthparent(s),

We want to thank you for taking the time to read our profile. We think you are a very brave, loving and kind-hearted person for considering adoption for your child. We understand that this decision is difficult and can't imagine what you are going through. We hope that this letter gives you the insight and assurance you are looking for in making this hard decision for loving parents and raising your child. We believe all children are a gift from God. We want so much to be given the chance to take care of this gift. By allowing us to have the honor of caring for your child, our hearts and home will finally be complete. We will provide all the love, support and understanding to your child, so they can be a happy, secure and productive person one day. Your child will never know a day that is not surrounded by or given love.

We like to introduce ourselves our names are Charlene and Keith. In our 20 year relationship; 15 of that in marriage has been built on values with a hope of having our own family. We built a home near our parents to provide family closeness and traditions, along with frequent visits from them of course. Unfortunately much to our sadness, we have not become parents so far. After visiting doctors and trying several options like, in vitro, unsuccessfully for many years, we know now that adoption is God's plan for us. We cannot wait for the day that we become parents and can share our love and devotion with a child.

This journey has been a loving desire for both of us for many years, to have a family of our own. We enjoy life and share our love as a couple with family and friends. We look forward to all of the excitement that a child will bring and give them love and guidance for life's long voyage. Our goal as parents is to raise your child according to good morals and values; to be confident; self-sufficient, and to know that their goals are obtainable.

We're excited about becoming parents. We believe that a strong family environment that has good traditions provides a child a solid education and can play a role in positive reinforcement for them. We want to provide these things, so they too can be successful in life. Our dream is to be the perfect role models so that some day they will be ready to become parents as well. It is our intent to be very open and honest with the child whom we are blessed with, to adopt their story, so they will understand and be comfortable discussing it when they want too. We will tell the child how much you loved them and that the decision you made was a very difficult one.

We cannot nor will never know the love and strength, you must have, to give your child a chance at a better life, by choosing someone else to care and love them as you want to. We can assure you that your child will know what love, happiness, and security is and never want for anything. We know the loss of wanting to be parents but not having a child, and can try to relate to the pain that is in your heart as you make this most selfless choice and putting your needs of wanting to be a parent, ahead of what is best for your child.

Our hearts hurt and ache for different reasons, but in the end the common bond we share will be the gift of your child to us and for you to know your gift will be cherished and protected, always. Thank you for taking the time to consider us and this challenging choice of adoption. May God give you strength in whatever decision you choose and know we wish you all the best on your journey in life.

Keith and Charlene

