

ERICA & DEREK



Hi,

We're the Nolands! We met at work in early 2019 and have been married for a year and a half now. Located in central Ohio, we pride ourselves on being incredibly hardworking, fun, and easygoing people. We both have a great sense of humor, and laughter often fills our home. Derek works for the United Parcel Service, and I am a training coordinator for a local restaurant corporation. Shortly after getting together, we found that we both have a huge passion for fitness. While Derek is an avid power lifter and strength trainer, Erica loves running and CrossFit. Whether we are hiking outside in nature or lifting weights in the garage, it is something that has not only connected our families but also strengthened us as a couple. (no pun intended) We are currently raising Derek's 13-year-old son, Breylan. He is very energetic and intelligent. His specialty is baseball, but he will play just about any sport with a ball. Most days of the week, you can find us all at one of his practices or activities. We love being his biggest cheerleaders and are often the loudest parents in the bleachers. We have always wanted a large family and to give Breylan a sibling(s), but we have struggled with infertility for a long time. As a family, we decided adoption was the best choice for all of us. We have so much love to offer, and in our hearts, we know our family is not yet complete





/ Erica /

/ Derek /

Originally born and raised in Northwest Pennsylvania, I am a die-hard Steelers fan. I'm a very creative and artistic person. Some of my hobbies include drawing, arts and crafts, music, books, and movies (especially Disney movies). I like to cook, but baking is my specialty. My mom, my sister, and I are all very close. My sister has 5-year-old twin girls, and I absolutely love being their Auntie! Kalahni does karate, and Gianna loves her dance classes. We plan lots of family outings to the zoo, pumpkin patches, museums, and amusement parks. But sometimes we just like to hang out playing board games, movie nights, campfires, and s'mores in the backyard.

Born and raised in central Ohio, I am the youngest of my siblings, and I have two older brothers. Both of my brothers have several children of their own, and I am an uncle to eleven beautiful kids. In a house full of boys, we grew up playing lots of sports, which is now being passed on to my own son, Breylan. He just celebrated his 13th birthday and has been playing baseball since his t-ball days, this year he was also involved in football and basketball. Some of my favorite hobbies are going to the gym and cars. I love loud motors and old-fashioned American muscle, and dream of one day owning a nice collection of my own.





Say hello to our fur babies

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We have always been a very pet friendly home. We have had everything from peacocks, snakes, rats, bunnies, hamsters, fish, parrots, cats, and so on! Right now we have two dogs. Chico is 15. He is a mama's boy and follows Erica everywhere she goes. Linsey is 14, and she is best friends with anyone with food. As old as they are, they are still very energetic and love to go on lots of walks and trips to the park. They are incredibly sweet and love snuggling and getting lots of cuddles!



Thanks

We want to thank you for taking the time to get to know us, and send you our deepest gratitude for even considering us. If given the gift of caring for your child, we promise always to love them unconditionally and to ensure they have access to the best medical care and education. Striving to give them every opportunity and nurture and guide them into becoming the best versions of themselves. If you decide you want to stay connected, we would love to support you in whatever decision makes you comfortable. We will continue to appreciate your strength and bravery. We want you to know that we already love your child so much, we just haven't met them yet.

/ Home /

We were both brought up in Christian-based families and try to attend services regularly. We come from a large and blended family, and as such, try to be as sensitive and open-minded to new cultures, religions, and experiences as we can. We love celebrating the holidays together and do so in high fashion! Our large family is our biggest support system, and they are excited to join us as we welcome a new member to our family.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONNECTING WITH YOU

If you have any questions for us or would like to speak with us about adopting your child, please contact your case worker at Open Arms Adoptions by calling 330-697-4751 or 614-349-1510.

