

# *Bobbi and Nick*





# HELLO!

First and foremost, we want to share that we are praying for you and that you are loved unconditionally. We want the best for you and your baby and we appreciate the time you are taking to learn about us. We want you to know our hearts and home are open to all those God places in our paths, and we hope the following pages convey that to you. We don't share this with you for credit or recognition, but to assure you that adoption is something we truly feel called to. We hope you are filled with peace in the coming days and weeks and are relieved of stress and worry. We pray you feel loved and supported throughout this journey. You will continue to be in our prayers for years to come, no matter the outcome of your decision. God bless you!

With love,

*Bobbi and Nick*



## *How Our Story Began*

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Nick and I met over winter break while in college. I was staying with my best friend, who happened to be dating Nick's brother. The four of us spent two weeks together hanging out during the break. When the spring semester started, we continued to spend time together and officially started dating shortly afterward.

On the Fourth of July 2015, we spent the entire day outside and on the lake. That evening, we were on a dinner cruise waiting for the fireworks to start. The boat was quite busy with people laughing and music playing. When the fireworks began, I pointed at them, telling Nick the show was beginning, only to look down and find him on one knee with the entirety of the boat passengers watching. Due to the complete shock of what was happening, I eventually stammered out a loving "yes," and the night ended with watching the rest of the fireworks.

Our wedding was held near my hometown. Our brothers and sisters stood in as our wedding party, and our nieces and nephews each played a role in the ceremony, as well. Afterward, our reception was held in a lodge-style building overlooking a golf course. We played yard games outside and then came in for dinner and dancing. We, along with our guests, stayed at a nearby resort in cabins on the lake. After the reception, we enjoyed a wonderful evening at a bonfire with our family and friends.





# Meet Bobbi

BY NICK

Bobbi has a huge heart and has more love to give than I knew was possible. She has the sweetest personality but is also very strong-willed. She is brilliant, and I rely on her input in every decision I make. She is highly driven and passionate about everything important to her. She is also goofy, fun, and likes to sing. Bobbi is a morning person and has a lot of energy. She is a go-getter and knows how to get things done. She likes to be home, and her primary focus in life is her family. Her organization and planning skills are superior to anyone I have ever met. She is forgiving, never holds a grudge, and wears her heart on her sleeve. Always active, she makes sure we both stay healthy.

Children are naturally drawn to Bobbi. She is an excellent communicator with children of all ages. She has the ability to make each child feel important. She is always caring, loving, and kind and children feel safe and secure with her. She displays her Christian faith in everything she does and is a wonderful example to the children she encounters.



Bobbi enjoys outdoor activities, as well as cooking and baking. Growing up in a rural area, she learned to hunt and fish as a child. She continues to do so when visiting her parents' home. Her parents' home is nestled between two lakes, and she enjoys kayaking early in the morning when visiting.

Bobbi is an avid gardener and grows multiple plants, flowers, and vegetables. She is an amazing cook and baker. She often bakes treats she sees on her favorites cooking shows.

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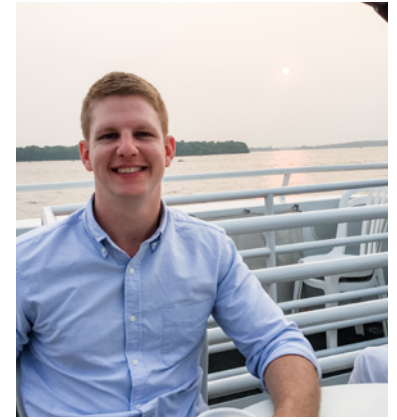
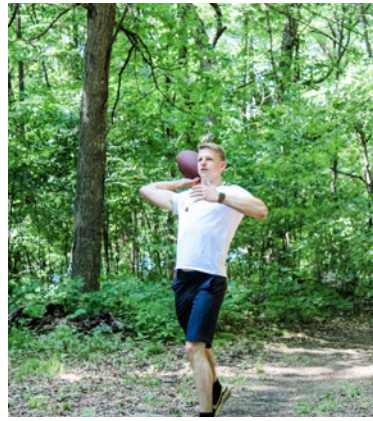
*“Bobbi prays often, is slow to anger, quick to forgive, and is always loving with a natural tendency to care for others selflessly.”*

Nick likes sports. He played a wide variety growing up, such as soccer, football, basketball, and baseball. He continues this passion as an adult by spending time working out each day and always being up for a pick-up game or playing catch. He also enjoys frisbee golf with his brothers and friends. It's a great way of getting outside and staying active while also exploring new areas.

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*“Nick was saved from childhood cancer for a reason. He is such a special person, and I know he is going to be such a special father because of it.”*





# MEET NICK

*by Bobbi*

Nick has a huge heart. He is dependable and selfless—always putting others before himself. He is often sought out for advice because he is wise, non-judgemental, and desires the best for everyone. Nick is also super fun! He keeps a football in his car in hopes of getting a group together to play catch at family gatherings.

I admire his respect for his parents and his intense love for his family and friends. We balance one another out. He is a night owl, and I'm an early bird, and he is super laid back when I am a planner. Nick is clumsy and notorious for spilling things and losing track of his keys. I always know I am important to him because he ends each day by kissing me, telling me he loves me, and praying God's blessings over me.

When it comes to children, Nick is the fun uncle. He enjoys playing sports with our older nephews and hanging out on the couch with our younger nieces. Because of Nick's love for children, he was asked to fulfill the role of godfather for four beautiful kiddos. He prays for them daily and works hard to set a good example for them.





## — HOME *Sweet* HOME —

Our home has three bedrooms and two bathrooms and is in an established suburban neighborhood. The mature trees and landscaping give us the feeling of living in a rural setting. Our home sits on a large lot, and there are no homes directly behind us. Half of our backyard is fenced, while the other half is open. This allows us enough room to have a vegetable garden and room to play all at the same time. We also recently added on a large deck and covered porch where we enjoy grilling out and hosting family and friends. We bought our home as a bit of a fixer-upper, as we knew the open concept would be perfect for growing our family. Over the past few years, we have completely gutted and updated most of the house. We now have a comfortable and functional home that reflects our personalities.

We live in a beautifully diverse community. Our neighbors come from all walks of life and represent a variety of cultures. There are many children in our neighborhood riding bikes or scooters during the evenings after school. The large community park has hiking trails, a playground, and an archery range. We are also blessed to live within a great school district that provides many learning opportunities and extracurricular activities. You can also find splash pads, waterparks, amusement parks, horse racing, and a zoo near our home. There are lots of things to do and get involved in around our area.

# *In Our Name We:*

Always put God first

Open the door to welcome those in need

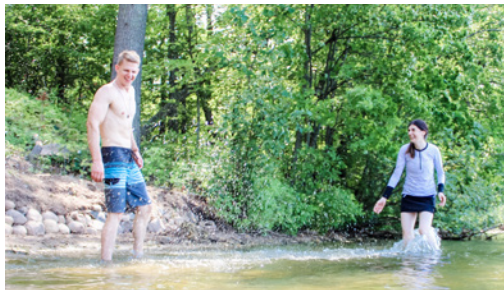
Eat chicken like it's going out of style

Only cheer for the Vikings

Never go to bed angry



# THIS AND THAT



*Nick*

FAVES

*Bobbi*

Hershey's Almond Bars

Football

*Lord of the Rings*

Fall

Evening

Green

Classical

Batman

Cloudy/storm

Dog

Dessert

Sport

Movie

Season

Time of Day

Color

Music Genre

Superhero

Weather

Animal

Cookies

Football

*Up!*

Fall

Morning

Purple

Country

Batman

Sunny and 70

Puppy

# WHY ARE WE ADOPTING?

We knew while dating that there was a high probability that we would struggle with infertility after marriage. When Nick was a young child, he suffered from cancer and had to undergo extensive chemotherapy and radiation treatments. These treatments did affect his fertility. This, however, never took away our desire and calling to be parents. In our wedding vows, we stated that “We were prepared to accept children lovingly from God and to bring them up according to the law of Christ and His Church.” We firmly stand behind this statement and have every intention to do so as we look to welcome a child into our family.



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# Our Families

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My family is an excellent balance to Nick's large family. My younger sister recently moved out, so my parents are newly empty nesters who could not be more excited to become grandparents. They live on a lake just a couple miles outside of a picture-perfect small town. Weekends in the summer include a lot of swimming, boating, and trips into town to get ice cream.

Nick has 6 siblings and 14 nieces and nephews. Nick's family likes to get the entire group together at least once every other month. These gatherings usually consist of more food than we can eat and lots of laughter and fun. We are close with Nick's younger brothers and their families. One of his brothers married my best friend, so we are extremely close to them and their children. We also spend almost every weekend with Nick's youngest brother, who is engaged. He often helps with our projects and we enjoy double dates with him and his fiancé.





## *Fun Times Together*

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We spend as much time as possible with our extended families during the holidays. Because our parents live a few hours apart, some holidays span a few days of celebration. We spend Christmas Eve with my side of the family. We go out together to look at lights in the evening and come home to a warm and cozy meal. When we wake up on Christmas morning, we open our presents and have a big brunch. Afterward, we travel to Nick's side of the family, where his siblings and their children get together in the late afternoon. It is one loud and crazy kind of get-together that is oh so fun! The adults usually end the night with a game of Catch Phrase while the kids play with their new toys together. We then rotate some of the other holidays throughout the year. Some summer holidays are spent at the lake, while others are with the whole group of Nick's family. We are blessed to make memories with all our family members. We look forward to creating our own unique traditions with our child.

# GOALS AND PLANS

We will raise our children following the teachings of our faith.

Nick recently completed his mechanical engineering degree and is in the process of obtaining his engineering license. His goal is to reach a leadership position role. I am looking forward to being a stay-at-home mom.

We will choose the best educational experience based on our child's needs. We fully support whichever path our children choose to take after high school, whether it's going to college, learning a trade, or taking time to decide.



# WHAT OTHERS SAY

“Bobbi and Nick are very generous. In a time of need, they opened their home to my family, and we were able to get an up-close look at their personal lives for almost a full year. What we saw was two people who love each other and their family very much. I am confident Bobbi and Nick will be wonderful parents.” - Shannon (sister-in-law/my best friend)

“Nick and Bobbi have always treated my boys like their own. They have attended all birthday and holiday celebrations. The amount of love and generosity Bobbi and Nick have for my boys proves how fit and deserving they are to have a child of their own. My family and I are extremely blessed to have such loving, kind, and trustworthy people as friends and role-models for our children.” - Courtney (family friend)









## A FEW LAST THINGS

We once again thank you for taking the time to learn about us and our lives. We are praying for you, your baby, and your upcoming decisions daily. We pray you are covered with love throughout this journey and find more support than you ever thought possible. Should you decide we may be a good fit for your child, we wanted to share some promises with you before you go:

1. We promise to always tell them how much you love and care for them.
2. We promise to tuck them in each night with a kiss on the forehead and an “I Love You, God Bless You.”
3. We promise to teach them of God’s love for them and make sure they know how special they are.
4. We promise to have fun and to fill their life with laughter and smiles.

