





Hello,

We are Jason and Erin. We appreciate your time as we tell you a little bit about our lives.

We both have always wanted to become parents, to experience the joy of parenthood, and provide a loving and supportive environment to a child. When talking about having children, one of the options we considered was adoption.

Unfortunately, we are not able to have our own children, due to Erin's reproductive issues, and we are a (teensy) bit older—so adoption offers a really amazing opportunity for us to experience parenthood.

We do believe in open adoption partly because Jason's mother, who was adopted, had a closed adoption and Jason experienced firsthand the toll it took on her throughout her life. We understand it is important for a child to know their history and know about all the people who love them. Just having this information can help shape their lives in significant ways as they grow.

In thinking of your upcoming decision, we cannot begin to imagine how difficult it will be. If chosen, please know that your child will always know how much you love them and how brave you were to make this decision.

We hope this profile will give you some insight into our lives and the type of life we can offer a child. Please know that we would be honored to be chosen to offer a home for your child. We cannot wait to welcome a little one into our home and hearts—and we look forward to the journey ahead.

Thank you for taking your time to get to know us!

With you in our hearts,

Jason and Erin



Jason is originally from Nebraska. Growing up he developed a love of reading, history, academics, science fiction, dogs, and pizza. He looks forward to passing these interests on to a child, especially a love of pizza...LOL.

He graduated college in 2004 from the University of Nebraska with a History and Political Science degree. That's when he started working at a pizza place and developed what has become a life long love of pizza.

In 2009, he moved to southeastern South Dakota . He needed a change, as he really didn't know where he was going with life, and decided a new city would help. Eventually, he returned to school and ended up getting an Information Technology degree. He has since moved up to an Engineer position in his industry.

After several years of saving, Jason bought his first home in 2016 and was able to meet the first lady in his life-his Corgi, Maeve. He looks forward to providing a child some of the same opportunities he had growing up, so they can learn about themselves and figure out what they love, even if its not pizza...LOL.



Jason with Maeve at a festival



Jason with our nephew



Jason at a Battle Bots match



Jason working on our Christmas inflatables display



Through her educational experience and professional life, Erin has become a South Dakota girl. Erin has Masters Degrees in Theatre and Business. She currently works in the healthcare industry training new administrative staff.

Erin loves learning and she also loves theatre, watching—directing—acting, you name it! She is passionate about singing and is planning to get back into this world after some time away due to school. Erin loves spending time with close friends and family and forging connections. She loves to help others and also has a serving personality.

The importance to giving back/helping others, exploring ones' passions, and learning new things everyday are things that that Erin would like to instill in her children.



Erin at Wicked in Denver



Erin in a local theatre production



Erin and Jason with their nephew



Selfie after voting



A pile of puppies!

## Jason & Erin

Jason and Erin met online in 2016 and started dating in 2017. They got engaged in 2019 and got married in 2020 during COVID. Although the event was not originally what they imagined for their wedding, it ended up being a perfect, small affair with family and friends. They moved into their current house four years ago and continue to make their house a home with love, laughter, and a little bit of dog hair.

In their spare time they enjoy connecting with friends, exploring their local surroundings, and going on interesting adventures together- whether seeing a new play or visiting a new place. They continue to explore and ingrain themselves in their local community.

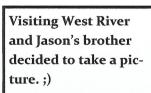
Although currently only pet parents to three precocious dogs; in their everyday lives they are always on the lookout for ways that they can create an environment where a child can thrive and grow, where they can expand their horizons, and be their true selves.



Waiting for the Sioux Fall's Christmas Parade.



Our COVID wedding in masks. "Handfasting" with plastic chains (Jason's joke).







An engagement photo



Our home. Sam and Wilson waiting in the window to welcome everyone in.

## Our Fur-babies

Say hello to our fur-babies! They've nuzzled their way into our lives and made our world so much richer. They each love to go on walks, chew bones, and chase the ball outside. Maeve, our queen bee, Wilson, our gentle soul, and Samwise the newest member of our pack.

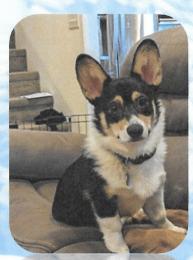
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## Family & Friends

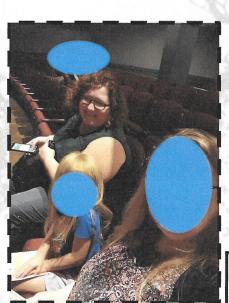
Although they don't all live close to Jason and Erin, their family and friends are an important part of their lives. Whether visiting family or having their family visit the area, each memory they make holds a special place in their hearts. When they think of their relationships with family and friends they seek to make genuine and lasting relationships that span decades. Jason and Erin are always willing to be there and support others in their times of triumph, sadness, or any time where a friendly face is needed. Jason and Erin are very fortunate that their family and friends are very supportive of their decision to adopt.



Jason and his siblings



Erin's family during Christmas



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Jason and one of his brothers

Erin with her friend and her daughter at a play.



Erin's parents and Wilson