



Hello!

We're Loren & Chrissie



First off, thank you for choosing adoption, which is an incredible act of love. **This is something we understand intimately because Chrissie herself is adopted.** We appreciate the tremendous selflessness it takes to make such a courageous decision and we deeply admire the strength it took you to consider an open adoption.

Chrissie's own adoption story is what inspired us to begin our family in this way. From the moment we fell in love, we knew we wanted children some day, and that adoption would be the path for us. Chrissie's mom & dad were always open about their adoption journey and we plan to follow their lead... Coming full circle, we are thrilled to be in the unique position of working with the very same adoption attorney who connected Chrissie to her parents over thirty years ago.



About Us

We're an outgoing, adventurous, and family-oriented couple in our early 30's. We met through mutual friends and quickly fell in love. **After nine years of dating, we officially tied the knot in 2015.** We share a passion for science fiction and fantasy, travel, and experiencing new things. As parents, we're excited to share our love for Star Wars, Harry Potter and Pixar animated films. **We live in sunny California with our dog Norbert,** who is obsessed with watching the backyard squirrels. Our furry companion is active, friendly, and adores kids.

We recently bought a four bedroom home at the foot of a snow-capped mountain. The trees in our fenced-in yard provide us with fruit for Loren's baking and invite birds and other wildlife to come visit. With family only ten minutes away, we love being able to host impromptu dinners and game nights. Norbert especially enjoys when all our nieces & nephews run around and play with him.

What Matters To Us

Family



Travel



Learning



Norbert Named for Hagrid's dragon in Harry Potter | **Mexico** Visiting one of the 7 wonders of the world in 2019 | **Disneyland** Geeking out at Galaxy's Edge in 2019 | **Scotland** Stealing smooches in 2017





Meet Chrissie

When my parents adopted me, I feel like the stars aligned. They are both educators, and I was pretty much raised on university campuses. My childhood is full of happy memories visiting the bookstore, volunteering in classrooms, and cheering on student athletes. **I graduated from Cal Poly Pomona in 2008 with my bachelor's in fashion merchandising.** One of the things I loved about my program was the ability to study business and marketing while also learning about fashion history and trends.

I work from home as the Vice President of Ecommerce for a luxury skincare brand. My flexible schedule allows us to take advantage of our Disneyland annual passes; we're at the Magic Kingdom as often as we can be. I'm fortunate that my parents are only an hour away - Loren and I love to go visit their beach house and cannot wait to take our little one to build sand castles, skip through the surf, and investigate tide pools.

I have a passion for travel and am an ardent reader. I am excited to share my love of history and literature with my future child. **Loren and I are both life-long learners, who value independent education.** It is important to us that our child be exposed to other cultures and visit historical sites all around the globe. So far, we've traveled to 23 countries; we look forward to re-visiting some of our favorites and exploring new destinations with our future child.

Rome Vacationing with my parents in 2014 | **Wizarding World**
Sharing a love of Harry Potter with my niece in 2018 | **Bahamas** Me
and Loren kissing a stingray in 2011 | **Disneyland** Our first trip to the
Magic Kingdom together in 2006



Jemison Family Our family photo at our wedding in 2015 | **Baking** My niece helping me make Blueberry Cobbler | **Jiu Jitsu** Receiving my blue belt in 2018 | **Silly Photos** Me and my nieces playing with filters



Meet Loren

Since I was young, I always knew I wanted to be a dad. I come from a large, close-knit family. As the youngest of four, I've always dreamt of passing along family traditions and re-living the best moments from my happy childhood with a little one. Even now, one of my favorite places to be is in the kitchen with my mom, learning how to bake our secret family recipes. I can't wait to show our future child how to make peach cobbler, plum pie, and our famed bread rolls.

Next to family, technology and innovation are my other passions. **I'm fortunate to have a work-from-home job as a software trainer.** I am happiest in a position where I can still interact with others, so being a teacher is truly the best of both worlds. **My job's flexibility is important to us because it helps us maintain family as a priority.** I can attend our nieces' and nephews' games and performances, and, if needed, even pick them up from school.

I live an active lifestyle and can't wait to share my love of jiu jitsu and rock climbing as a father. In my spare time, I also enjoy dancing and making up silly songs about Windu. **Chrissie and I are always willing to try something new.** As parents, it's important to us to inspire our future child to be curious and open minded. We look forward to exposing our son or daughter to different sports, arts, and hobbies and seeing where their passion lies.

Norway With Chrissie's parents in 2017 | **Chicago** Thanksgiving with our family in 2018 | **New Orleans** Jemison family trip in 2019 | **Disneyland** With our nieces and nephews in 2019



About Our Family

The family your baby will be joining is expansive and full of love. We maintain unique relationships with all nine of our nieces & nephews and enjoy playing active roles in their lives. Chrissie gifts every child their first Harry Potter book at age 11 and loves to go with them to buy their first wand. Loren loves spending time with the kids playing board games, taking silly Snapchat photos, and guest starring in their TikTok videos. **We jump at the opportunity to share our love of travel with our family and have enjoyed many vacations together** to distant lands all around the world.

Although we are close-knit, we also believe in “the more the merrier” and have opened our hearts to people from all walks of life. **Our family is multi-racial and accepting of different religions and cultures.** In addition to our local family, Loren also has family in Chicago; at least once a year, we travel there for Thanksgiving and the occasional holiday or reunion. **Our future child will have built-in friends near and far and everyone is excited to meet the newest addition to the family.**



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