



Julien *and* Keegan

**From loving hearts  
to loving hearts.**

**From open arms  
*to open arms.***



HELLO,  
*it's so nice to meet you!*





Thank you for taking a moment to get to know us. We're grateful for the opportunity to introduce ourselves and want to start by acknowledging the immense courage behind the decision you're considering. We can only imagine the emotions you're experiencing, and we deeply admire your strength during this time.

***If you decide we are the right fit, please know that raising your child would be the greatest gift and privilege of our lives. We are committed to providing a home that is filled with love, warmth, and security a place where your child will feel safe, valued, and supported as they grow.***

We understand how important this decision is, and we want you to know that we are here to support you in any way we can. Should you choose to move forward with us, we promise to respect your wishes and keep you updated on your child's life and progress, promising you feel connected and reassured.

Thank you again for considering us as potential parents for your child. We hope that as you learn more about us, you feel at ease and confident in whichever path you choose.

**We are deeply grateful for your time and for considering us to be part of your child's life.**

**-Julien and Keegan**





# becoming *us*

We met on a dating app in 2015, and from the very beginning, we knew we had found something special. As we spent more time together, we discovered our shared love for travel and adventure, which led us to explore multiple countries and states across the U.S. Fast forward to our sixth anniversary, Keegan proposed to Julien at Duck Lake in the Eastern Sierra Mountains, just outside of Mammoth Lakes, CA. This was the location of our first trip together,

where Julien introduced Keegan to the great outdoors. Now, it's an annual getaway we look forward to.

**In 2022, we celebrated our love in a beautiful ceremony a few miles from our home in Long Beach, CA. surrounded by over 150 of our closest friends and family. It was a magical day filled with love, laughter, and joy, marking the beginning of our lifelong journey as a married couple.**





# our heart for *adoption*

Growing up in large families—Julien as one of five and Keegan as one of four—instilled in both of us a deep desire to create a family of our own.

*When we first met, one of the very first questions we asked each other was, "Do you want a family?" Without hesitation, we both answered with a resounding "Yes!" and discovered that our reasons for wanting a family were nearly identical.*

We are drawn to the compassion, energy, and love that grow within a family, and those values have guided us on this journey. We promise to provide your child with all the love, compassion, and support that we can offer.

## OPEN ADOPTION

If you wish, we will keep in touch and always respect your role in their life, believing that open and honest communication is key to any healthy relationship. We see this journey as a way to bring our families together, growing by more than just one child, because there is always enough love for more.





# getting to know *Keegan*



*Home projects*

*Playing & watching  
sports like soccer,  
basketball, baseball  
& pickleball*

*Hosting family &  
friends at our house*

*Visiting new cities &  
countries*

*Finding new  
coffee shops*

*Keegan enjoys*

## AS TOLD BY JULIEN

If I had to describe Keegan in one word, it would be love. I feel so fortunate to know that he loves me unconditionally. His warm, kind, and loving personality is contagious to everyone around him—family, friends, and even strangers. **Keegan has a way of making everyone feel at ease, always focusing on the positive in people and situations.**





Keegan is driven, intelligent, and goal-oriented. Once he sets a goal, he works hard and is unwavering in his commitment to achieve it. I'm amazed by his determination and the success he earns through his hard work.

One of my favorite things is watching him play with our nieces, nephews, and friends' kids. He knows exactly how to make them laugh and feel happy. Seeing him interact with the children in our lives, I have no doubt that he will be the most amazing dad.



*Keegan is*  
**warm, kind**  
**and loving.**



# getting to know *Julien*

## AS TOLD BY KEEGAN

After 9 years together, I still feel incredibly fortunate to call Julien my husband. His unwavering support and unconditional love not only uplift me but extend to our family, friends, and even the strangers we encounter along the way. Every day, I am amazed by his compassion and kindness.

**Julien is the rock I can always rely on**  
**dependable, trustworthy, and always**  
**knows exactly what to say during**  
**moments of stress or uncertainty.**



*Julien  
enjoys*

**Exploring & hiking  
in National Parks  
(15 and counting!)**

**Skiing &  
snowboarding**

**Surfing**

**Walks to the  
beach with our  
dog, Sherman**

**Biking around  
Long Beach**







Julien is the most incredible uncle to our nieces and nephews. I really love how he sends them cards with stickers (because who doesn't love stickers?!) for every holiday and birthday, adding a special touch that brings joy to their lives.

**I still can't believe I get to call him mine. I'm beyond excited to watch him step into his next role as an incredible dad!**

*Julien is*  
**dependable and  
trustworthy.**





# welcome *to our home*

Over the past nine years, we've lovingly transformed our 1946 classic California ranch-style house through three separate renovations, making it truly our own. Our backyard is the perfect size for our dog, Sherman, to play and for hosting gatherings with friends and family – we love playing cornhole together!





Our home backs up to a large greenspace filled with beautiful native plants and offers lots of room for the neighborhood to come together. **Over the years, we've built lasting friendships with our neighbors on the Greenbelt, creating a strong sense of community.**



**We are excited for our future child to grow up in such a welcoming and diverse neighborhood.**



*meet* **SHERMAN!**





## Keegan rescued Sherman on Valentine's Day in 2015.

Shortly afterward, Keegan met Julien, and they have been co-parenting Sherman ever since. Rescued at two, Sherman's breed remains a mystery, but his charm is unmistakable. **Affectionately known as the "Mayor of Greenbelt,"** he's adored throughout the neighborhood for his friendly and sensitive nature. A lover of leisure, he can often be found lounging on the couch or soaking up the sun on the deck, though he's also a vigilant guardian against squirrels eyeing our peaches!



**Sherman thrives on social interactions, equally at ease with other dogs and toddlers, bringing joy wherever he goes!**



# we love our *community*

We cherish our large group of friends in Long Beach, who we've known for nearly a decade. Many of our friends have started their own families, and we love joining their children's celebrations. We look forward to our own child participating soon. Our gatherings—dinners and backyard hangouts—offer relaxation and a safe space for kids to play. We're grateful for friends who embody diversity and generosity and are sure to be a positive influence on our child.





# ten fun *facts*

**1 / Julien's family is primarily based in France, and we love visiting them whenever possible, especially for family celebrations and holidays.**

**2 / Keegan's dad was born and raised in England before moving to the U.S. at the age of 15. Because of this, we have family in and around London, and it's always a special occasion when we get to visit them.**

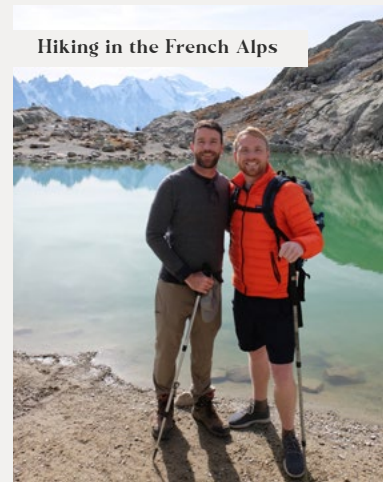
**3 / Julien's half-sister lives in Denmark, and we had the pleasure of visiting her this past July and to explore Copenhagen.**

**4 / Together, we've explored 17 states and 12 countries so far, and we're always eager for the next adventure!**

**5 / Julien is fluent in French, and Keegan is making great progress learning the language, working to keep up with his husband.**



Julien playing soccer with Keegan's two nephews



Hiking in the French Alps





Visiting Julien's half-sister in Copenhagen

**6 / Julien started skiing at the age of 3, and as a teenager, he took on the challenge of teaching himself how to snowboard.**



Hiking with sister-in-law and nephews in Nashville

**7 / Julien taught Keegan how to snowboard and ski. And 9 years later, we've traveled together to ski at various mountains in California, Colorado, Utah, and the French Alps.**

**8 / Keegan has played soccer since age 3. His talent led him to receive a Division I soccer scholarship to a university in North Carolina, where he played throughout his college years.**



**9 / At the age of 21, Julien taught himself how to surf, which has become another favorite pastime.**

**10 / One of our greatest hiking achievements was climbing Mount Whitney - the tallest peak in the lower 48 states - in a single day, joined by two of our friends from Long Beach.**



**ten fun** *facts*





Christmas in Chamonix, France with Julien's family



# our families

Julien comes from a close-knit family with two younger brothers, Olivier and Christophe, a younger sister, Armelle, and his father, Charles. He also has an older half-sister, Camilla, who was raised in Denmark and visited the family during the summers, creating cherished memories. Though we deeply miss Julien's mother, Helene, who passed away a few years ago, we know she would have been overjoyed to welcome an adopted child into the family. Julien also has relatives that live an hour away; a cousin Devon, his wife Leslie and their 3 kids, and Devon's mother Maiedell. We often spend Thanksgivings with them, and they always come to our Easter brunch.



*fun fact*

**Julien's father and siblings all live in France, and we visit them every year. We're incredibly excited to one day bring our future child to France to meet this wonderful extended family!**





Keegan's family includes his older brother Kevin, older sister Kaili, and younger brother Kyler, along with their parents, Kevin and Susan. Kevin, his brother, lives in Nashville, TN, with his wife Devin and their lively sons, Barrett (8 years old) and Finley (4 years old). We love visiting them to play sports and do family activities together. Kaili and Kyler reside in Dallas, TX, with their parents. During holidays, if we don't visit Dallas, his family visits us in Long Beach, where we all enjoy beach days together.



**Love makes a family.**



Keegan's family visiting Long Beach





Amsterdam, Netherlands



Grand Ocean Road, Australia

# seeing the world

In our first year together, we discovered our shared joy for travel, starting with national parks and an international trip to Germany. Our adventures have since taken us around the world, often visiting family in France and England. We make annual trips to France, where we like to explore a new European country each time.

*Traveling to visit National Parks or discover new cities always brings us a new perspective on people and life, offering us time to reset and open our minds to new experiences. Looking ahead, we're excited to share this love of exploring nature and travel with our future child.*





Travel is a powerful way to learn  
*and grow.*





# our promises to you

**We promise to love** your child with all our hearts and provide a safe, stable, and nurturing home where they can grow into the wonderful person they are meant to be.

If you wish, **we promise to keep in touch** and always respect your role in their life, believing that open and honest communication is key to any healthy relationship.

**We promise to raise** your child with compassion, empathy, and deep respect for their unique identity and cultural heritage.

**We promise to nurture** a love of learning, foster a spirit of adventure, and instill strong values that will guide them throughout their life.

**We promise too always be grateful** for the precious gift you have given us and the joy your child will bring into our lives.

**We look forward to what the future may hold, and promise to be here with you every step of the way.**

**-Keegan and Julien**





*Thank you!*

