# TIFFANY AND GARY







## HI THERE!

WE'RE

## TIFFANY AND GARY

We've been happily married for five years and are the proud parents of our daughter, Emerson, who joined our family through adoption as an infant. She's almost three now and the absolute center of our world.





Adoption holds a special place in our hearts, and we're thrilled about the prospect of expanding our family.

We believe in an open adoption, ensuring your child maintains a strong connection to you while promising them a loving, faithfilled home where they can grow, learn and flourish. We are so grateful for the opportunity to share our story and family with you.



WHERE DREAMS COME TRUE



**COLORFUL FAMILY FUN** 



LOVE MADE US A FAMILY, ADOPTION MADE US THREE



We've known each other for over ten years and have always shared a strong connection.



Our friendship began through a close-knit group of friends and coworkers who often got together for cookouts, card games, and cheering on our favorite teams. Even with our sports rivalries (Tiffany cheers for the Cubs and Boilermakers, Gary roots for the Reds and Hoosiers), we bonded over our love of community and good company.

In 2016, after Tiffany's first husband, Joey, tragically passed away, our friendship stayed strong. For two years, we leaned on each other through both laughter and grief. Eventually, we realized there was something more between us. We began dating in 2018 and were married the following year.

Our path to parenthood came with challenges.

After battling infertility, we felt called to adopt.

In June 2022, we welcomed our daughter,

Emerson, through open adoption. One of our

greatest joys has been getting to know her birth
family, who we now consider part of our own.

#### We're an active, fun-loving family.

We enjoy sports of all kinds, live concerts, and outings to the zoo and children's museum. Gary loves to fish and hopes to share that passion with our kids. He also dreams of starting a foundation that teaches children about God and the outdoors. Tiffany keeps our energy up and makes every outing more fun.

Travel is still a big part of our life. Since becoming parents, our trips have changed from Vegas and stadiums to Disney and beach towns, but we still love exploring new places and trying local food wherever we go.

Even with all our adventures, home is our favorite place. We love hosting pool parties, cookouts, and holidays with family and friends. We're so thankful for this life and can't wait to share it with another child.



SUNSET AT THE LAKE



**GREAT VIEWS AT GATLINBURG** 



CAR PACKED AND HEADED OUT ON VACATION









# ALL ABOUT TIFFANY

BY GARY

Tiffany is a kind, organized and driven individual. She's a full time professional, thanks to an amazing employer who allows her to be a full-time mother. She thrives in family friendly work hours and cherishes spending time with Emerson. As a banking professional, she is generous in sharing her knowledge with friends and family in need of advice. Her common sense and level headedness make it easy for others to understand the complexities of personal financial matters. Her organizational skills make her the 'go-to family member,' when family vacations are being discussed. She has the knack of making things happen for her family and unselfishly, for herself. She is passionate about music, sports and travel. Tiffany can't wait to share these interests with another child.



WITH A FRIEND AND HER SON AT THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM



POSING WITH EMERSON



BEACH VACATION WITH BABY EMERSON AND OUR TWIN NIECES

### FUN FACTS

#### **FAVORITE VACATION SPOT**

Any place warm with a beach.

I'm happiest with sand between my toes

and sun on my face.

#### WHAT I LIKE TO COLLECT

I've always loved butterflies. I collect anything with butterflies on it—they make me smile and remind me of hope and transformation.

#### **FAVORITE MUSIC**

I listen to a little bit of everything, but country music, both old and new, is what I love most.

#### **FAVORITE SPORTS TEAMS**

Chicago Cubs, Indianapolis Colts, and the Purdue Boilermakers - even though Gary is a fan of the Indiana Hoosiers.

#### **FAVORITE SEASONAL ACTIVITY**

In the summer, I love being outside. Whether it's relaxing by the pool or spending time at the beach, I enjoy the sunshine.

#### **FAVORITE DESSERT**

Strawberry cream pie. It's fresh, light, and one of my favorites to share.

#### **FAVORITE LUNCHBOX SNACK**

Black olives. A little unusual, maybe, but I've loved them since I was a kid.







# ALL ABOUT GARY

BY TIFFANY

Gary is a rock-steady, funny, warm, and devoted father. He knows no bounds and is known for his infectious laughter and easygoing nature. People are naturally drawn to him, and it's easy to see why. After a successful career in banking and finance, where he often shared his expertise in financial literacy with people of all age, Gary has transitioned into a full-time father. He is incredibly generous and cherishes both his friends and family above all else. His dad jokes are legendary, and often elicit laughter from Emerson, but eye-rolls from the rest of the world. In his free time, Gary is all about faith, fishing, family, friendship and football... all the F's but he is an A+ husband, father, son, brother, and friend. Gary is eager to pass on these valuable qualities to our future child.



DADDY DAUGHTER FISHING



GARY IS A JOKESTER!



WHAT A CATCH! FISHING IN OUR POND WITH OUR COUSIN'S SON

### FUN FACTS

#### **FAVORITE VACATION SPOT**

The Emerald Coast of Florida. We've made a lot of great memories there over the years with family and keep going back.

#### **FAVORITE PLACE TO TAKE KIDS**

Anywhere outdoors, especially near water. I love fishing with Emerson and exploring the nature preserve right across from our house.

#### **INSTRUMENT I PLAY**

Air guitar-and sometimes air drums. Not professionally, but I've got rhythm.

#### **FAVORITE MUSIC**

My playlist includes everything from Post Malone and Metallica to George Strait and Mozart. These days, you'll also hear plenty of Raffi and The Lori Berkner Band in our house.

#### SPORT I LIKE TO PLAY

Cornhole is my specialty. I've won more family tournaments than I can count. I also throw a football pretty far, have a solid baseball arm, and great hands for catching... including fish.

#### DREAM JOB

I've had some rewarding roles in banking and finance, but being Emerson's dad and Tiffany's husband is by far the best job I've ever had.

#### **FAVORITE ACCESSORY**

My ball cap. It's rare to see me without one, and some say it's as unusual as spotting a unicorn in a tuxedo.



## MEET EMERSON

# Emerson is our almost 3 year-old blessing from God.

Her sunshine, was welcomed into the family as a newborn, after an incredible act of love and trust on the part of her birth family. She loves God, family, friends, dancing, swimming, soccer, and music, thanks to our appreciation of all of those things. She is full of energy, loves to be outside and makes friends with everyone she meets. She is excited to be a big sister. She will soon be picking out books for her future sibling!









PRESCHOOL PHOTO DAY

**DISNEY GIRL** 

**SWEET AND SILLY** 





**OUR THOUGHTS** 

## ON PARENTING

As parents, we want to raise our kids with faith, kindness, and a zest for life.

We're excited to become parents again and know that our strengths will shape a loving, joyful home. Tiffany's caring nature will teach them to love others, Gary's sense of humor will keep things lively, while our shared interests-like music and sports-will be treasures we pass on. Your child will be safe, loved and celebrated, with an open adoption if you'd like.





OUR BACKYARD WE CALL "THE O'ASIS"

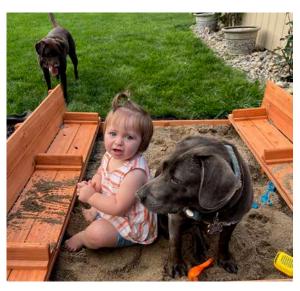
Our charming two-story home sits on a quiet cul-de-sac surrounded by wonderful neighbors with whom we are very close with. It features an in-ground pool, a wooden play set, a sandbox, an inflatable bounce house with water slides, canons and splash zone, a hot tub, and a private pond for fishing. It's truly a perfect home for family fun. The spacious yard is great for our rescue pups, Kora and Kira, and a safe haven for children to learn, grow, and flourish.

In fact, with both of us holding strong
Irish ancestry and as a creative nod to
the apostrophe in our last name, we have
nicknamed our home as, The O'Asis.

CATCHING UP WITH A GOOD FRIEND WHO IS ALSO AN ADOPTIVE MOM



BRUNCH WITH OTHER ADOPTIVE MOMS! SHARING LAUGHS, SUPPORT, AND THE JOURNEY



SANDBOX FUN WITH EMERSON, KIRA, AND KORA IN OUR BACKYARD

### OUR COMMUNITY

We are also very fortunate to have a great community of other adoptive families that we are part of. We all try to get together as a big group a few times a year and will meet up with just a family or 2 at other times.



## OUR PETS





Kora and Kira, our rescue pups, are gentle and playful. They love attention, especially from children. They cuddle with Emerson and are ready to be pals with our next little one. Kira is very chill and you will normally find her snoozing on the couch or bed. Kora is very active, loves to swim in the pool and when she is outside you wont find her without a tennis ball.









WE HOSTED A FUN FAMILY REUNION FOR GARY'S SIDE



We have a close-knit group of friends and family!

Our parents are all thrilled to spoil Emerson. Gary's adult daughter Molly, her husband David and their son Beau (Emerson's nephew) are close in multiple ways, distance, age and heart. We spend a lot of time with our extended families. We are often getting together to celebrate a birthday, holiday or going to a niece's or nephew's game. Yearly, sometimes multiple times a year we take a family vacation with some of the extended family. Emerson has so much fun being able to go to the beach with her cousins and explore new areas. Our family, our friends and our neighbors eagerly await the arrival of another child into our tightly knit group of supporters.

#### EASTER IS A FAVORITE FAMILY TRADITION WITH TIFFANY'S MOM AND FAMILY



### **OUR TRADITIONS**

- · Christmas Eve with Grammy & Papaw and Christmas Brunch with Mamaw & Papaw.
- Easter egg hunts at Nana & Papaw's with cousins Harper and Hadley are a newer tradition in our growing family.
- · Memorial Day Weekend Indy 500 pool party, Fourth of July cookout, and family reunions are legendary events filled with outdoor games for all ages (especially cornhole for the adults), music always playing, and a bounce house water park that's always bursting with laughter.



WE LOVE FAMILY VACATIONS



CHRISTMAS EVENT IN TOWN



GET TOGETHER WITH OUR GOOD FRIENDS AND FELLOW ADOPTIVE FAMILIES



Thanks for meeting us! We promise your child a home filled with love, faith, and support. We would be delighted to stay connected through photos, updates, or visits-whatever works best for you. We hope our family feels like the right for your child, and we are here with open hearts.



Tiffany, Gary, and Emerson

