
Rachel & Will

We're Rachel & Will from Connecticut

WELCOME!

Thank you so much for taking the time to learn about us, our life together, and our hope to grow our family through adoption. We know this may be a significant and emotional time in your life, and we are grateful that you would consider getting to know us as part of your journey.





Adoption has always felt close to our hearts, and our faith has helped guide us toward this path.

We feel incredibly grateful for the opportunity to grow our family through adoption and to open our lives to a child.

THANK YOU!

We hope these pages give you a genuine glimpse into who we are, the people who surround us, and the loving, joyful home we hope to share with a child. Thank you for considering us and for taking the time to read our story.





Our story



We first met at a middle school dance in seventh grade, briefly “dated,” and reconnected when we were 22. We’ve been together ever since, married in May 2024, and now share our home with our dog, Fin, who we rescued from the Bahamas.

Our relationship is built on friendship, mutual respect, shared faith, and a lot of laughter. We love spending time together, whether cooking at home, walking Fin, working on house projects, or gathering with family and friends. We also enjoy hiking, running, boating, traveling, and days at the beach.

OUR NEXT CHAPTER

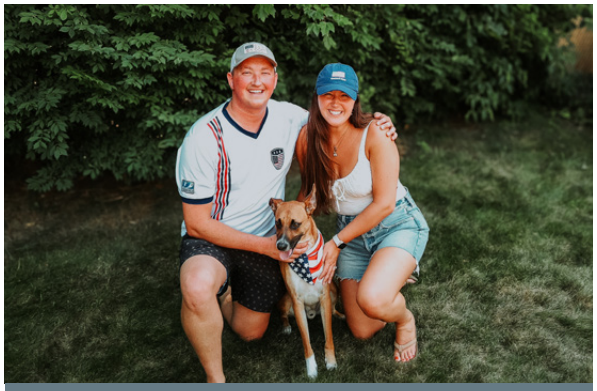


Honeymoon in Mexico

What excites us most about becoming parents is sharing the life we have built while also creating new traditions as a family. We look forward to the big adventures, but even more to the everyday moments, family dinners, walks, holidays, bedtime routines, and simply watching a child grow into who they are.



Summer days are better on the water



Celebrating the 4th with our pup



The best views are worth the climb



Rachel

I've wanted to be a mom for as long as I can remember.

My faith and my large, close-knit family have shaped so much of who I am. Growing up as one of four children with more than 30 cousins taught me patience, kindness, forgiveness, and how to make ordinary moments fun. I love spending time with family and friends, walking with Will and Fin, gardening, cooking and baking, traveling, and being creative. As a preschool teacher, I also love helping young children learn, grow, and feel encouraged.

I look forward to creating a warm, joyful home filled with love and structure, and celebrating everything from the biggest milestones to the quiet everyday moments.

WILL SAYS

"Rachel is an incredible woman, and teaching twenty four-year-olds every day has given her plenty of practice in patience, kindness, and caring for others. I know she'll be the mom cheering the loudest at every game and new interest, while creating a home filled with love and support. She brings so much warmth to the people around her, and I'm excited for our children to grow up with that every day."



Sunny days with Fin



Dinner prep



A little sweet treat



Doing what I love as Ms. Rachel



An evening spent painting oyster shells



Will

I want my children to always know they can count on me.

I am someone who is deeply passionate about my family, friends, and community. Growing up as the only boy with three sisters taught me compassion, patience, and the importance of showing up for the people I love. I enjoy spending time outdoors with my loved ones, especially hiking, running, boating, and fishing, and I am always happy to lend a hand when someone needs it. I work as a project lead at a consulting firm, volunteer as a firefighter, serve as Vice President of our local library board, and have become the unofficial handyman around our house. As a parent, I look forward to teaching my children to love God, their mother, their family and friends, and their community, while sharing with them our family's love of nature and time spent together.

RACHEL SAYS

"Will always makes time for the people he loves. He is patient, dependable, and loves sharing what he knows. I can already picture him helping with homework, teaching a new game, and answering every question at story time. He'll make everyday moments fun while being a steady, loving presence in our children's lives."



Proud of my latest woodworking project



Always up for a good hike



Getting into the Halloween spirit



You'll often find me at the grill



Porch time with Fin

Rachel



Career

Pre-K Teaching Assistant

In 3 Words

Bubbly, thoughtful, organized

Loves

My family, walks on the beach, my hometown, my dog, boat rides, boardgames, pizza, and ice cream

Random Fact

I own a flower wall and photo booth rental business with my sister-in-law

AT A GLANCE

Will



Career

Project Lead & Volunteer Firefighter

In 3 Words

Resilient, creative, driven

Loves

Family and friends, traveling, running, woodworking, and perfecting my lawn

Random Fact

I play the bagpipes and I am a certified SCUBA diver



ADVENTURES AHEAD

We can't wait to bring a child into the fun, laughter, traditions, and everyday adventures that make our life feel like home.



Our home



Made for cozy nights together

Our home is warm, cozy, and welcoming, with a beautiful yard and a back porch we enjoy most of the year. Inside, we spend time by the fireplace doing puzzles, playing cards, watching movies, and gathering with family.

We're lucky to have family close by, including a future aunt and uncle just down the street and both sets of grandparents a short drive away.

Our small town has a strong sense of community. Through Rachel's teaching and Will's involvement with the fire department and library, we've built wonderful connections here. With plenty to do nearby, it feels like a wonderful place to raise a family.



MEET FIN

Fin is our rescue dog from the Bahamas. He loves beach walks, couch cuddles, and serving as our unpaid security guard whenever a deer, squirrel, or person passes by. He is friendly, loyal, and especially loves playing with our nieces and nephews. Our two-year-old niece has even started “training” him with commands. Fin joins us on neighborhood walks each morning.



Our family



We are blessed to live close to much of our family. We are both one of four children, and when we started dating, our siblings quickly became friends too. We see most of them weekly and often gather for Sunday dinners. We also have seven nieces and nephews and love having them over for pumpkin painting, Halloween movies, and our annual Christmas cookie decorating party.

Last year, we hosted a “Country Appetizer” party where family and friends brought dishes tied to their heritage or a place they love. We had Scottish shortbread, Lebanese hummus and tabbouleh, Puerto Rican rice and beans, and dishes from nearly every continent.

Every August, we join Rachel’s extended family in New Hampshire. More than 40 relatives stay in mountain cabins, hike, swim, eat ice cream, and canoe eight miles down the river, stopping halfway for a campfire lunch.

LOVE MAKES A FAMILY

Adoption has always been part of both sides of our family, including Will's mom. Because of this, adoption has never felt separate from how we think about family. We were both raised believing family is built through love, commitment, and relationships, and our families are excited to welcome a child into that same love and support.



Family adventures in New Hampshire



Ice cream with family visiting from Scotland



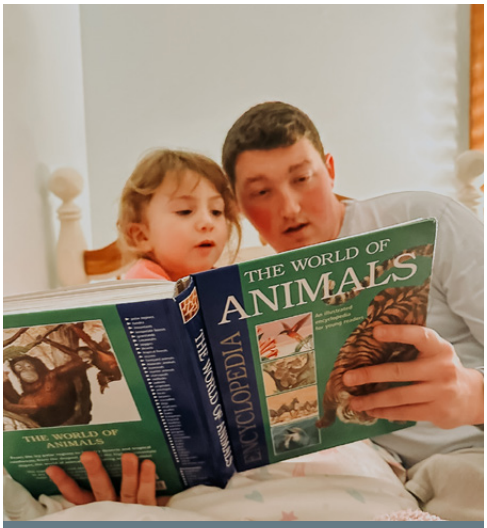
Painting pottery together



Everyone joins in on Rachel's big annual family trip



Celebrating together, '70s style



Storytime with our niece



Always up for a park playdate with our niece



Uncle Will gives the best hugs



Baby snuggles with Aunt Rachel



Adventures with our nephew



Christmas cookie decorating

KIDS IN OUR LIFE

Children are already a big part of our lives. We love spending time with our seven nieces and nephews, whether we're painting pumpkins, watching Halloween movies, decorating Christmas cookies, or gathering for family dinners. Rachel also spends her days working with young children as a Pre-K teaching assistant and loves helping them learn, grow, and feel encouraged. We're excited to one day share these traditions and relationships with a child of our own.

MAKING MEMORIES



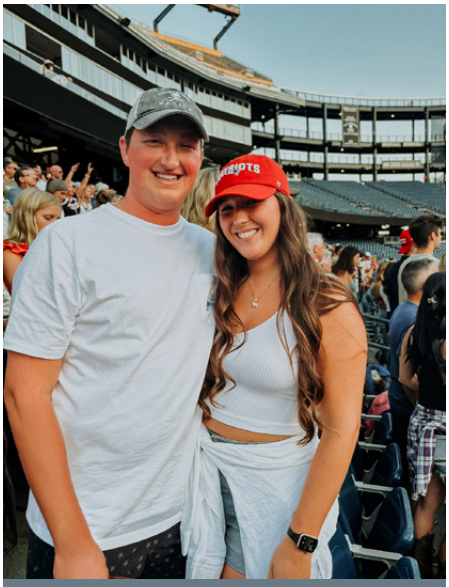
We love filling our days with the people we love, new places to explore, and plenty of reasons to celebrate.



Our little Christmas crew



A day at Lambeau Field



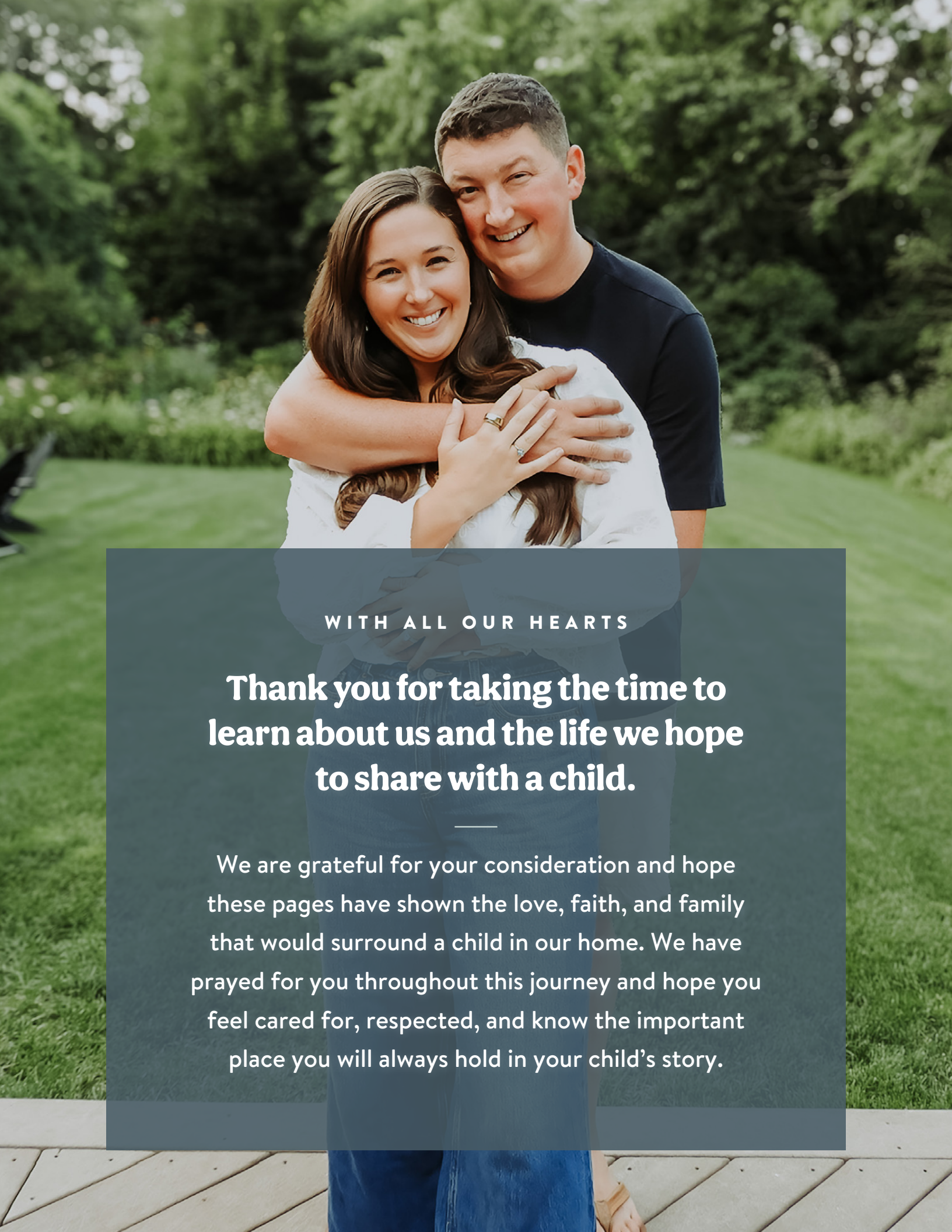
Kenny Chesney concert night



What matters most

We want our children to grow up feeling safe, understood, and deeply loved. Open communication, clear expectations, kindness, and respect will be important in our home, but above all, we want our children to know that our love for them is constant and unconditional.

We also believe it is important for a child to grow up knowing and honoring their adoption story from the beginning. We will speak about you with love and respect, and make sure our child understands the important place you hold in their life and story. If you choose to have an open relationship with us, we would be grateful for the opportunity to build a relationship that feels comfortable and meaningful to you. Whatever that relationship looks like, we will always honor you and the love behind the decisions you make for your child.



WITH ALL OUR HEARTS

Thank you for taking the time to learn about us and the life we hope to share with a child.

We are grateful for your consideration and hope these pages have shown the love, faith, and family that would surround a child in our home. We have prayed for you throughout this journey and hope you feel cared for, respected, and know the important place you will always hold in your child's story.

WITH GRATITUDE

Rachel & Will

