



my family

HELLO! I AM...



YOUR ADOPTIVE PARENT COORDINATOR

Please take a moment to read through my profile to learn more about me and my role in your adoption journey.

ABOUT ME

I have worked my entire career in Accounting and Human Resources. While I have enjoyed the work, I can honestly say that something was missing. Adoption will always hold a special place with me and working in the field gives me so much gratification. Outside of my career and family life, I love photography, cooking and advocating.

Family life is forever changing, so my wife and I are navigating parenthood mindfully and openly. It is important that we try our best to help our daughter find herself and respect herself. As a family we love to camp, watch movies, listen to music, and create art of all sorts. We try to stay positively present in the moment since life has become so fast paced. We intentionally take time to unplug, recharge, and ground ourselves as often as possible.

MY FAMILY & FRIENDS

"Ohana means family. Family means no one gets left behind." — Lilo, Lilo & Stitch

I love movie quotes, so any chance I get to reference one, I will! This quote from Lilo & Stitch is what comes to my mind when I imagine what family means to me. Family are those that we choose to have in our lives for the long haul. The ones that have our best interest in mind, and vice versa. The ones that bring us joy, love us unconditionally and support us in all of life's endeavors. Our families are the ones that we are forever bonded to.

HOW ADOPTION HAS TOUCHED MY LIFE

My wife and I began our adoption journey in 2019. Our daughter was placed with us in 2021, and we keep communication open with her birth family. We admire her birthmother's strength and know we would not be the parents we are without her.

In addition to being an adoptive mom, my sister is a birthmother. She placed twin girls with their adoptive family in 2008. All of my experiences combined have taught me so much. I find myself passionately advocating for adoption every chance I get. To say it is a dream come true to see things come full circle would be an understatement.



fun facts about Mikki

Favorite Sport: Softball Favorite Food: Chicken & Sausage Gumbo Hobby: Photography Family Tradition: Friday Night Pizza Party Musical Group: Alanis Morissette Favorite Movie: Juno Dream Vacation: Samoa Holiday: Juneteenth Favorite TV Show: Grey's Anatomy Subject in School: Publications Favorite Book: The Giver

ADOPTIVE PARENTS



Hello! My name is Nikki and I will be walking alongside you as you embark on your adoption journey.

I am an adoptive mom that is excited to share with you my experiences and offer you my support. Often during the waiting period, you will hear the same thing over and over: "It's worth the wait!" This is certainly true, but waiting is complex. That is why I'm honored to be able to listen to you, reassure you, and give you hope until the day comes that you yourself will be saying, "It's worth the wait!"

During our adoption waiting process, we joined a local support group. This group helped us tremendously. We also turned to family and friends to help us through. I understand this may not be an option for everyone, so I would recommend finding any healthy outlet to rely on during the times of need. I chose to start gardening and I still find it to be therapeutic to this day.

My goal is to offer you answers to your questions, an ear to listen, empathy during any challenges, and encouragement during this time. I welcome you to be open so that I may reach my goals in supporting you fully. However, I will respect your time needed in doing so.

I am looking forward to growing our relationship. And I'm super stoked to be part of your adoption journey!

Vikki

