



PHILIP & SAM

Dear Expectant Parent,

We are Sam and Philip and are excited to grow our family through adoption. Thank you for giving us the chance to share a bit about ourselves.

Philip and Sam

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about US

We are a married couple in our 30's living in Atlanta. *Philip is an Art Director for a children's company, combining his interests of art and photography with love for children. Sam, whose father was a Real Estate Developer, is a Real Estate Investor.*

about CHILDCARE

Sam, being self-employed, works with flexibility and exclusively from home.

Sam's mother, a retired registered nurse, lives with us full-time. In her we will be lucky to have a grandparent, nurse, and babysitter. From the first day the baby arrives Sam and his mother will be available for the child 100% of the time.

our PUPS

We have two dogs, both rescued from local shelters. Lucy, a dachshund/beagle mix is Sam's little girl while Charlie, a miniature schnauzer mix is Philip's best friend. *They are both great companions and love people.* When we go to our local dog park they ignore the other dogs and only want to play with the kids.



HALLOWEEN PUMPKIN CARVING



OUR HOME



POOL AND BACKYARD



CHARLIE AND LUCY

our HOME & COMMUNITY

We live in an affluent suburb of Atlanta. The home was selected because the basement was converted into a fully functioning apartment for Sam's mother who lives with us. We have a fenced back yard with a pool. *The home is on a cul-de-sac in a small neighborhood. The size has allowed us to become very close with our neighbors and we know them all by name.*

The school system is nationally recognized. We look forward to walking the kids to school on pretty days and stopping by the park on the way home.

AWESOME LOCAL DESTINATIONS

There are many playgrounds, nature preserves, and even state parks bordering a river within a mile radius of our home



CHRISTMAS PARTY WITH FRIENDS



BEING SILLY AT A FAMILY FUNCTION



HIKING IN THE NORTH GEORGIA MOUNTAINS



SAM AND NEPHEW RILEY



PHILIP COOKING AT HOME

meet DOSS

We have one adopted son, Doss. He was born in May 2017 and we have loved him more than we could have ever imagined. We've enjoyed sharing him with lots of friends and family and he's already traveled to Miami, Chicago, New York, Nashville, and twice to Pittsburgh. *Sam enjoys taking him to weekly swim classes and joined the local YMCA for their infant activities.* He is a very good, relaxed child and will make an excellent older brother.



DOSS AS A BABY

Sam on PHILIP

Philip is a very thoughtful person and never speaks without thinking first. He is a very intellectual person and is curious about everything. When Philip is passionate about something he learns everything he can about the subject and enjoys sharing it with others. This makes me feel he will be a great teacher as a father.

When Philip gets home from work it's cute to see him track us down and immediately wants time with Doss. *He loves seeing how much he can get the baby to laugh.* He is such a supportive husband to me, being a stay-at-home-father, by taking on all of the cooking duties and allowing me to catch up on desperately needed sleep over the weekend.

Philip on SAM

Sam is a very considerate person and is the first person to question others' perspectives. *I admire the consistency of Sam's love, it is unconditional and bountiful.*

As the primary caregiver I am often in shock of how patient Sam always is regardless of temper tantrums, what can seem like constant diaper changes and feedings, frequent playtime, and all while operating on very little sleep. I sometimes ask how he's able to do it all so well and he either responds "it's all part of the job" or "I'd take ten more just like him".

LOVE MAKES A family

We are both very close to our families and are thankful for how supportive they are of us and our choice to adopt.

Philip is the middle child and peacemaker. He has an older brother, Steve, and younger sister, Marilyn. Philip and his siblings all married within two years of each other and are excited to see their family grow so quickly. As we start the process of adopting, Marilyn and her husband are trying to get pregnant and Steve and his wife had their first child, Nolan, in July of last year. We dream of our children growing up together.

Sam is an only child and always wanted a big family when he got older. His earliest memories are of friend's large families and he one day wanted that for himself.

We both think we would like to have a large family by modern standards, 4+ children.



SAM AND SISTER-IN-LAW TAI



PHILIP'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY



PHILIP'S SIBLINGS AND SPOUSES



SAM'S BEST FRIENDS LYNN AND KARRY

things WE LOVE TO DO

OUR GREATEST SHARED INTERESTS ARE DESIGN, EXERCISE, TRAVEL, ENTERTAINING FRIENDS AND FAMILY, AND LOVE OF NATURE.

SAM'S HOBBIES:

Gardening
News and current events – specifically financial and political
Handyman chores

PHILIP'S HOBBIES:

Design, art, and photography
Food and cooking



in CLOSING

We believe that it is important to be very honest with your child about the adoption. They will never doubt that you made what you felt was the best decision. If you would like we will send regular updates on the child. At their request, with your permission, and if we think it's in the best interest of the child we also welcome you in their life.

We have had a very positive experience with our son's birth mother and are hopeful for the same luck this time. We text with her almost weekly, share pictures constantly, and she gets updates on all of his achievements and milestones.



PHILIP IN MIAMI WITH FRIENDS

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