

# Bill, Jennifer & Madilyn

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Dear Birth Parent:

We are honored and excited that you are reading this letter and truly respect the brave decision that you are making for yourself and your child. We empathize with your situation and we admire your remarkable strength and courage. While we cannot understand all of your feelings, we have experienced pain and loss through our infertility. We have been trying to conceive a child for many years and even though the journey has been difficult - we are parents in our hearts and know that adoption is our path to parenthood. We know that God has a plan for us to have children and for us to be a family.

Through this letter we hope you will take comfort and find peace in knowing that your child will grow up with a family that loves them unconditionally.

## **A Little Bit About Us and How We Got Here**

We are Bill and Jennifer. We were introduced by friends who thought that we were a perfect match. We could not have agreed more. We have been happily married for over twelve years and are a sensitive, loving couple that respects each other greatly. Family is truly the most important aspect in our lives. We have one daughter we adopted, named Madilyn; she is 4 years old. Our adoption journey with Madilyn has been beautiful and amazing. We met her when she was just 12 days old and she has overflowingly filled our hearts and home with love. Bill melted the moment he laid eyes on Madilyn – I knew she was going to be Daddy's little girl. We are in contact with Madilyn's birth mom and have an open relationship that works for all of us. We have all agreed to let our relationship evolve as Madilyn grows up. We correspond via email, send photos and visit. We look forward to expanding our family with the blessing of another child.



We have always known that children would be a part of our lives. We talked about when we would start our family and decided to wait a little in order to grow in our marriage and complete graduate school. We have enjoyed fun vacations, spontaneous trips and weekend getaways. We looked forward to the exciting changes once we were blessed with children. Becoming Madilyn's parents has been more fulfilling than we ever imagined and we are excited to adopt another child.

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## Family

Jennifer's parents are great examples of commitment to family and had been married for 34 years when Jennifer's mom passed away in 2002. Jennifer's mom was overflowing with love for her children and lived everyday to see them grow into wonderful adults. Children that we bring into our home will know Jennifer's mom through all the wonderful qualities that were passed on to Jennifer. Jennifer is close to her dad who cherishes being a grandfather.



Jennifer and her younger sister Lynn are 19 months apart and have always been close.



Lynn has three children, 2 girls and a boy. Jennifer and her sister feel blessed to have little girls so close in age – Madilyn and her oldest cousin Chesine, named after Jennifer's mom, are 12 weeks apart and Kalin is 2 1/2. It is heartwarming to see all of them play together, give each other hugs and kisses and hold hands.

Madilyn's youngest cousin is baby Louis; he is just six months old. Madilyn absolutely adores him and always wants to hold, hug and kiss him. It is so sweet to see. Madilyn often asks, "when is her baby coming"? We are all anxious to meet our new baby. Our families are overjoyed that we will also be adding to our family.

Bill is an only child who grew up in a neighborhood full of kids. His house was always filled with fun and laughter. Bill has great memories of throwing the ball around with his mom and grandfather and playing baseball in high school. Bill met many of his lifelong friends in grade school. He enjoys spending time with his friends and reminiscing about old times.

Bill has many cousins who have children that are eager to have another playmate. Bill's family is ready to spoil any child that comes into our home, especially his mom and step dad. The two of them are already excited about loving and playing with another little one.

The common theme in both of our families is unconditional love. Our moms are the best example of how to nourish, love, and support a child. We both feel great love and respect for our families. Both sides of our families were overjoyed when we told them that we are adopting again. They all know how long we have been waiting to have a family and how important it is to us.



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We believe our role as parents is to help a child build a strong foundation in order to develop a unique personality, talents and positive outlook on life. We will strive to foster a love of learning, great appreciation of life, strong Christian faith, personal responsibility, and respect for others.

We will inspire a happy childhood and nurture our children's journey in life to become an independent, responsible, loving adult. We look forward to seeing life through another child's eyes. Your child will always know the unselfish plan that you had for them and be our GREATEST treasure. We are incredibly grateful to you for bringing them into our lives.

## Our Home and Lifestyle

We recently moved to a community known for superior schools and great family and children atmosphere. We live two miles from Jennifer's sister and spend a great deal of time together. The grade school and high school are just a couple of blocks away and have a high standard of learning. We met many of our neighbors within the first week of moving in which made us feel welcome and excited about raising our family in such a warm and open community.



We enjoy our active lifestyle with Madilyn. Madilyn attends a highly reputable preschool that is based on the premise of Respect, Responsibility and Resourcefulness. She really likes school and participates in yoga, Spanish, art class and many other enriching activities. She is very social and loves being around other children. During the week Madilyn frequents the library and takes T-ball, Tae Kwan Do, soccer and swimming classes. She has many play dates with her cousins and neighborhood kids. On Tuesdays,



Jennifer's friends rotate houses so that all their kids can play and enjoy dinner together. Weekends are busy and fun too. All three of us go to "The Little Gym"

together and out for breakfast every Saturday. We have had many fun visits to the zoo, museums and the park. We alternate Sunday dinner with Bill's mom and step dad and Jennifer's sister. We are eager for Madilyn to have a sibling close in age so they can grow up together as best friends. Many people tell us that Madilyn is such a happy little girl, which warms our hearts. She will make a magnificent, loving big sister!



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We also own a summer home in a small community across from a lake with beautiful water and nature views. The house needs some work, but we look forward to the family times that we are going to spend in the country. Both of our families have fun working on the house together and seeing it become a warm, loving cottage. Madilyn loves going to the lake and calls it the "tree house". We have spent many summer weekends at the beach and pool with friends and family.



We have one cat named Willy who Madilyn loves very much. We have a great love for animals and have rescued, fostered, and placed over 25 cats. We rescued each cat in the hopes of helping them find a loving family and ultimately giving them a chance at a long, safe, wonderful life.

## Us

We both have Master degrees in Business and enjoy working in corporate finance. Bill works for a small company and Jennifer is a stay at home mom. Bill is committed to his work but not to the point of compromising his family relationships. He strives to maintain a good work life balance that will give him the opportunity to go to parent-teacher conferences, ball games and school plays. We are fortunate that his employer also values family.

We both have a large circle of friends, many of them with young children. We enjoy celebrating birthdays, baptisms, and many other significant milestones in their children's lives. Our friends are excited for us to adopt another child because they know how much we love being parents.

Jennifer's first love is being a stay at home mom. She also loves to cook and entertain friends, read books and practice yoga. She takes pride in taking care of our home and enjoys making it a reflection of who we are, both comfortable and loving.

Bill is extremely handy and tackles all of the big household projects. He has taken several woodworking classes and has made many beautiful pieces for our home. Bill is a perfectionist and loves working with his hands. He cannot wait to have another little buddy to share in some of his projects and teach what he has learned.

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## Closing Thoughts

We are both facing challenges in our life now – you with a difficult choice of potentially placing your child for adoption and us with trying to realize the dream of adding to our family. Hopefully we can help each other realize our dreams- your dream for this child to have a lifetime of love and support and our dream of having a family to share our love, life and hopes. We want you to know that we will cherish your baby and always provide a loving, stable home – they will always be our GREATEST treasure! We want to create an adoption plan that works for all of us and can evolve over time. Your baby will know that you had an extraordinary, loving plan for them.

Without adoption we could not have realized our dream of becoming a family. For this reason, gratitude is not a big enough word to convey how we feel about the chance to adopt your child. The first book that we bought for Madilyn is titled "Did My First Mommy Love Me?" We are open with our daughter about her growing in someone else's belly and proud to say that she is adopted.

We cannot put into words the respect that we have for you and your decision. Nor can we say that we understand exactly what you are feeling. But, we do know that we will give everything possible to your child. We will shower them with love and guidance and help them flourish into an amazing adult. We are grateful for our blessings and anxiously await the day when another child enters our lives. Thank you for learning about us. God will bless you in your decision.

