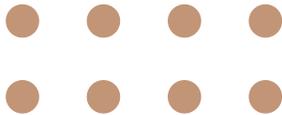


Ryan, Chelsea

Neveah & Ruby



HELLO,

Although we may not know you yet, we are hopeful you take a few minutes to get to know our story, and also hopeful that we can soon learn more about you, too. We can't imagine the decision you are facing as you consider finding someone to raise your child. But you should know that if you find us a "good fit" to raise your child, we will always be a positive support with your child's best interest at heart.

We have been together for 18 years and married for 12. **We have an 8-year-old daughter (Neveah) and 5-year-old daughter (Ruby).** Both girls are adopted and have very different adoption experiences. Our girls are so excited to have a younger sibling and ask every day when they will get to meet the baby.

If we could briefly describe our family we would say we are happy, healthy, and loving! We have an amazing support system of family and friends.

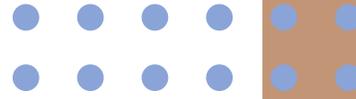
Neveah and Ruby have 10 cousins who adore them and can't wait to have another little cousin in their family to love. All of the grandparents; aunts and uncles; and friends feel the same way, too!

We want you to know that we are flexible and open to working together with you to figure out what our relationship will look like in the future. **And we promise to always be open and honest with your child about who you are and how selfless of a decision you made.**

Ryan & Chelsea



OUR STORY



Our motto is “grow old with me, the best is yet to be.”

It all began 18 years ago at a restaurant/bar after Carb Day at the Indianapolis 500. After meeting each other, we both expressed coincidentally to family and friends that “this is the one”.



Chelsea has always felt a strong calling to adoption and envisioned building a blended family through both birth and adoption. Our journey has included trying to conceive, opening our home as a foster family to 8 children, and adopting our daughter Neveah through foster care. After also going thru IVF and adopting our daughter Ruby, **we knew that adoption is the path meant for us as we continue to grow our family.**

“Ryan has always been a natural father. He is goofy and playful and always on the floor playing with the kids.” ~ **Chelsea**

“I admire Chelsea’s patience and parenting skills with all of the children that have lived with us, including Neveah and Ruby.” ~ **Ryan**



MEET CHELSEA

I feel honored by the opportunity to become a mother through adoption and am committed to offering our children a life filled with love, support and respect.

Living a healthy, balanced life is important to me. I enjoy preparing nutritious meals, staying active, and spending time outdoors. Some of my favorite activities include playing pickleball, going for walks and decorating our home.



I enjoy my career in marketing and communications and grateful that I can work part time as the kids are young. I love being there when they get home from school!

I have learned from being a foster and adoptive parent to enjoy the simple moments with our family.

Dance parties and art projects occur frequently in our home!



MEET RYAN

I married my best friend and now I have the most beautiful family with her. I am looking forward to our family to growing.



From an early age, I have been interested in building roads and houses. I was a fan of Purdue University from an early age, graduated with a degree in Engineering, and to this day still follow Boilermakers athletic teams closely..

It's so much fun to take the kids to some of the games now that they are old enough to enjoy them!



Today, I am doing exactly what I always dreamed of - I manage a team at a local civil engineering and surveying company. I typically leave early in the morning, so I can come home early to enjoy the evening with our family.



A LITTLE ABOUT NEVEAH...

**We feel so blessed to have Neveah as a part of our family.
She is so sweet and we can't imagine life without her.**



Neveah came to us in foster care when she was 7 months old and we adopted her when she was 3.5 years old. Today she is a sweet and vibrant 8 year old... that seems to be growing up so fast!

She is giggly, fashionable and a social butterfly. She loves music, dancing, doing hair and makeup, riding her bicycle, traveling, playing with friends and creating outfits for her Barbies.

Neveah is a natural nurturer and is an amazing big sister. She understands what Ruby needs when she's upset, protects her and could not be more excited to have another younger sibling to help care for.

...AND RUBY

**Life without Ruby is unimaginable!
She brings so much energy and spirit to our family.**

Ruby came to our family when she was just a day old and today she is a very silly 5 year old. Ruby has a creative imagination that is filled with thoughts of kitties, unicorns and new costume ideas for next year's Halloween! She is incredibly independent and tries her hardest at everything she does.



Ruby loves swimming, painting, and a good challenge! Last summer she scored her first soccer goal in the final game. She ran down the field with her arms raised above her head and gave her coach a big celebratory hug. Everyone cheered because they knew how hard she had wanted and worked for this moment!

Ruby asks every morning when her baby brother or sister will come home. We have no doubt she will enjoy playing "kitties" with her baby brother or sister.



OUR HOME

We're grateful for our 4-bedroom home with a finished basement and backyard where the kids and friends love to play.



We live in a family-oriented neighborhood with a community playground, pool, and tennis and basketball courts. Over the past 4 years, we've built many wonderful friendships here. **We promise your child will be surrounded by many close friends in the neighborhood!**

Our neighborhood is full of activities and traditions we love—Chelsea is part of a book club; Halloween is always a blast with so many trick-or-treaters; the girls recently went Christmas caroling with friends; and Ryan enjoys running through the neighborhood for exercise.



Living Room

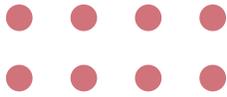


Future Nursery



Basement

AS A FAMILY...



Travel and learning about the world are important to us. We are committed to raising your child with curiosity, openness and respect for different cultures and beliefs.

Spending time with family and friends is one of our greatest joys. We love traveling across the United States to create memories with the people we cherish most.



One of our favorite places is a lake in northern Indiana, where we spend many summer weekends on the water and making memories together.

Last year we traveled to **Florida, California, Colorado, Ohio, Arkansas, Illinois and Michigan.**



A typical evening after school and work is filled with trips to the playground, family dinners, swimming, or activities like ballet, piano, cheerleading or soccer.



EXTENDED FAMILY

Your child will always be surrounded by a strong support system and so much love.



Neveah and Ruby have 10 cousins whom they love spending time with!



Our extended family means so much to us.

We celebrate birthdays and holidays together and visit as often as we can.



OUR PROMISE

Thank you for taking the time to learn about our family. If you choose us, we promise to raise your child in a home grounded in grace, compassion, and open-hearted acceptance. We value honesty, and we will always speak openly and respectfully about their adoption story.

We will encourage their dreams, support them through both accomplishments and setbacks, and teach them the importance of discipline and hard work. At the same time, we will show them how to slow down, be present, and find joy in life's simplest and sweetest moments.

We will do everything we can to create a childhood full of meaningful experiences—travel, adventure, and everyday fun! **Most of all, we promise to surround them with unconditional love, stability, and a deep sense of belonging.**

Our family is woven from many different backgrounds, experiences, and ethnicities, and this diversity is one of our greatest strengths. It has shaped how we see the world and how we show up for one another—with curiosity, respect, and an appreciation for every person's unique story. **If your child joins our family, they will grow up surrounded by representation, understanding, and the assurance that they are seen, valued, and loved.**



Ryan & Chelsea