



CONNIE & RICK

Dear Expectant Parent,

THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO LEARN MORE ABOUT US AS YOU CONSIDER THIS IMPORTANT DECISION FOR YOU AND YOUR BABY. Being parents has been such a privilege and a blessing! Although we are not able to conceive again, we know that our family is not yet complete and adoption is the right path for us. Your child will be welcomed into our lives with open arms! Our son, Tripp, will LOVE being a big brother! We will ensure your child understands that you made this brave choice out of love and want you to feel confident that your child will be in a loving home. We are so excited to grow our family!

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about US

About 10 years ago Connie told her friends she was taking a “dating vacation” and was just going to enjoy single life for a while. Right before that, she had made plans to meet Rick and didn’t want to be rude and cancel, so as a courtesy she kept the date and was glad she did! Our first date was at a baseball game and we stayed and talked until we were kicked out! We had our wedding at the stadium where we had our first date- it was great!

We know who we are individually and as a couple which has given us a strong marriage and has carried us through life’s joys and challenges. We look forward to the next chapter of adding to our family!

our WORK

CONNIE WORKS IN HUMAN RESOURCES for a finance company, which is perfect as the people-person she is. She loves the flexibility of getting one day a week off to enjoy special mom time.

JUST LIKE IN THE MOVIES, RICK IS A SPECIAL AGENT who gets to investigate crimes. Unfortunately, he can’t share his stories. But kids always think it’s super cool!



WE CAN'T WAIT TO BE A FAMILY OF FOUR



HAYRIDE WITH GRANDMA TERRY

ROASTING MARSHMALLOWS FOR THE FIRST TIME

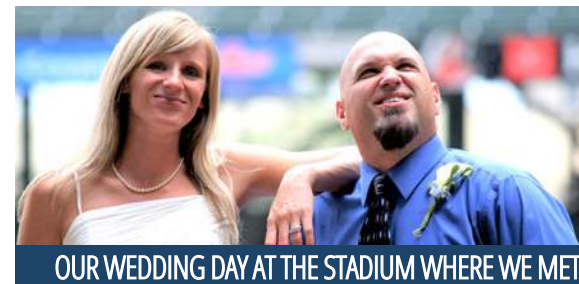


WHAT WE LOVE TO DO *for fun!*

- ▶ Growing up in Minnesota, Rick has always had a love for *hockey!*
- ▶ Rick talked Connie into doing her first *half marathon* and now she calls herself a runner.
- ▶ Going to *local festivals* is one of our favorite things to do in the summer.
- ▶ Rick coaches Tripp’s *flag football* team.
- ▶ We *camped together* for the first time in our camper! It will make for great family getaways.



FRIENDS AND RUNNING PARTNERS FOR 10 YEARS



OUR WEDDING DAY AT THE STADIUM WHERE WE MET



FAMILY FUN AT MINIATURE GOLF



RICK & FRIENDS PLAYING HOCKEY



BOATING ON LAKE MICHIGAN

meet TRIPP

Tripp is our sweet, silly and inquisitive 4-year-old son. He is pure energy and loves to be outside playing in the backyard, riding his bike, or playing hockey on the driveway. He loves just about any fruit, superheroes and Paw Patrol. Tripp enjoys reading stories and snuggling before bed. *He can't wait to be silly and make your child giggle!!*



TRIPP CAN'T WAIT FOR A SIBLING!

about CONNIE (BY RICK)

Connie’s abundance of energy is one of her best traits. Whether it involves running a half marathon, playing hockey or bike riding, she puts her “game face” on with a smile. *Connie has a knack of making friends everywhere she goes which is a reflection of her thoughtfulness and dedication.* She never hesitates to be a shoulder to cry on or a spirited cheerleader.

Above all else, Connie puts her family’s needs above her own and provides such a loving environment. She makes our house a home. She always says she has so much more love to give. I can’t wait to see her share that love with your child.

about RICK (BY CONNIE)

Rick is a wonderful combination of thoughtful, smart, funny, and dedicated, with a laid-back personality. If someone needs help, Rick is the first to jump in- from fundraising to shoveling driveways.

Rick’s quick wit keeps me on my toes! He doesn’t like to be the center of attention, but he has a knack for making people laugh hard! Rick’s job can be intense, yet he never brings home the stress of his work. He is so supportive and extremely encouraging.

Rick is an amazing and involved father who loves spending time with Tripp. I’m blessed to create a family with Rick!

THE PEOPLE we love

Your child will have two Grandmas, one Grandpa, four uncles, three aunts and nine first cousins!

Connie loves golfing with Grandma Pat and Grandpa Ron. They live nearby so your child will get spoiled and showered with attention. Grandma Terry spends her summers in Minnesota and winters in Texas. There's always an adventure when she is visiting!

HOLIDAYS

We love the holidays and all of the traditions that go with them- no matter how big or small! *We have carried on some old traditions from each of our childhoods and we've created some traditions of our own.*

The 4th of July is one of Connie's favorite holidays. We go to a large local parade and have family over for a cookout and fireworks. We enjoy Christmas at home so that Tripp can wake up and see what Santa left under the tree.

ABOUT PARENTING:

Rick is laid back and Connie is structured. It's a great balance. We are able to provide an environment that allows for fun and silliness but also incorporates responsibilities.



HOME SWEET HOME



4TH OF JULY PARADE... A FAVORITE!



FAMILY PIZZA PARTY



FUN TIMES WITH THE COUSINS

our HOME & COMMUNITY

Six years ago when we drove through our neighborhood in Wisconsin, we knew that was where we wanted to grow our family! Our house has a lot of room to entertain and play. It even has a movie room, air hockey table and of course, lots of toys. *Our neighborhood is filled with children riding bikes on the nearby trail, running through sprinklers or building snowmen!* Your child will have lots of friends nearby. Our community also has summer and winter festivals, a splash pad, and several parks.



our PROMISE

We will love your child with all of our hearts! *We promise to help your child understand his or her whole story with a sense of pride* and instill confidence. We will tell your child about you and make sure they always know the deep love you have for him or her. We look forward to staying in communication and sharing pictures if that is your wish. *There are so many people in our lives who are excited for us and fully support our decision to adopt* and can't wait to meet your child! Thank you for taking the time to learn about our family.

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