

Jerry & Mary Ellen



Hobbies & Interests

Spending time with family at home and traveling for summer vacation. Jerry enjoys home renovation; MaryEllen enjoys reading.

Occupation

Jerry: Engineer
MaryEllen: Stay at home mom

Education

Jerry: B.A., Computer Information Systems
MaryEllen: Ph.D., Germanic Linguistics

Religion or Belief System

Catholic

Pets

None

Children in Home

Ellie (age 6), Claire (age 4)

Our Story

We met on a Catholic dating website in August 2007. We were attracted to each other's personalities and shared a strong belief in our faith. MaryEllen was in Germany during this time, and Jerry decided to fly there during the Thanksgiving holiday weekend so we could actually meet. After two full days getting to know one another, we both felt we had "clicked." We were married in 2009, living first in California, and then relocating to Michigan in 2013 to be closer to family.

What Brought Us to Adoption

After enduring numerous miscarriages, we are thrilled to have our biological daughters, Ellie (born 2012) and Claire (born 2014). While another pregnancy is not possible, we still have much more love to give and would love to add to our family. That led us to consider adoption. We hope to bring another child into our home to love. Our daughters are excited about the possibility of a new brother or sister.

Our Hopes, Open Adoption & Relationship with Birth Family

We are ideally hoping for an open adoption because we feel it is best for the child. We would do whatever we could to keep the lines of communication open between the child and birth family, and we plan to work together with you to decide the level of openness. We look forward to getting to know you and your family and building a relationship.

These individuals have met all requirements of the State of Michigan and Catholic Social Services of Washtenaw County to become adoptive parents, may fit your situation and are waiting to welcome a child into their home. If you would like more information about this family, please contact Melissa or Kayleigh or email pregnancy@csswashtenaw.org.

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