

Tyler & Allie



Hello!

WE ARE TYLER AND ALLIE



THANK YOU FOR OPENING THIS
BOOK, FOR GIVING US THE CHANCE
TO SHARE **OUR STORY** WITH **YOU**,
AND FOR THE LOVE AND COURAGE
YOU ARE SHOWING IN THIS
MOMENT.



From the beginning of this journey, we've been praying for you, even without knowing your name or story—asking that you would feel peace, strength, and comfort along the way. Despite never having met you, you matter to us. Your child matters to us. We cannot imagine the strength it takes to walk the path you are on, but we want you to know that we see you and we hold deep respect for the selfless love behind your choices.

Adoption has ALWAYS been on our hearts, and we feel that God is guiding us toward it now. It is with prayer, faith, and hope that we step into this journey, trusting that He is at work in bringing the right connections together. We are preparing and praying for just the right child God has in store for us.

As you turn these pages, we hope that you'll get a glimpse of who we are, not just as Tyler and Allie, but as a couple who is ready to welcome and love a child with our whole hearts. No matter where this journey leads, **we are grateful for you**, and we send you love, respect, and peace as you move forward.



THANK YOU for taking the time to get to know us in the pages that follow.

Thirteen years ago, we were two college sophomores from different schools who had a chance meeting on a lacrosse field. A month later, and a few conversations about our shared love for Star Wars, we went on our first date. It wouldn't be much longer before we knew we were made for each other. The following two years of **long-distance dating** strengthened our communication and appreciation for each other's presence.

After getting engaged and graduating from college, we moved to Toronto for Tyler to start his career in the film industry. Our wedding took place in Augusta, Georgia, Allie's hometown. Cold weather, basement floods, and illness challenged us greatly during our time in Canada, but **those tough years laid a foundation for our marriage**. Two years later, we decided to leave the cold weather behind and move to sunny California, where we still reside today.

Since then, we have built a home and a life we love in the Bay Area. Through nearly a decade of marriage, with all its ups and downs, we've grown together and **are now ready for our next adventure**: welcoming a child into our lives!

OUR FAVORITES

- Going to the **movies**
- **Hiking** in and around the Bay Area
- Watching and attending sporting events like **football and hockey**
- **Traveling** to the East Coast to visit family
- **Hanging out** and **hosting** our friends

Our Values

Our faith is the foundation of everything we do. Both of us were blessed to grow up in close, loving Christian homes, and that upbringing has deeply shaped our lives and our marriage. Together, we strive to embody the values of hard work, humility, and family every day, setting an example through our actions and the way we care for one another. Our church family is also an important part of our lives, offering us encouragement and a community where we can both serve, grow, and lean on.

We strive to steward the time, talents, and resources that God has entrusted to us, making choices that reflect our priorities. We believe this is evident in how we manage our finances and spend our time volunteering at our church through the outreach programs they offer. **We want our home to be a place filled with faith, love, and laughter;** a safe and nurturing space where a child can grow, feel secure, and know they are deeply loved.



On Parenting

We believe in raising a child in a home where **patience and love** guide them in learning right from wrong. In our family, discipline is meant for guidance and instruction, not punishment, and we will model the values we hope to instill through our own example. We plan to use our complementary strengths to work together in raising our child. Both of us have come from diverse communities, and believe it is something that should be leaned into and utilized.

We have both been very fortunate to have parents who were very involved in our lives. Our dads both coached our sports teams growing up, and both of our moms were always present to help when we needed them. All of them **set good examples of what it means to be a parent**, and we look to carry on that tradition in our own way and for our own child.

We will give them plenty of attention, affection, and encouragement as they grow in their talents and interests. Above all, we want to **create a supportive environment where our child feels loved and respected**, growing into the person they are meant to be and knowing they are deeply cherished.



Meet Allie by Tyler

Allie is fearless, resilient, and everything I ever dreamed of in a wife. She is intelligent, compassionate, and **always knows how to balance my weaknesses with her strengths**. No matter what life throws at us, she meets it with patience, wisdom, and unwavering support. She shows me love through her actions—she surprises me with thoughtful gifts or tends to my physical or emotional needs without me having to ask. She is witty, remembers everything she hears, and is very competitive.

Her heart for others shines in everything she does. As an athletic trainer at a physical therapy clinic, **she treats each patient with care, encouragement, and individualized attention**, helping them regain their physical and mental strength. This same thoughtfulness and sensitivity carry into her interactions with children. Whether it is answering their every Star Wars or Disney question or asking them about their day, she makes them feel seen and valued. She is a great conversationalist with children and adults alike.

To anyone who knows her, it's clear that her friends and family are the deepest priorities in her life. She is always **thinking of ways to encourage, uplift, and serve those around her**, and her sacrificial love sets a beautiful example for those she meets. I have no doubt that Allie will be a loving mother who gives everything she has for her child, and I am endlessly proud to call her my wife.



fun facts

Born: Augusta, Georgia
Degree: Bachelor's in Athletic Training from Georgia Southern
Master's: Master's in Medical Science from South Florida
Job: Certified Athletic Trainer and Personal Trainer

I am a huge **Star Wars, Marvel, and Disney Fan**.

My go to movie snack is **popcorn and peanut butter m&m's**.

My favorite ride at Disneyland is **Space Mountain**.

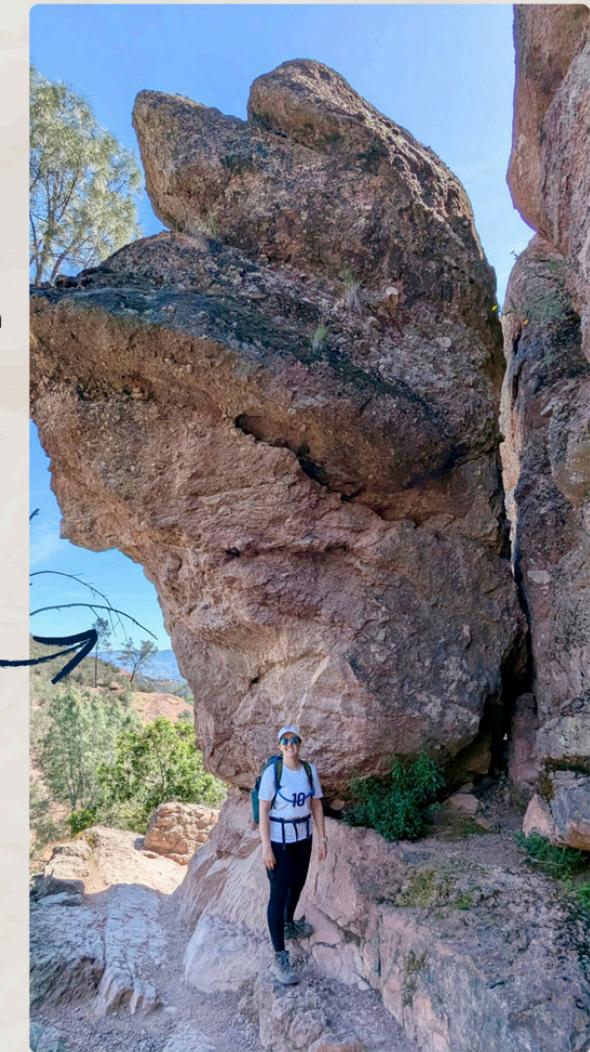
I love the **US Women's National Soccer Team**.

I love to **hike and explore** new places.

I know my way around the tool box and am **good at fixing things**.

I would **rather eat ham on Thanksgiving** than turkey.

I **love to watch sports** on tv and in person.



What I look forward to most about being a mom is **creating lasting memories as a family — sharing with them things I love**, like showing them Star Wars for the first time, taking them to our favorite places, introducing them to our favorite sports teams, while also discovering and exploring the things that make them light up. I **can't wait for the everyday moments** like family dinners, bedtime stories, adventures big and small, and the joy of watching a child grow into the person God created them to be.



Meet Tyler

by Allie

I have had the honor of being married to Tyler for almost 10 years. During that time, I have watched him grow in every aspect of his life. **He is a supportive husband, loyal friend, protective big brother, and loving son.** He is by far one of the most humble people I know. Despite having worked on Hollywood blockbusters, he rarely speaks about his talent or achievements.

One of my favorite things about Tyler is how intentional and thoughtful he is with his conversations. He has a delightful sense of humor and always has those around him filled with laughter. He is fully committed to everything he does, whether it's his work, his friendships, or our marriage. His quiet strength and big heart are a constant source of encouragement in my life. **He has truly taught me what unconditional love looks like.**

Tyler has a huge heart for children and youth, and his playful, patient spirit makes kids feel comfortable around him. He regularly mentors and teaches middle and high school students at our church, investing time, guidance, and encouragement into their lives. He is never afraid to get down to their level and interact with them where they are at. From letting them chase him around the house to reading them books before nap time, he truly enjoys spending time with all the kids in our lives. **He makes every child feel seen and valued, which is one of the many reasons I know he will be an incredible father.** I feel so blessed to walk through life with him.



The thing I'm most looking forward to about being a father is **sharing the traditions** and **strong sense of family** with my child. From the little things, like decorating the Christmas tree and watching the movies I grew up with, to visiting our family and going on trips with them, all of these things help strengthen the community around them and make them feel loved. Our nieces, nephew, and cousins cannot wait to **accept them into our family** and **spend quality** time with them.



fun facts

Born: Fairfax, Virginia

Degree: Bachelor's in Visual Effects from Savannah College of Art and Design

Job: Software Engineer



The **Lord of the Rings** movies are the best movies of all time.

I love **pinball machines** and **old-school arcade** games.

Super Duper Burger is the home to my favorite cheeseburgers.

My favorite movie favorite soundtrack to listen to is **Interstellar**.

I love to **attend sporting events** in the Bay Area.

I **played lacrosse** from 2nd grade into college.

I love **spaghetti and garlic bread**.

Turkey legs are **my go-to snack** at Disneyland.

Meet our Cat finn



Allie calls Finn the **best \$100 she ever spent**. Twelve years ago, Allie adopted Finn from a small pet store in Statesboro, Georgia. Tyler later married into the relationship (after Finn's approval), and the three of us have been a family ever since. **He is the most social cat you will ever meet.**

Over the years, he has learned to feel at home wherever we go and with whoever we meet—an adaptability we know will help him embrace a child joining our family. **Finn loves sitting in the middle of large groups of people**, playing catch with paper balls, and taking long naps with his favorite humans. We love to spoil him with big kisses on the cheek, lots of treats, and naps on a sleepy Sunday afternoon.



WHY ADOPTION?

Adoption has always been on our hearts, and from early on in our relationship, we knew it might one day be part of our journey to grow our family. A few years ago, Allie faced a series of medical issues, and we navigated that challenging time together, supporting each other through the uncertainty. Thankfully, Allie is doing well now, but we learned she has an extremely rare congenital condition that would make having biological children very difficult. While that news was hard to receive, it also **gave us clarity and peace** about the path God was leading us toward.

We have always loved children and make it a priority to **engage with, encourage, and invest in the lives of the kids around us**; our nieces, nephews, and friends' children bring us so much joy. The joy of running around playing with them, reading to them, and hearing what they have to say reminds us that we are ready to take the next step in expanding our own family.

For us, adoption is that step, and **we are excited to expand our family in this way**. We cannot wait to start pouring our hearts into their lives and be present and involved parents who love them for who God made them to be.



Meet Our Families



TYLER'S FAMILY

I feel **incredibly blessed** to have grown up with two wonderful parents, Dave and Denice, as well as my younger sisters, Paige and Ashley. Growing up, my siblings and I spent a lot of quality time together, enjoying family trips to the beach, our grandparents' lake house, and attending each other's sporting events.

Paige and her husband, Ryan, have three sweet children—Ava, Audrey, and baby Jack—who bring so much joy and energy to family gatherings. Ashley recently married Riley, and together they are pursuing their callings—Ashley in student outreach and Riley in seminary training to become a pastor. We make a concerted effort to visit them a few times a year and communicate regularly, as it is **very important to us to stay connected with them** and keep them a part of our lives.

I also have many cousins around our age, all of whom now have families of their own. We have always shared a strong bond with them, and we enjoy connecting with them at reunions, seeing them on holidays, and visiting their homes in Virginia. Our relationships with both our immediate and extended families are significant to us, and we **can't wait to share that same love and togetherness with children of our own**.



ALLIE'S FAMILY

I am very fortunate to have loving parents, Terrie and Chris. As an only child, I have always had a small but **close-knit family**, which made our bond strong and full of support. My parents made sure to always show up to every play, spelling bee, track meet, or softball game that I was in. To this day, they continue to show up for both of us through weekly conversations or visits to the West Coast.

They share in our love for sports, cheering on the **Clemson Tigers, Pittsburgh Steelers, and Penguins**, whom I have been raised to love since I was a child. They also share our love for all things Disney, and the four of us have embarked on multiple trips to Disneyland and Disney World together over the years. We also love to go to Top Golf, attend trivia nights, and check out the local breweries with them.

They remain close to us, and they share in the excitement of this new chapter in our lives. **Their encouragement and love mean so much to us**, and we know that their support will be a wonderful part of raising a child in a family full of care, laughter, and connection.

OUR TRADITIONS

- Going to the **movies** on **Christmas Day**
- Hosting a **Halloween Pumpkin Carving Party**
- Family reunions in the **Outer Banks**
- New Years Day **hike**
- Annual trip to **Disneyland**





We feel blessed to call California's **Bay Area** our home, a place where we are surrounded by so much beauty and variety. Within a short drive, we can explore the mountains, forests, ocean, and city, which gives us endless opportunities for adventure. We live in a three-bedroom, three-bath home in a quiet community that is **safe and filled with other families**.

One of our favorite things to do is host friends and family for fun gatherings. From casual dinners to board game nights, **pumpkin carving parties** to movie marathons, we love when our home is filled with joy and laughter. Our home is not only a cozy, comfortable space for us, but also a place we envision filling with love and the joy of raising a child. We love living here, and plan to stay in the area as the location and support system we have built up will **provide us with what we need as we seek to expand our family**.



Since moving to California, we have prioritized building quality friendships. As transplants, we've surrounded ourselves with a **diverse and supportive group of people who are truly an extension of our own family**. Our friends celebrate with us in joyful seasons and walk alongside us during challenges, always ready to offer love, encouragement, and support.

Together, we share so many fun experiences — from trivia nights and going to the movies, to hiking in the beautiful Bay Area and engaging in long conversations over dinner. We make sure to be **very intentional about our friendships and work hard to cultivate lasting relationships**. Whether it is helping someone move, taking care of a pet, holding a baby, or playing with a child to give the parents a break, our community always shows up, which gives us confidence to enter this next phase of life.

Over the years, we have had the joy of watching as our friends have welcomed their own children. We've enjoyed joining in their lives—going to local parks, playing sports, and just spending time together in everyday moments. We hope these experiences allow us to form strong, lasting relationships with their kids. Our entire community is just as excited as we are about this next part of our journey, and **we know they will play a special role in the life of our future child**.





OPENNESS TO BIRTH-PARENTS

We know that pregnancy and childbirth require incredible strength, and while we may never walk that path ourselves, we want to support you in every way we can. **When it comes to openness, we believe the choice should rest with you.**

If you desire regular updates through texts, pictures, or video calls, we would be honored to share those with you. If you feel more comfortable with less frequent communication, we will honor that as well.

Our commitment is to meet you where you are, without judgment, and to maintain the level of connection that feels right for you. You are **entrusting us with the greatest gift we could ever receive**, and we want our relationship to reflect both gratitude and respect for the role you play in your child's life.

OUR JOBS

After Tyler received his degree, he spent **10 years in the film and television industry**, working on projects like *Avengers: Infinity War*, *The Outer Banks*, and *Twisters*. Today, he applies the same artistic, technical, and problem-solving skills in the tech world, focusing on programming autonomous vehicles.

Allie works as an Athletic Trainer in a physical therapy clinic, where she **helps patients of all ages recover from injuries** and return to the activities they love.

Both of our jobs are very flexible, with Tyler being able to work from home and Allie working part-time and controlling her own schedule. We intend to use this flexibility to our advantage as we welcome a child into our family. While childcare is always an option in the future, **we value being present with our child** and plan to be in their lives as much as possible.



INTERESTS & EDUCATION

We plan on pouring into our child's hobbies and interests. Both of us grew up with parents who **encouraged us to explore our interests outside of school**. Tyler was supported in pursuing film, programming, and computer graphics during high school, which opened the door to his career in the film industry. Allie, on the other hand, found her passion for helping others as a student athletic trainer during high school and into college, which grew into her career today.

We were also blessed with parents who made education a priority from the very beginning, sending us to private Christian schools where we received both a strong academic and Biblical foundation. At the same time, **we recognize that every child is unique**, and we are committed to choosing the path—private, public, Christian, or not—that best fits their needs and gifts. We also plan to fully fund their college education, should they choose to pursue it, so they can follow their passions.



HOPES & DREAMS

Having grown up seeing the value of a supportive and connected family, we plan on adding **two total children** to our family. We feel that having two children achieves the close sibling relationship we want our family to have, while keeping it to a size where we can be fully present and engaged in their lives.

We desire to continue to deepen our roots in our current community. **This place and these people are our home**, and we hope to stay in California for many years to come. While we are currently blessed with a wonderful home, we dream of one day moving to a larger space that can grow with our family.

We dream of sharing the world with our child—traveling together to visit family, returning to our favorite vacation spots, and discovering new places side by side. We want them to grow up surrounded by both familiar traditions and new experiences. Whether it's revisiting our favorite places like Disneyland, Monterey Bay, Toronto, or the Outer Banks, or exploring places we've never been to before, like New Zealand and Greece, **we hope to create plenty of memories for them** throughout their childhood.



In Closing

Thank you for taking the time to read our profile. We hope this has given you a glimpse into our lives and the kind of home your child would grow up in with us. We promise to love them unconditionally, pour our hearts into their life, and raise them in a home filled with laughter, encouragement, and faith.

We promise to provide them with stability, opportunity, and unconditional acceptance as they grow up. Most importantly, we will never stop reminding them how loved they are, not only by us, but by you. Your courage and love will always be honored as part of their story, and we will make sure they never forget that truth. You are not alone in this journey. We will be praying for you and asking God to surround you with peace and strength in the days ahead.



For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.
Jeremiah 29:11