

Dan & Katy





Hiking in Sedona, AZ



Weekend Dance Competition



LaCrosse, WI



**HI! THANKS FOR
OPENING OUR BOOK.**



Hello, mama!

WE ARE DAN AND KATY.

We are Dan and Katy, and we live in a small, middle-ish Wisconsin city with our 11-year-old daughter, Charlotte. She's a total goofball—and so are we. Our home is full of laughter, and we are so excited about the possibility of welcoming a baby into our family to love, nurture, and grow alongside us.

We have always dreamed of having a larger family. After experiencing infertility and miscarriage, we decided to explore adoption more intentionally. It had always been something on our hearts, and now feels like the right time in our lives to pursue this path toward growing our family.

Becoming parents has changed us in the best ways and brought so much purpose, joy, and love into our lives. But this journey isn't just about us—it's about finding the right family for your child. **We have so much love to give and promise a home filled with warmth, laughter, support, and endless possibilities, if you feel we might be the right fit.**

Here's a little more about who we are, along with some snapshots from our everyday life. We'll try not to make it too boring. We truly look forward to learning more about you, too.

with love,

DAN + KATY



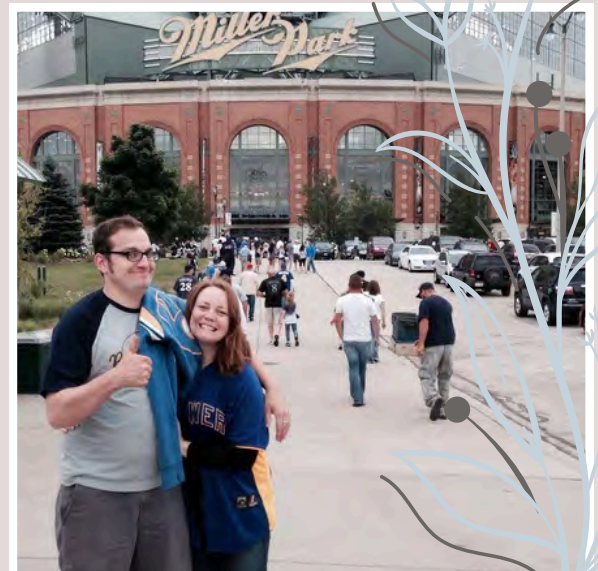
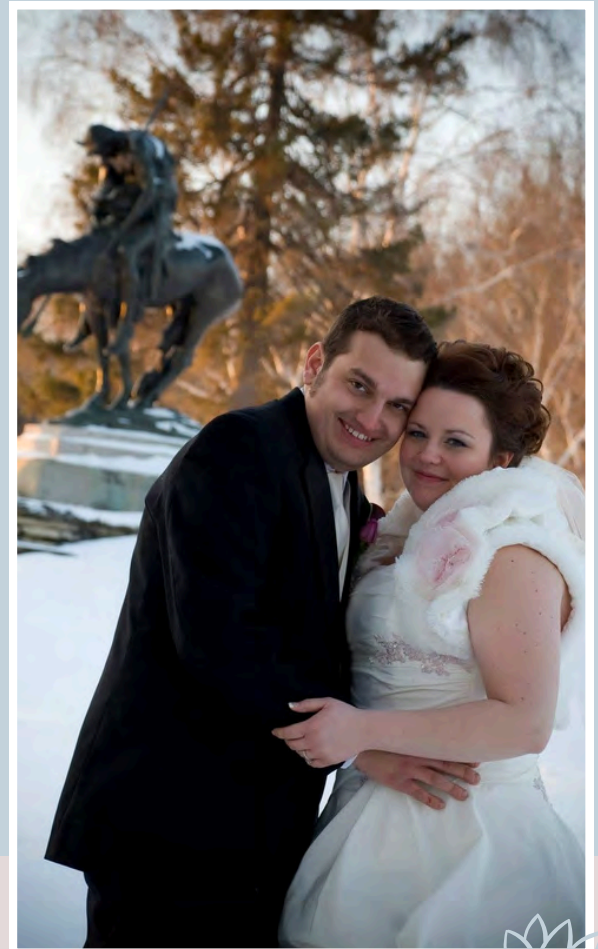
Green Bay Packer Playoff Game



Our story

COWORKERS TO FRIENDS TO LOVE

We met as teenagers working at the grocery store Dan's dad managed, and after becoming friends first, fell in love. We've been together now for 23 years and married for 16, which has really flown by. We spent the first 5 years of our relationship separated at different colleges, and don't take for granted getting to see each other every day. Surprisingly we're still not sick of each other - ha! - and are very much in love. We're each other's favorite person to hang out with, and always make each other laugh.

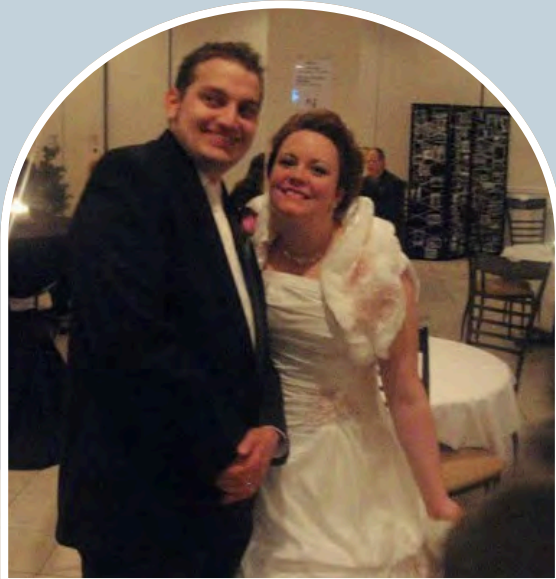


About our little family



We are a pretty laid back family, love to laugh and are all **excited to open our hearts to another child** (Charlotte was over the moon when we told her our plans).

Spending quality time together is something we truly value. We love to travel and make it a priority to take one big trip each year, along with lots of smaller adventures along the way – visiting museums and zoos, exploring new places, or heading out for a hike. Family is incredibly important to us, and we make every effort to see and spend time with our loved ones as often as possible. We can't wait to welcome a new child into this mix and share all of these experiences together.



FAMILY FAVORITES

- Family game nights with the kiddo
- Hosting our extended family and friends for dinner - sometimes with a theme (Katy loves to cook!),
- Going for walks or bike rides around our neighborhood
- Relaxing at night watching TV together to make us laugh
- Having the family over during football season to watch the Packer game



OUR FAMILY MOTTO:
"THE MOST IMPORTANT
THING IS TO BE KIND."



Myrtle Beach 2025

meet **Katy**

Katy is an optimist by nature and doesn't take life too too seriously. She loves to cook, walk with the dogs, binge a good TV show, read, travel and spend time with her close friends & family - pretty standard introvert stuff.

She's worked in marketing for 17+ years, and now works remote from home for a marketing agency. Work has always been a great challenging, creative outlet and she's been fortunate to work from home the last 5 years, being available to attend school events, volunteer with the PTO, do school drop-off and be there to hug Charlotte when she gets home from school. She can't wait to do all of that for a future kiddo too, along with reading all the bedtime stories, watching them learn about & explore the world, and seeing who they become.

MY FAVORITES

TV show: Grey's Anatomy is my go-to comfort show

Family game: Clue

Family vacation: Sedona + Disney

Food to make: Guacamole, Chicken Pot Pie or cookies



MY HOBBIES

- Reading romance, historical fiction, or a meaty thriller
- Cooking or baking something new
- Seeing live theater
- Becoming a plant lady
- Watching the sunrise during my morning walk with the doggos



**WHAT DAN SAYS
ABOUT KATY:**

“Katy is my best friend and the most loving mother to our daughter Charlotte. She’s the planner of our fun adventures, makes me smile every day, and will be the best mom again to a future baby.”

**WHAT CHARLOTTE
SAYS ABOUT
HER MOM:**

“She’s kind and understanding, funny, and loves to play games with me.”



meet
Dan

Dan is a quiet, very kind and patient person who enjoys the simple moments in life. He's always been a very hard worker, managing grocery stores for 15+ years, and has a deep sense of responsibility to his work and family.

Dan's a diehard Green Bay Packer fan - Sundays in the fall are reserved for football. He studied art in college, and his talent shines when doodling funny pictures with Charlotte. He's the best husband, son, brother and especially DAD, and can't wait to become a daddy again.



MY FAVORITES

TV Show: It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia
(it's a close 2nd for Katy!)

Family Game: UNO

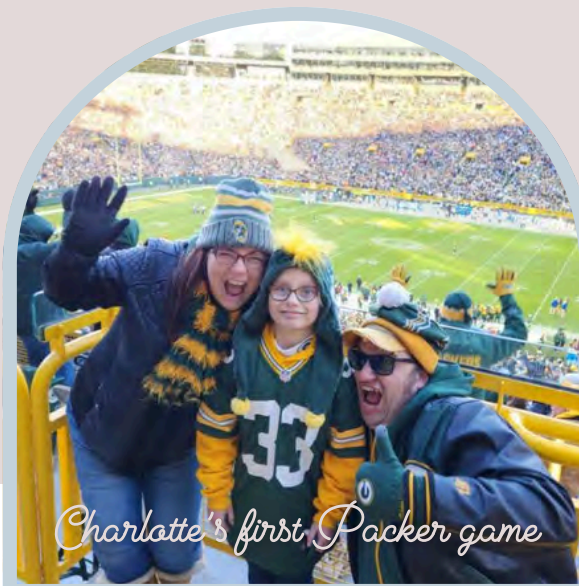
Family vacation: Door County or the beach

Food: Poutine = French fries + gravy +
cheese curds!

MY HOBBIES

- Anything to do with Green Bay Packer football
- Drawing, particularly silly doodles for Charlotte
- Hiking, especially in Sedona!
- Being a dance dad

In New York for a cousin's wedding



Charlotte's first Packer game

**WHAT KATY SAYS
ABOUT DAN:**

“What drew me to Dan the most was his sense of humor. He still makes me laugh every day, and now makes Charlotte laugh constantly too (which makes me laugh some more). I think we’ve both kept our childhood goofiness and are still very much in love. I couldn’t imagine living life & raising children with anyone else.”



**WHAT CHARLOTTE
SAYS ABOUT
HER DAD:**

“He’s really really silly, kind, and my favorite thing to do with him is draw silly pictures and jam out to weird music.”





MEET OUR
KIDDO



MEET CHARLOTTE



CHARLOTTE'S FAVES

Show: SpongeBob Squarepants

Animals: Cat, Elephant, Hedgehog

Family game: Ransom Notes

Vacation: Disney or Myrtle Beach

Singer: Taylor Swift

Our daughter, Charlotte, is pure joy. She makes us laugh daily with her goofy sense of humor...that she got straight from her parents. She is 11 years old and is excelling in the fifth grade.

Charlotte is obsessed with cats and elephants, loves to dance and devours books. Charlotte's also going to be an amazing big sister. We're excited to see her step into the role and know she would love her younger sibling so much.

She dreams of being a teacher someday, being inspired by the amazing teachers she's had as well as her two aunts (Dan's older and youngest sisters) who are teachers. But on the side she wants to be an artist and author. She's always creating something, whether it be a drawing or sculpting a new toy out of random things she finds.

Our motto we've tried to instill in her is the most important thing is to be kind, and we see that in her every day as she strives to spread kindness and make others smile.



Meet our pups

Chancho & Cheddar

We are staunch dog people and after losing our best bud Snarf (a 12-year-old corgi you'll see pop up in a few of these photos) in late 2023, we adopted two corgi brothers, Chancho and Cheddar. They're now two years old, a little sassy but mostly sweet and really fun. Charlotte's really bonded with them and it gives us a glimpse of her as a sister.





WELCOME TO our home.

We live in the small town we both grew up in, and bought a house in a quiet, safe neighborhood 5 years ago. We've made it a cozy home and love hosting friends and family here. There are a lot of kids on the street, and it's been great for Charlotte to run around with her neighborhood friends.

We're excited to take a future child to the park down the street, explore & garden in our backyard with them and build forts in the basement playroom.



We both only left our hometown for college, preferring to be back home close to our parents and siblings - and because it really was a great town to grow up in! Our town has a festival each summer and other city activities throughout the year, the schools have been nothing but supportive and a great learning environment, and we live near several great parks. We're really happy with our decision to raise Charlotte here and know our future child would thrive here as well.

OUR SUPPORT SYSTEM

MEET OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS

We both grew up in bigger families - Dan with three sisters (one older, two younger) and Katy with a younger sister and brother. We're both grateful to have grown up with siblings and still be close with them, and we wanted that for Charlotte too.

Dan's older sister and brother-in-law have two kids - our niece and nephew - and as soon as they were born, we were itching to grow our own family. We love those kids.

We are super lucky to live in the same town as both sets of our parents - we see them at least once a week. They're the type of grandparents who will spend hours crafting, playing school, setting up elaborate "elf hunts" in the backyard and are a great support system to have close by.





Our siblings all live within an hour of us - Katy's sister & brother-in-law are right in town - and we're a close knit bunch. We get together a lot for family birthdays, cookouts, game nights, etc. We've also grown up with our close group of friends since high school, and they now have kids in all stages of life who feel like bonus nieces & nephews for us.

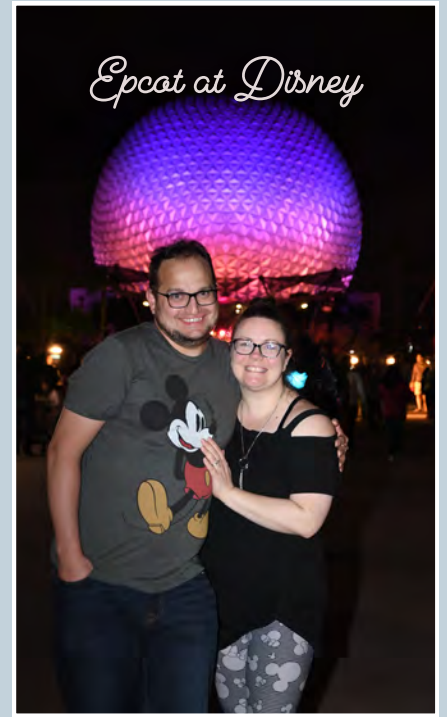
Both our siblings and friends are thrilled to be aunts & uncles (and honorary aunts & uncles) again and will be an excellent support system when we welcome a new child into the family.



*Hiking in
Phoenix, AZ*



*Lavender field in
Dear County, WI*



Epcot at Disney

Our adventures

We love a good family adventure! Whether it's taking walks on the marsh boardwalk just outside of town to see how many animals we can spot, going to sporting events, day trips to the zoo or a museum or vacation out of state we try to take as many family adventures as we can. In these pics you'll see our family vacations to Arizona and Disney, a trip to Chicago and cheering on the Milwaukee Brewers. We can't wait to make more memories like this as a family of four.



*Disney
Magic Kingdom*



*Brewer's
Baseball Game*



OUR FAVE TRIPS

Disney World

Universal Studios

Sedona, AZ

Myrtle Beach, SC

Door County, WI

Downtown Chicago



FUTURE TRIPS

Back to Door County

Another beach trip

Europe someday!

Disney again with our

future kiddo



We're excited for this next chapter for our family and to bring another child into our crazy, silly, loving home.



Family Harry Potter Halloween Costumes



"The Bear" in Downtown Chicago



Inside Out 2 at the movies

Before you go,

THIS IS OUR PROMISE TO YOU.

Thank you for learning about our family. We can't imagine how hard it must be considering this decision for your family, and we admire your strength and bravery. We know you didn't come to this decision lightly. We would be so grateful if you would consider us to raise your child and are happy to answer any questions you may have. We are seeking an open adoption, and are open to regularly sharing updates & pictures, as well as visiting a few times a year in-person, working together to build a relationship that you are comfortable with. We will commit to this relationship with you, which will help us all in raising our child in the most supportive way possible. **Your child would know the mother who carried them and loved them first.** We would raise them knowing, and being proud of their adoption story, and biological family.

We promise to love your child unconditionally and support them in whoever they grow up to be.

We promise to add as much joy, fun, and love to their lives as possible, as we know they would add that to ours.

We promise to tell your child about your love for them, to always speak highly of you, and to tell them their story often.

Thank you for learning about our family. We wish you peace and a smooth pregnancy.

with love,

DAN + KATY





thank you!