

Greetings from Archer Lodge, North Carolina



We're Dawn & Jonathan

We can't imagine what it's like to make the brave decision you're considering. Our respect and admiration for you is immense. We value the openness and caring involved with open adoption and look forward to developing an ongoing relationship with you. We'd also love to get to know you and your hopes for the future, in the way that is most comfortable for you. We'd be honored to welcome you into our family and will forever cherish you for your courage and selflessness.

With Affection and Respect,

Jonathan & Dawn Garrison

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About Us

We met as students at the University of Florida. We were introduced through friends and from the moment we met, we had instant chemistry! We fell in love and have been happily married for over 10 years. We've been blessed ever since and look forward to sharing our love with a little one!

We work in the software industry and love the flexibility our jobs allow. We'll enjoy taking some time from work to spend with our little one. From attending after-school activities to taking adventurous trips to the park, we're excited about sharing special moments with our child!



Taking a walk with our nephew, Joshua



Jonathan taking aim during a session of archery

Our Home

We live in a wonderful place called Archer Lodge, close to the capital city of Raleigh. Our community is rural, with lots of blue skies and fresh air. The people are warm, family-friendly and excited about meeting our child. We also have several parks nearby. It will be fun to take trips there to explore nature with our little one. The schools are excellent and there are lots of children for our child to make friends with! Every July 4th, Archer Lodge hosts a day of family fun, including a big parade, with floats and a marching band. We can't wait to see our little one's excitement as we watch the fireworks from our front yard! We also have a playful cat, Pippin. He's happy about having a new friend to snuggle with!



Dawn performing at a Bollywood dance recital



Our neighborhood kids love to play games with Jonathan

Our Family

Our family is close, loving, and fully supports our open adoption plans. Dawn's mother and father live in Florida and we visit them often. They look forward to taking walks on the beach with their grandchild! Dawn has a younger sister who lives in New York with her husband. Aunt Kelly and Uncle Thomas will love visiting the Empire State Building with their niece or nephew!

Jonathan's parents in Virginia look forward to moving to North Carolina, to be closer to their grandchildren. Jonathan's mother, who has worked with children, can't wait to share her love and wisdom in helping care for a baby. Trips to the park or library for story time are just some of the things Jonathan's mom looks forward to doing with our child! Jonathan's dad loves car racing and is excited about taking his little grandchild to a race. Our nephew, Joshua, lives ten minutes away and can't wait to meet his little cousin! He'll enjoy having a playmate! Everyone is excited to welcome a little one into the family!



Dawn and her cousins, Victoria and Chelsea, play "hair dresser"



Uncle Jonathan helps Joshua pick out a book

Dawn through Jonathan's Eyes

People tell stories about love at first sight, and I used to think they were silly, until I met Dawn. What I admire most is her ability to see the best in people. She is encouraging and insightful. The loving patience she demonstrates with our nephew, Joshua, shows me what an amazing mother Dawn will be. Whether it's baking cookies or making Thanksgiving dinner, Dawn loves to help others. Dawn is an amazing woman, loving wife and will make an incredible mother.

Jonathan through Dawn's Eyes

What drew me to Jonathan when we met are the same things that keep me close to him today. Jonathan has a caring and compassionate attitude, especially toward children. One of the things I love about Jonathan is his sense of humor. He knows how to make everyone around him laugh! Jonathan has a passion for teaching and learning, traits good fathers should have. I look forward to the special moments Jonathan will have with our child, from reading bedtime stories, to roasting marshmallows over a campfire. He will make a fun and loving dad!



Uncle Jonathan and Joshua give the State Fair a thumbs up!



Joshua loves to bake cookies with Aunt Dawn

Wishing You the Best

Thanks so much for taking the time to read our letter! We know you have a lot to think about and we wish you all the best on this journey. We admire your strength and would be honored to get to know you. We look forward to welcoming you into our family and can't wait to hear from you!

With Warm Regards,

Jonathan & Dawn Garrison

Things We Enjoy

We love reading and want to share with our child the wonderful stories that influenced us growing up. We can't wait to see our child's eyes light up while reading about Charlie's adventures in the Chocolate Factory. We'll also love to share giggles with our little one from reading Dr. Seuss!

Dawn loves to cross stitch and she's excited about teaching our child how much fun it is! There's no doubt she and our child will work together on a special piece someday. Dawn also likes to bake cookies and looks forward to having a young assistant to help mix the batter and lick the spoons!

Jonathan enjoys astronomy and will be thrilled to introduce our child to the wonders of the night sky. The joy of sharing that first glimpse of Saturn's rings through a telescope with our child is something he can hardly wait for! We are both active in our church, which is like our extended family. We can imagine teaching our child in Sunday School or seeing him or her singing in the children's choir with the other kids. Every day will be a fun, new adventure with our child!



Uncle Jonathan shows Joshua how to work the telescope

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