

# Tim and Vanessa





**Tim**



**Vanessa**

**Favorite Color**

Blue

Lime Green

**Zodiac Sign**

Taurus

Aquarius

**Favorite Ice Cream Flavor**

Black Raspberry

Chocolate Peanut Butter Cup

**Favorite Movie**

Cady Shack

Dirty Dancing

**Favorite Holiday**

Christmas

Easter

**Favorite Hobby**

Fishing

Knitting

**Favorite Rainy Day Activity**

Watching Movies

Baking

**Favorite Family Memory**

First Trip to Disney

Easter Egg Hunts with Cousins

**Favorite City**

San Francisco

New Orleans

**Cake or Pie**

Pie

Cake

**Favorite Season**

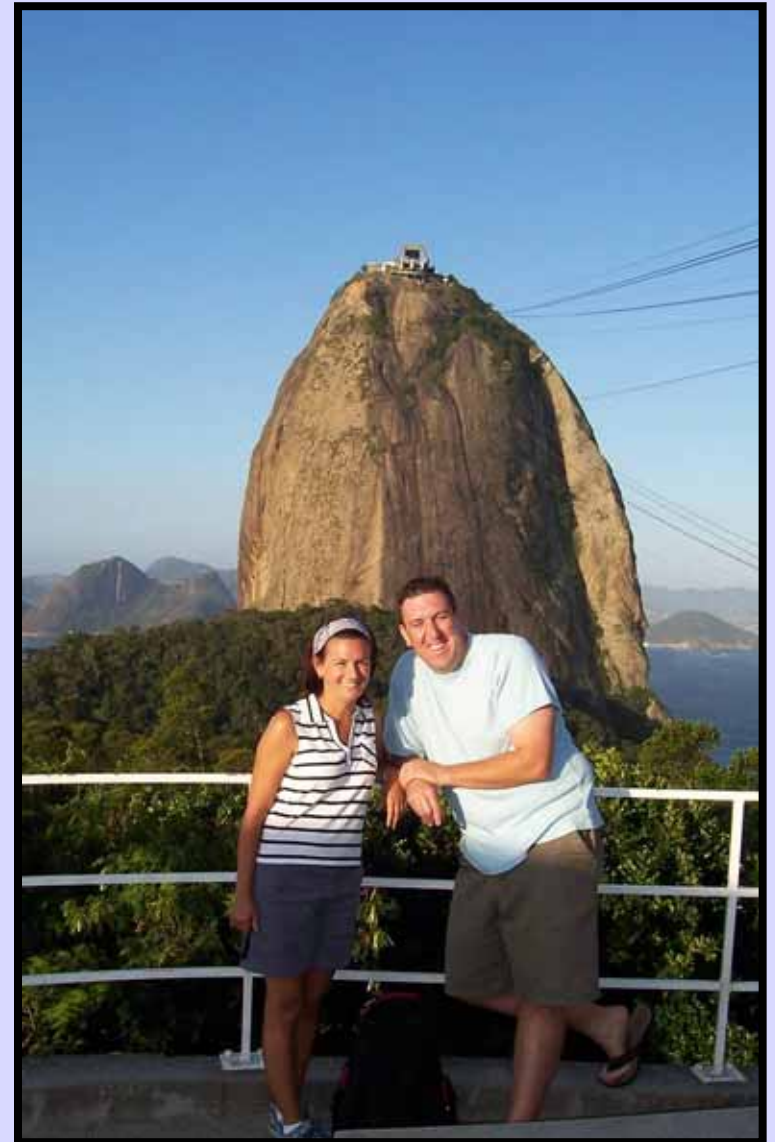
Fall

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Dear Birth Family,

Our names are Tim and Vanessa and we are excited to be writing this letter. Our excitement stems from the fact that we are one final step from starting a family. The decision you have made in placing your child for adoption is admirable but, it must have been both difficult and stressful. Because we look to the joy and bright spots in life, we hope that you are able to take from this letter comfort in knowing that your child will be raised in a loving, compassionate, open, and last but not least, fun family.

We have always known that having a family and celebrating the life of a child was in our future. After several years of trying to conceive we have come to the realization that we cannot achieve this dream through traditional child birth and that adoption was meant for us. Vanessa is reliable, nurturing, loving and easy going; while Tim is generous, outgoing, affectionate and driven. We value family, education, religion and our friends. These individual characteristics and shared values are the foundation to our relationship and incorporating them into our parenting will enable your child to grow and develop as an individual.



## How We Met and Who We Are

While in college, we met through a mutual friend and are approaching our 11th anniversary. Our time together has been spent building a strong marital foundation which is integral to our greater sense of family. We have many of the same interests such as hiking, gardening and

travel but also recognize each other's need to pursue individual hobbies and interests. Although our goals are similar, decisions are not unilateral, we work together to achieve them and are not afraid to disagree.



# Tim

Tim has a bachelor's degree in environmental science and presently works for a renewable energy company. His interests include most outdoor activities (hiking, fishing, skiing, golfing) which fit well with his career choice. Although his job is demanding he always makes time for his family.



Fishing in the Adirondacks  
Nice Bass!

# Vanessa

Vanessa has two associate degrees, culinary arts and hotel restaurant management. Although Vanessa spent several years working in the hospitality industry, she realized that the hours required did not allow her to be with family on nights and weekends and this was not conducive to raising a child. In anticipation of starting a family, Vanessa has re-routed her career to a more flexible office environment so that she can be the mother that she has always dreamed of. A favorite past-time of Vanessa's is baking; it is not uncommon to have the smells of fresh baked goods in the home especially around the holidays.



Vanessa and Niece Lily  
Curls Anyone?

# Gunner

Another family member we want to introduce is our beagle Gunner. He has been with us for ten years and is the most loving and docile pet a family could ask for. Gunner is the local celebrity and receives daily visits from the neighborhood children and the occasional treat from the mail lady.



Gunner Enjoying the Winter Snow



# Our Home



We have been living in the same upstate New York home for nine years and have spent much of this time remodeling and making it ours with a family in mind. Our house is located on a double lot in a residential neighborhood.

We enjoy the neighborhood feeling; the friendly families, close proximity to parks and schools, convenient shopping and other amenities. One of the things we enjoy most and brings a real sense of community, is when the neighborhood children play within our oversized yard.

# Travel

Something that we look forward to sharing with a child is our love of travel. Being able to see, learn and experience new things together has been wonderful. Whether a night away or an extended stay, we want to be able to share these adventures with a child someday. We have seen many things in our travels but the most favorite trips have included travel with family.

A few of the more memorable trips have included time spent at the Jersey shore and Great Smokey Mountains with Vanessa's family and Cape Cod and Orlando with Tim's. Our most memorable trip was to Brazil, where we watched Tim's brother compete internationally for the USA.

Hiking in the Great Smokey Mountains



Exploring Rio

Family at the Great Smokey Mountains



# Our Families

We both come from moderate sized families, Tim the oldest of four and Vanessa the youngest of three. Two sets of grandparents and seven aunts and uncles are anxiously waiting to share their love with a new child. We especially look forward to family gatherings where we are able to spend time with Vanessa's nephews and Tim's nieces.



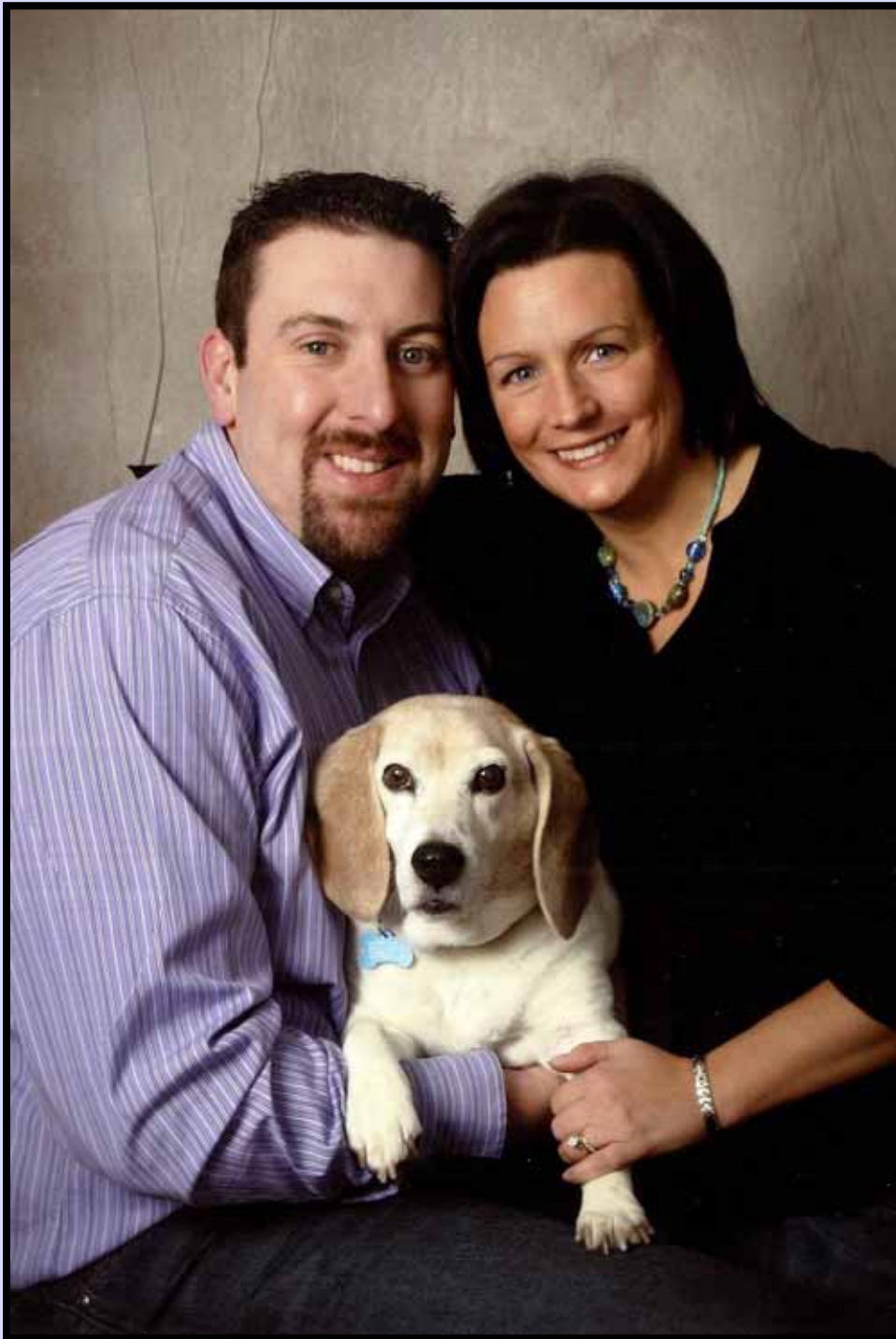
Tim's Family

Adding another cousin to the mix is very exciting to them. There is also an extended network of other family members such as great aunts, uncles and cousins that we try to visit several times a year.

We enjoy spending time with our families and although we don't live in the same cities, we all make the effort to gather many times a year. Holidays are some of our favorite times to visit and we make sure time is spent with everyone because family is important to us.



Vanessa's Family



This must be an overwhelming process for you, so we thank you for taking the time to read our profile and getting to know us. In return, we welcome the opportunity of getting to know you. By considering us as parents, we will be able to provide a loving home with every opportunity for your child to grow to his or her greatest potential. Your child will grow up knowing his or her heritage and be aware of the selfless act of love made by you. Should you wish to receive pictures and updates over the years we will happily provide them. We admire and respect your courage in choosing life for your baby, wish you well and hope that you find peace wherever your decision takes you.

With Warm Regards,

Tim and Vanessa