

Mirna and Paul



We are thrilled that you are looking through this special book we have prepared for you.

If you would like to talk with us, or have questions about us or about the adoption process, a member of "Adoption Alliance" can assist you. **You can reach them toll free by calling 1-800-626-4324.**

To Our Future Child's Birth Parent(s),

We are happy to have this chance to introduce ourselves to you. We are Mirna and Paul from New York, a happily married couple hoping to welcome our first child. We hope that you find us to be a good match for you and your baby. We want you to know, without even knowing "who" you are yet, we think about you often. We wonder what your name is, how you are feeling, and pray that you have support as you make decisions for you and your baby. Only you know which couple is "right" for your baby, and we imagine you will know instinctively when you have found them. We think highly of you and decisions you are making to give your baby the best life. We want to thank you for taking the time to read our profile.

We met through one of Paul's friends who attended high school with me. Growing up with strict Latino parents, our time together was very limited. Even with all the limitations, we fell in love. My parents felt it was too soon for a relationship, so I was sent away to a boarding school to focus on my education. After time, we grew apart and lost contact with each other.

Six years ago while attending college classes, Paul ran into my sister and our relationship was rekindled. After dating for 10 months, Paul proposed to me while on vacation in San Francisco. We were married in the Caribbean, on the island of Turks & Caicos with our immediate family attending. It was a perfect celebration of our love. We have been happily married for almost 4 years now and look forward to becoming first time parents!



Young and in love (Holding Paul's baby sister)



Where we got engaged

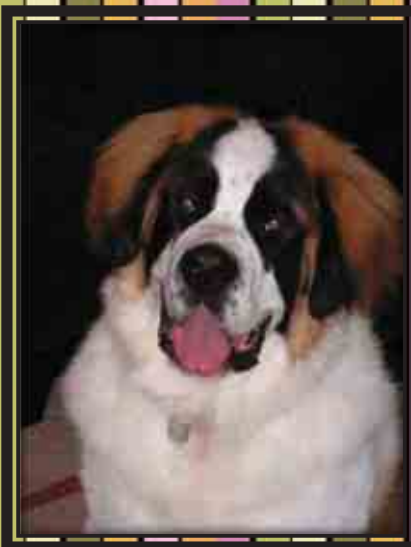




We knew we would have a hard time getting pregnant on our own because of a surgery that I had when I was younger. So after our first year of marriage we decided to start infertility treatments. After a few unsuccessful attempts and more testing, we learned that conceiving a child would not be possible for us. We had already discussed adoption as an option, so our decision was easy. We embrace adoption as the way our family will be formed.

***Do you want to be updated?** If you do, we can keep you posted and let you know how the baby is doing. Through letters, emails and photos – we can share our life with you. We realize that this is a personal choice and varies from one person to another. Whatever you decide –we'll respect it.*





Sweet "Riley" then and now

Our professional & personal lives - Paul has been working for a major transportation company for 17 years. He just recently received a promotion and now is the supervisor of his department. He really enjoys his job and loves the newly added responsibilities of his promotion. He is a hardworking man and easy to get along with. Paul likes to play video games, and enjoys football and baseball. He hopes to one day share his knowledge of sports and sportsmanship with our child and hopes to coach our future son or daughter's team.

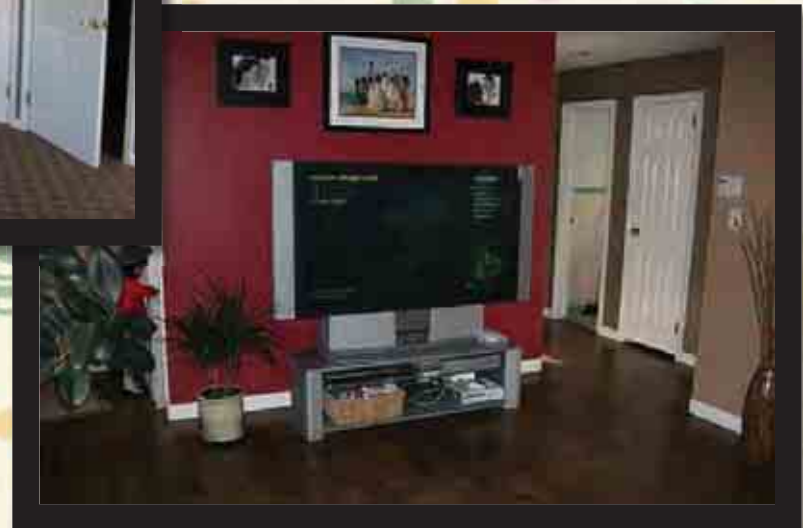
I'm a purchasing assistant for major financial institution. My company was rated one of the top companies for working moms, allowing flexible schedules and the ability to work from home. After the baby arrives I plan on taking three months off from work. When I return to work my mother will come to our house to care for the baby. We know that our baby will be in great hands, and benefit from the love and attention he/she will receive in "grandma's" care. In my free time I enjoy spending time with my family & friends and working out to stay fit. Additionally, I enjoy cooking, trying new recipes and taking care of our home.

How much is that doggy in the window?

We had no plans of getting a puppy until after we had kids, but we fell in love the minute we saw "Riley" and took him home that same day. Saint Bernard's have a reputation for being great with kids. He is terrific with our nieces and has such a loving temperament.



Our home has been in the family for 3 generations now. It is a spacious three-bedroom home. We have been renovating it one room at a time. The baby room was just redone and sits directly across from our bedroom. We look forward to decorating it in a special way for a baby boy or girl. Paul's mother lives downstairs in a roomy two-bedroom apartment. We live close to the town park; which has ball fields, play grounds, tennis courts and picnic areas. Our house is centrally located and we are near many great restaurants, shopping, library, doctors and schools. There are several young couples and families in our area. We couldn't think of a better place to raise a child.



In our family, there will never be a shortage of love and affection. This baby will be surrounded by love, encouragement and understanding - always.

We both come from loving supportive families.

- ***Paul*** is the oldest of his brother and sister. His brother Jimmy is married and has two children, Andrico (15) and Jocelyn (9). His sister, Marissa lives nearby with her daughter, Mya (3). Mya is the youngest in our family and lights up our lives, we enjoy spending time with her. In addition to our excitement about having a child, we are also thrilled that Mya and our child will be close in age and grow up together. Paul's mom, Evelyn, lives with us and is always willing to help out. She is excited to become a grandmother for a fourth time.
- ***Mirna*** I am also the oldest of my brother and sister, Moris & Eunice, twins. Our birthdays are only 10 months apart, we are really close. Moris was the first one to have a baby in our family, a daughter, Kelsey (13). My mother lives just 15 minutes away and comes over regularly to cook our favorite Spanish foods. My mother is a very religious woman, which will be helpful in the upbringing of our child.

Our friends will also play a part in the baby's life. All of our friends are new parents or have had children in the past 2 years. We spend a lot of time with them at dinners and on play dates with our nieces. We often sit and think about how much fun it will be to do these things when our little one arrives.



Let me call you Sweetheart

Paul talks about Mirna:

What can I say about my wife Mirna? From the moment I met her, I knew she was the one for me. She was not like any other girl I had known, she had a way about her that was loving and sincere. She would do anything to spend time with me. We talked about our desire to marry in the future and raise a family together. As time passed, our lives took us in different directions and we lost touch. I often thought about Mirna and wondered what she was doing, but never tried to find her in fear of rejection.

As fate would have it, our paths crossed again. We started dating and this time... I wasn't going to let her go. As you know, we are happily married and we are building a nice life together, the life we have always wanted. Mirna is a caring woman. She loves children, her family and friends. She would go out of her way for anyone, especially her family. She is warm and kind and a great person to talk to. She is a great cook and homemaker. I love my wife, and can't picture my life without her. She is my soul mate, my partner, best friend, and my greatest love. I feel blessed to have her as my wife; I know for certain that Mirna will be a wonderful mother.



"Life is not measured by the number of breaths you take, but by the number of moments that take your breath away."



love

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Let me call you Sweetheart I'm in love with you



"Grow old with me, the best is yet to be. "



Mirna talks about Paul:

I am CRAZY about my husband!! He was my first boyfriend and my one and only love. We have so much in common, but respect each other's individuality. Paul is one of the funniest people I have ever met. I love how adventurous he is, always willing to try new things. He is very caring, hardworking and a great provider. He is affectionate, strong, and a great husband. When we disagree, he is first one to squash it, reminding me that life is too short to waste time arguing over something silly. He is great with our nieces, which makes me love him even more because I can see what a great father he will be. I know that we were meant to be together and I couldn't picture my life without him. I can't wait to see him holding our new son or daughter, just thinking about it makes my heart smile.





Thank
You!



Our thoughts for our baby's future: We want our child to be confident, happy and well adjusted. We will help him/her navigate any obstacles that get in the way of their life goals. We believe in talking out problems, not physical reprimand. We will help our child understand right from wrong in an age appropriate way. We want to prepare them to be able to make smart choices in life and understand that all actions have consequences. We will provide the best education for our child and will always be there to help with homework and projects. We will be there to encourage and cheer for this child all through life. It is our goal to give this child a great life with many opportunities. It is very important to us that the baby speak and write Spanish. Since both of our mothers speak Spanish, this will be a simple task. We believe being bilingual will be advantageous for our child.

Thank you for considering us in your plans. We commend you for your selfless approach, and determination to give your baby a bright future. We hope that you think we are the perfect couple to raise your baby, but no matter who you choose, we wish you serenity in your life. We welcome the chance to answer any questions you might have for us, and we would love to have the opportunity to personally speak with you. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you in the coming weeks as you figure out what is best for you and your baby.

We have completed all the necessary steps required to adopt. We have been certified and are more than ready to welcome a child into our lives. If you would like to speak with us, or have questions, a caring, knowledgeable member of "Adoption Alliance" can help you. You can reach them toll free by calling **1-800-626-4324**.

Affectionately,

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