

# Hello!

## *We are Steve and Chelsea Tarin*



### *Dear Birth Mom,*

Thank you for making the selfless and loving decision to offer your child the gift of adoption. We appreciate you giving us this opportunity to introduce ourselves and consider us as adoptive parents. Adoption was on our hearts before we even got married. We have both always felt a calling to be parents, and started trying to have biological children in 2017. After almost a year of trying to get pregnant, we sought out fertility specialists and found out that we could not conceive children naturally. After many prayerful conversations, we know that now is the perfect time to become adoptive parents. We have been praying for you and your baby for years now. We will be happy to welcome you and your child into our family with open arms and loving hearts.

### *Love Story*

We met in 2010 at the University of Arizona, Steve's college, where he was roommates with Chelsea's brother. Chelsea's mom was the first to suggest that she meet Steve. (Mother-in-law approval... check!) Since Chelsea went to Gonzaga University in Washington, we didn't date until we both graduated. Chelsea knew that Steve was "the one" when she realized she was having dreams about Steve before they ever went on their first date, which was in 2011 at the Orange County Fair. Steve proposed in Las Vegas in 2015, and we were married at St. Edwards Church in Dana Point in 2016.

### *Growing Up*

Chelsea was born in Baltimore, Maryland while her parents were working in Washington DC as Secret Service agents. There were always babysitters and nannies at home to take care of Chelsea and her three siblings while her parents worked long hours, instilling in her a desire to eventually be a stay-at-home mom. Her parents retired relatively young, so Chelsea was lucky enough to travel a lot as a child. She has been to over 50 countries and would love to share her love of travel and adventure with her own children.

Steve was born and raised in Southern California. His dad was the Director of Police Services in Santa Fe Springs, instilling an early value and respect for first responders. His mom was a house appraiser, but stayed home to take care of Steve and his younger brother when they were born. Steve was lucky enough to be raised near extended family, so he spent a lot of time with his cousins, aunts, and uncles growing up.

### *About Steve from Chelsea*

Steve is the biggest sweetheart. He has a tough exterior and is intimidating due to his size and career as a Deputy Sheriff; however, he will do anything to protect those he loves. He is very logical and level-headed and is great with kids. He even helps kids in the community celebrate their birthdays by driving by in his patrol vehicle. Steve will be an amazing father because of his patience, trust, selflessness, loyalty, and ability to be goofy and fun.

### *About Chelsea from Steve*

Chelsea is the most loving, kind, and thoughtful person I have ever met. She is always doing things to improve the lives of others around her without any outside influence, such as making care packages for the homeless and baking cookies and breads for the neighbors. There is one thing that Chelsea has always wanted to be, and that is a mother. Chelsea is an amazing teacher; the only thing I could see her being better at than teaching is being a mother.



## *Childcare Plan*

Once we are parents, we will both take as much time off work as possible to bond with your child. Steve works a “flex 40” and sets his own work hours, so he can be present and not miss any milestones. Chelsea will work part-time at her school to have as much time with the baby as possible.

All four grandparents live nearby and are ecstatic to provide childcare as necessary. Your child will have many loving aunts, uncles and cousins to play with! There are seventeen nieces and nephews in the family so far, and everybody is excited to welcome and spoil our kids.

## *Faith Life*

Chelsea works at St. Edwards School, which is on the campus of the church in which we got married. We regularly attend mass on Sundays and pray before meals.

Our faith has always been an important part of our lives, but we have grown deeper in faith through our infertility struggles. Though we didn’t anticipate this when we got married, luckily, we have grown together instead of apart. It has helped us become more vulnerable with one another and led to a deeper prayer life with one another.



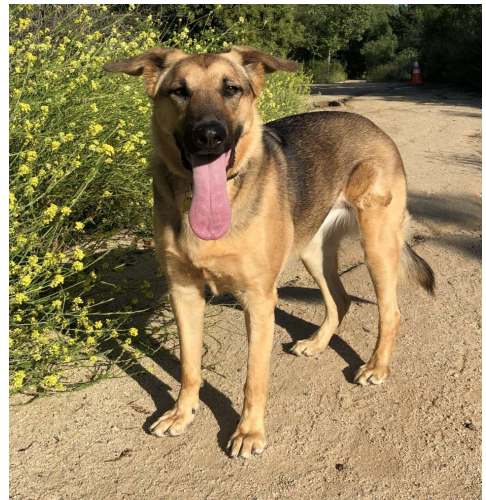
## *A Day in the Life*

We enjoy spending quality time together, so on days off, we usually go out for breakfast and coffee in San Juan Capistrano and walk around town with our dog, Justice. In the evenings, we enjoy playing board games and watching movies together.

On weekends, we try to spend as much time as possible with family and friends. We host people in our backyard oftentimes, playing music and our favorite yard game, Chipco.

## *Justice*

Our dog, Justice, is a four-year-old German Shepherd. She has never met another dog, adult, or kid she didn’t like! She’s a great protector and cuddle bug. She is a quick learner and very patient, so we know that she will be great with kids in the house.



We will be overjoyed to welcome your child into our home, and you both into our lives. We hope that you can see how much love we have to give both you and your child. We will pray for you while you make these important next steps and decisions. Please reach out if you have any questions through Adoption Center of San Diego at (858) 535-3033.

