

Sarah AND
EDWARD



Hello!

WE ARE
**SARAH, ED
AND DOROTHY**
from New York



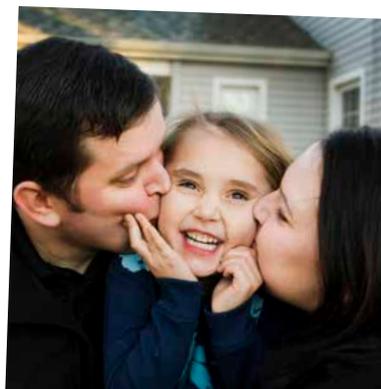
*dear
Birth parents*

THANK YOU for taking the time to let us show you a glimpse of our family.

WE CAN'T IMAGINE WHAT THIS PROCESS IS LIKE FOR YOU AND WANT YOU TO KNOW HOW GRATEFUL WE ARE FOR YOU. We have a great capacity to love and want to share that with our children. We plan to be open about the adoption process and celebrate it. We want any child that joins our family to know we love them for who they are and everything that makes them unique; you are an inseparable part of that. We would be happy to have an open adoption so we can share in watching this child grow.

We both knew we wanted a large family and after our daughter Dorothy was born we hoped the process would be an easy one. Unfortunately our efforts have not been successful and we have suffered several heartbreaking miscarriages. **Adoption has always been part of the conversation for expanding our family and this has very much been a whole family decision with Dorothy very eager to be a big sister.** She's been asking for a sibling as long as she has been able to talk.

WE LOVE OUR GIRL →





about
us

↑ ED SURPRISED SARAH WITH A TRIP TO DC FOR A JAMES TAYLOR CONCERT - ONE OF HER FAVORITE ARTISTS

EXPLORING THE GROUNDS OF BLARNEY CASTLE ↑

FAITH, COMMUNICATION, AND HUMOR are at the center of our marriage and it is this foundation that has helped us grow together as a couple and as parents. We love playing games together and the extra excitement and competition that comes from

being on opposing teams. As a family we enjoy spending time at the local YMCA, working out, playing and swimming. Reading, walks with our dog Perry and eating dinner together are part of our routine and allow us to relax and catch up with each other.

We love to travel and have had the privilege to visit Denmark and Ireland. **We enjoy learning about and exploring different cultures as well as diving into our own heritage. We look forward to continuing this as our family grows.**



our
story

Our family began when Ed and Sarah met while attending college in Washington, DC. Both of us played rugby and were first introduced after one of Sarah's games. Sarah is very

outgoing and Ed is more reserved, so much so it took a year of friendship for Sarah to realize Ed was flirting. Lucky for both of us Ed finally asked Sarah out. We were married on May 7, 2011. **With great excitement and joy Dorothy joined our family in 2012.** We decided we wanted a puppy and welcomed our lovable dog Perry the Platypus.



ABOUT Sarah

ACCORDING TO ED

It may sound a bit strange, but I knew right away that Sarah would be a fantastic mother. She was both

warm with and protective of her friends and teammates. When I met her family,

I observed how she was able to seamlessly bounce from infants to toddlers to teenagers. Providing each group with just the right type of attention. She was always caring and understanding of their needs. I just knew that she would be the perfect person to raise a family with. Nine years later, that's still the case. **Sarah keeps us all happy, healthy and laughing. She takes all that life sends her way and keeps pushing forward to the betterment of our family.** From ouchies to bad days at work, she has a gift for making us feel loved. We're so lucky to have her.

DO WHAT YOU LOVE, LOVE WHAT YOU DO

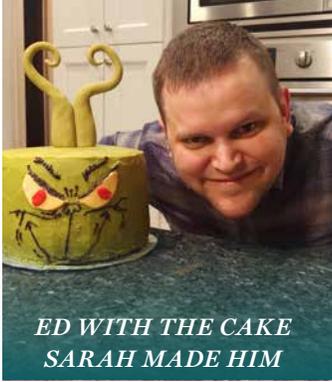
Sarah works in Human Resources for a small locally owned business. Sarah loves learning new more effective processes and implementing them to make life easier for both employees and customers. She is part-time and has the flexibility to work from home, as well as paid family leave available. As when Dorothy was born, **Sarah plans to be home as much as possible, especially during Baby's first year.**



SARAH BABYSITTING

YMCA FUN RUN





*ED WITH THE CAKE
SARAH MADE HIM*

About Ed

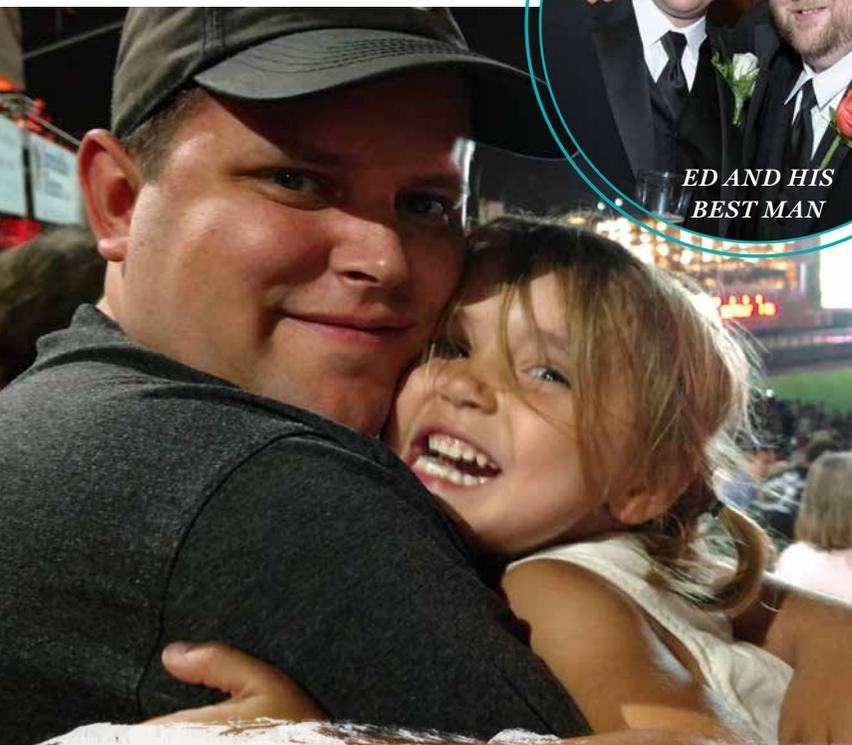
ACCORDING TO SARAH

One of the reasons I married Ed, apart from his handsome smile and quick wit, was **I knew he would be a wonderful father. He is good hearted, considerate, smart, sidesplittingly funny and very hardworking.** When we first started dating, Ed took a real interest in not only getting to know me, but my family. Within 2 weeks of dating he could name all of my siblings in order as well as their partners and children; he saw how important my family is to me and made them important to him. Education is very important to us. Ed carefully looks over Dorothy's homework and patiently works with her to make sure she feels confident in her answers. I love watching Ed and Dorothy play and be silly; whether its family games of Trouble, Monopoly or mini golf. **There is no question Ed loves being a husband and Dad.**

↓ *ONE OF OUR FAVORITE THINGS ABOUT WEEKEND BASEBALL GAMES ARE THE FIREWORKS AFTER*



*ED AND HIS
BEST MAN*

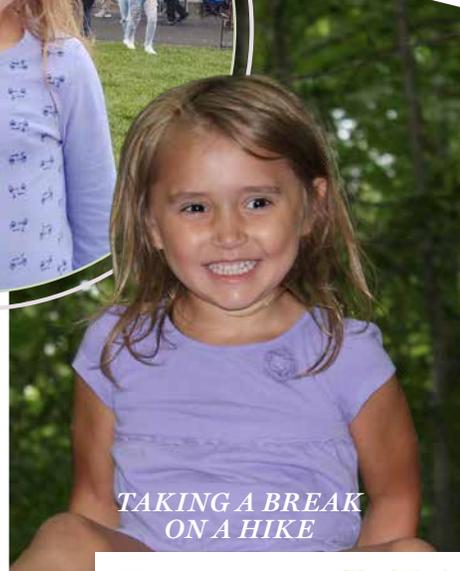


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Ed has held numerous roles in Aviation Management over the last 15 years. He started as a member of the ground crew then as a supervisor and staff planner and now runs operations for over 200 flights daily. **While he enjoyed his career, his real passion is helping people.** In order to fulfill this he will be starting an accelerated nursing program in January 2021.

Dorothy is a smart, funny, loving, independent little girl.

We love her curious nature and that she asks lots of questions. She never fails to make us smile. After a long day there is nothing better than a hug or snuggle from Dorothy. She is kind, always looking for ways to help and be a friend to others. We know she will be the best big sister. ***"I don't care if the baby is a boy or girl. I don't care what they look like. I will love them all the same."*** ~Dorothy



TAKING A BREAK ON A HIKE

meet
Dorothy



3 GENERATIONS OF DOROTHY'S (SARAH'S MOM AND SISTER ARE ALSO NAMED DOROTHY)



OUR
Home

WE LOVE APPLE PICKING IN THE FALL



We live in a suburban community of beautiful tree lined streets. **We are a short walk to parks, playgrounds, the library and the highly rated elementary school Dorothy currently attends.** We are in the same town as Sarah's parents and are a short drive to the Zoo or downtown which offers

wonderful Children's museums. There are also several theaters at which we have seen amazing plays and shows. We experience all four seasons which we happily take advantage of. Swimming, apple and pumpkin picking, sledding and numerous spring time festivals have us lucky to call New York home.

meet Perry

We rescued Perry when he was only a few months old. Dorothy was two so they have grown up together, she even taught him to bark at the neighbors' dogs. He is a happy, affectionate pup and doesn't mind being pulled on, laid on, or loved on by little ones. Give him a belly rub and you have a friend for life.



A HAPPY BOY
EVEN AT THE VET



↑ PERRY BY DOROTHY

our favorites...

FAVORITE ANIMAL

- SARAH** Dog
- ED** Platypus
- DOROTHY** Puppy

FAVORITE HOLIDAY

- SARAH** Christmas
- ED** Easter
- DOROTHY** Thanksgiving

FAVORITE FOOD

- SARAH** Tacos
- ED** Pizza
- DOROTHY** Pizza

FAVORITE HOBBY

- SARAH** Reading
- ED** Gardening
- DOROTHY** Swimming

FAVORITE TV SHOW

- SARAH** The Office
- ED** Futurama
- DOROTHY** Full House

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT

- SARAH** Adirondack Mountains
- ED** New Hampshire
- DOROTHY** Boston



WE MAY LIVE IN NEW YORK BUT WE LOVE THE RED SOX



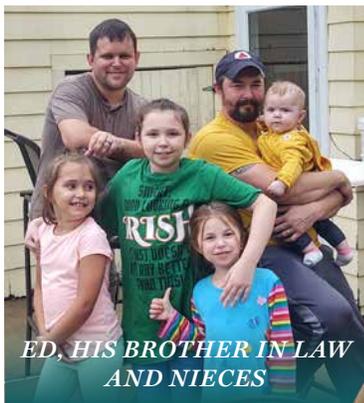
HIKING AT ONE OF THE BEAUTIFUL PARKS WE HAVE IN NEW YORK

meet our Family

Family is very important to us. Sarah is the 5th of 10 children and Ed has 2 younger sisters. Dorothy has 25 cousins with another on the way. We love spending time with our large extended family. Hardly a week goes by without spending an afternoon with Sarah's parents and sister. In the summer, our large family gets together for cook outs, swimming and games on the lawn. Quiplash has become a favorite and is guaranteed to have everyone laughing late into the night. Ed's family is in Boston and we enjoy packing up the car for road trips around the holidays. Nothing puts a smile on Ed's 92 year old Nana's face faster than a hug from her Grand- and Great Grandchildren. **There is no shortage of people to love, snuggle and spoil a new addition.**



↑ CHEERING PAPA ON WHILE HE PLAYS LACROSSE

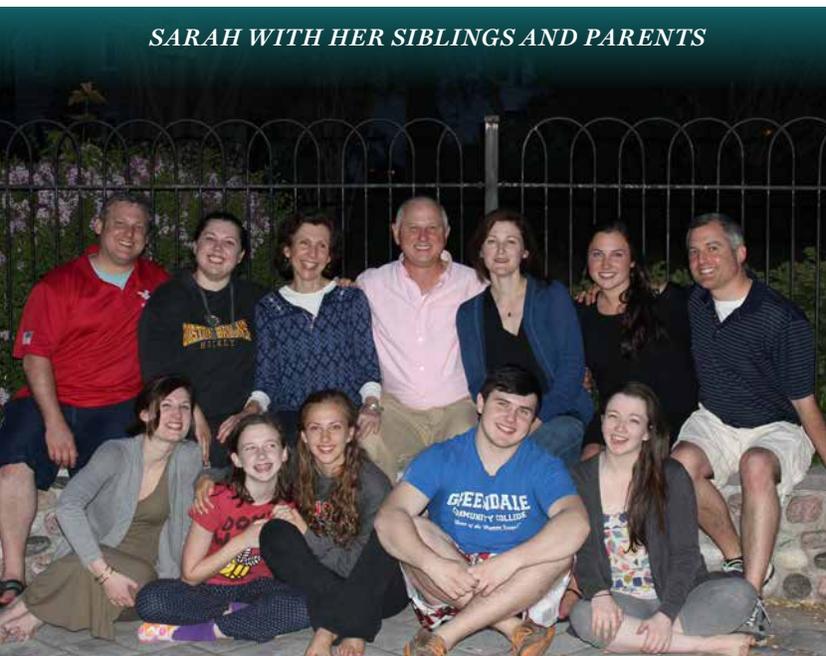


ED, HIS BROTHER IN LAW AND NIECES



↑ ED, HIS MOTHER, AND SISTERS AT OUR WEDDING

SARAH WITH HER SIBLINGS AND PARENTS



SARAH'S DAD READING TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS - A FAMILY TRADITION



our thoughts on **Parenting**



*IRELAND WAS A MAGICAL TRIP
AND WE HOPE TO GO BACK*



Should you choose our family, we promise to be open and honest about the blessing adoption was in growing our family and the role you played in bringing this child into it. We promise to give this child a comfortable home, the best possible education and plenty of opportunities to grow and learn about all the wonderful things life has to offer, while letting them be a kid. We promise to care for this child and to learn from them, as every child is unique and should be treated as such. We promise to create an environment that allows them to be themselves and to take interest in and be supportive of their passions, interests and goals. Finally, above all we promise to love and protect this child fiercely. To hold, kiss and snuggle them, because a child can never be “spoiled” by love and affection. We will love, care for and provide for this child with the same level of passion and joy we have for Dorothy and any other children we are blessed with.

*Thank
YOU!*

If our family had a motto it would be **“Have Courage and Be Kind”**. These words are frequently written on notes tucked into Dorothy’s lunchbox. Whether you choose us or another family, you are bringing into this world a beautiful, wholly unique soul. Thank you doesn’t seem enough to encompass the bravery and strength you are showing in considering adoption and taking the time to consider us. You truly embody what it is to “Have Courage and Be Kind”. You and your baby are in our prayers and will continue to be.

*With great love and respect,
Sarah & Ed*



*We’d love to hear
from you!*

If you have additional questions for us or would like to speak to us, please contact **THE ADOPTION ALLIANCE BY CALLING 1-800-626-4324.**