

Hello!

Thank you for taking a moment to get to know us a bit through this letter. Matt and I (Sara) are originally from New England and have been happily nested in Steamboat Springs, Colorado since 2011.

I was born and raised in Western Massachusetts and moved to New Hampshire after college. Matt grew up in Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine where he worked with his family and went to college. We met while teaching snowboarding in New Hampshire and decided to marry and move to Colorado. We shared the same passion for bigger mountains, more snow, and the wonderful lifestyle of Colorado.

We have laid roots in Steamboat and are happy to say that we have found our home here. We have four fur-babies (dogs) that we love adventuring with, a close community of friends, and jobs we love. We bought our two-bedroom home in 2013 and keep building more gardens every year. Eventually, I think my strawberry patch is going to take over the whole back yard!

Adventuring outdoors is something our family values greatly for our own enjoyment and as a way of connecting with friends. We love to make new friends and are passionate about teaching skills we have to others. Matt and I are always running impromptu 'clinics' on the trail for each other and for whomever is with us.

I teach bootcamp and Pilates at Colorado Mountain College, work at Natural Grocers in the vitamin department, and do administrative tasks for Steamboat Limos. Matt works at Elk River Guns as a gunsmith and salesperson. We love that our jobs have flexible schedules and that I can work from home as much as I want. I'm looking forward to being at home most of the time with our family.

Before we were married, Matt and I knew adoption would play a role in building our family. After grieving the loss of our still-born son (2013) and a miscarriage the following year, we prayerfully embarked on this adoption journey in 2018. Matt was adopted himself and has a very special excitement for building our family through adoption. From Matt: *I was adopted when I was three days old. Steph, my biological mother, was unprepared to raise a child. My mother and father had put an ad out in several newspapers around Vermont seeking a child, as they were unable to conceive a child. They welcomed me into their lives and raised me as their own. I've always known I was adopted. I never felt like an outsider, even after my little sister and brother were born. I was 100% their child.*

We feel very strongly about eating organic, local, and wild foods, about having fun outdoors, and about continuing to learn and grow. We love to host gatherings in our home with good friends and delicious food. We both love to read, to travel and explore, to seek out educational

opportunities, and to adventure with friends. We absolutely love following Jesus; worshipping Him in community with our friends and friends-who-are-family in Steamboat.

Matt and I are interested in an open adoption and would love to welcome you into our family in whatever way you may feel comfortable. Please feel free to ask us any and all questions you'd like to have the answers to. We will provide as much information as we can. We respect and admire you as you walk this path and would love to share our hearts with you.

Warm regards,

Sara and Matt Gorevan