

Hello!

We're Rob, Jamie & Taylor Clark.

We've always known that adoption was a great way to build a family, because both Rob and his sister were adopted. We adopted Taylor at birth in January 2003, and are so excited about adding another child to our family through adoption. We have so much love to share with another child.

About Us

We met eleven years ago on a blind date and have been together ever since. We truly believe we are soul mates. We enjoy traveling and experiencing new things, and can't believe how much we love being parents. Taylor has brought so much joy and laughter into our lives. Our house has tons of toys around, and we love it! Hearing her say "Mama" or "Dada" or just laughing out loud, is one of the best things in life! We love to curl up on the couch as a family, with popcorn to watch a movie, sing silly songs together, or sit out in the backyard on a blanket and enjoy the sun. Having another child to share these fun times with would make us feel truly blessed.



Our Home

We live about 30 miles northeast of San Francisco, on a golf course in **Vallejo, California**. Our home has plenty of room for a nursery and a kid's playroom, and it's just waiting to be filled with the sounds of happy children. We have a jukebox to dance to in our recreation room and our backyard has room for a swing-set and a wading pool and even a vegetable garden.

Jamie & Taylor participate in a local Mom's club, and can't wait to introduce our new baby to the group! We love taking walks around our neighborhood after dinner in the evenings, while enjoying the sunset over the beautiful hills that surround our home. We live only an hour or two drive away from the beach and the mountains, and look forward to weekend family getaways, to Lake Tahoe to play in the snow, the Santa Cruz beach and boardwalk to frolic in the sand, and to the zoo or out for a good sushi dinner in San Francisco.



Our kitty, Cricket

When we become a family of four... We want you to know that we have had such a joyful time being parents – it's all that we've ever thought it would be and more. We've done the early days of infancy and its middle of the night feedings, the messy diaper changes, and cheering at our child's first steps, and we are SO ready to do it all again. We have stayed in touch with Taylor's birthmother, Carrie, via the Internet, due to geography. We e-mail or instant message regularly, and keep each other informed about what is going on in both of our lives. Carrie also regularly accesses our family website and checks in on Taylor and views updated photos. Adoption is truly a gift from one heart to another, from your heart to ours. Our child will always know the special woman who gave birth to him or her, and we look forward to having whatever kind of relationship that you are comfortable with.



Halloween — A Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle and The Joker.

Please contact us anytime! Toll-free at 1-866-255-3253, e-mail us at clarkadopt2004@yahoo.com, check out our website at www.geocities.com/clarkadopt2004, or you can call our adoption counselors at the Independent Adoption Center at 1-800-877-OPEN (6736). We look forward to hearing from you!



Jamie & Taylor at Summer camp

My Wife Jamie

I feel so lucky to have Jamie for my wife! She's outgoing and likes to have fun, and she makes our house a home by filling it with love and encouragement. Her greatest reward in life has been the opportunity to be a **stay-at-home mom**. Jamie

and Taylor love to be together, playing games on the family room floor, working in the garden, or tidying up in the kitchen. Jamie is kind, generous, and has a lot of patience. She enjoys the outdoors and has been going to the same YMCA family camp in Kings Canyon National Park every summer since she was 10 years old. She dreams of taking our kids there to swim in the lake, fish off the dock and do crafts in the art shack, just like she did when she was a kid.

Jamie studied jewelry and fine arts in college and is very creative. She isn't afraid to get hands-on with home remodeling projects and always dives into any new activity with enthusiasm that's contagious. She's been making baby blankets for our friends' children for years, and can't wait to wrap our next baby in one of her cuddly creations.

My Husband Rob

Rob is a wonderfully kind and supportive husband who is very caring, generous and affectionate. I love the way he makes me laugh, and isn't afraid to show his silly side, like when he puts on a CD of his favorite '80's music and does his trademark "Bobbie Dance" with Taylor. He is also a practical, down-to-earth man and a good provider. We have always had a strong marriage, and watching him interact with our daughter has helped me fall in love with him more deeply than ever. **As an adoptee himself**, he knows that family is about much more than biology.

Rob works for a wireless phone company out of an office in our home, and loves the flexibility that this job provides him. In his spare time, Rob enjoys golf, rollerblading, and hockey.



Rob & Taylor

From working alongside his dad as a kid, he developed a real love of woodworking and learned how to fix just about anything. He enjoys working on projects around the house and is looking forward to passing all of this knowledge on to our children.

Our Daughter Taylor

Taylor is a happy, outgoing child, quick with a cuddle and a kiss. She loves her Kindermusic classes, chasing our cat Cricket, and taking baths. She's recently learned how to walk, and we spend much of our time chasing after her! Taylor uses a combination of baby sign language and words to communicate her needs and wants to us, and is learning new words every day. She is very independent and wants to do everything by herself! Taylor loves to be around other children, and we think she'll be a wonderful big sister.



Taylor, Rockin' Babe!

Family Ties

Rob grew up in Minnesota and Wisconsin and is still a Midwestern boy at heart — loyal, trustworthy and honest. His parents have been married for over 38 years and now live in Raleigh, NC. Rob's sister Kelli lives in New Jersey. **Jamie** grew up in Santa Barbara, CA, and is the youngest of 3 children. Her sister Leslie and her family live in VA, her father and stepmother live an hour away in El Dorado Hills, CA, and her brother Jay lives in Southern CA. Her mother (a mystery novelist) and stepfather split their time between Santa Barbara and Louisville, KY.

Although spread out, we're very close to both of our families. We get together with Rob's clan at least twice a year, either visiting them on the East Coast or having them out to CA. We enjoy going on vacation with family, and last summer we spent time at three different family reunions, meeting all sorts of cousins and aunts and uncles from all sides of the family. Everyone was so excited to meet Taylor, and can't wait to meet our next baby. Everyone is looking forward to sharing the adoption experience with us and are excited about having a new baby in the family!



The East Coast Clarks & the West Coast Clarks!