

Hello! We are Erricka & Matthew!

We know that in our hearts having a child would complete our family, and it's exciting to us to know that your loving decision could change our lives. Even though this is a difficult decision for you, the choice you are about to make is a generous and thoughtful act of love. For this, we thank you for taking the time to read our letter.

About Us

We both enjoy the outdoors and recreational activities. We met in 1998 while bowling, and became best friends. We were married two years later. Our relationship is based on patience, communication, love and trust. We've always shared the desire to become parents and want our child to experience the same endless amounts of love, support and encouragement that our families gave to us.

Parenting

We share a common view on the traits and characteristics that we'd like to instill in our child. We hope that our child will share the same passion for life that we do. We want our child to feel loved. We make a point of saying 'I love you' everyday and we look forward to hearing those words come from our child for the first time.



*"...a tremendous DECISION to start a family,
A bigger DECISION to create a home,
Your DECISION made out of love,
And our assurance to you, that you're not alone"*

The Jordans



Our Sweet Brownie!

Contact Us! We'd love to hear from you. If you'd like to talk and learn more about us please call **(888) 221-6964**, e-mail mattanderricka@yahoo.com or visit our website www.MattAndErricka.com. You can also learn more about us and open adoption by contacting the **Independent Adoption Center** at **1 800-877-OPEN (6736)** or by visiting their website at www.adoptionhelp.org/birthmother.html.

Sincerely,

Erricka and Matthew Jordan III



Erricka horseback riding

Matthew on Erricka

Erricka is my Queen, and since we first met and fell in love, we have discussed having kids. It wasn't long before I realized the love in her heart and comfort I felt in her embrace, and I know our child will feel that as well. I hope Erricka's laugh and sense of humor will set an example for our son or daughter. I look forward to seeing Erricka's face when our child brings home his or her first home-made Valentine's Day card. Erricka looks forward to reading bedtime stories like 'Goodnight Moon' and participating in the mother and baby swim classes that our community offers. She currently works as a database administrator, and she will take a few months off once our child arrives.

Erricka on Matthew

Matthew is a very loving, considerate and giving person, who believes that family and friends come first and will do all that he can to take care of those he loves. These are the qualities that stood out to me 10 years ago and have not changed. Matthew has worked in youth and adult sports for the last twenty-five years and has a lot of experience with children. He loves the outdoors and he's an avid fisherman, golfer and sports enthusiast. I look forward to seeing him teach our child how to catch his or her first trout and how to swing a baseball or softball bat. I know that he will be a great father because he loves kids, and knows how to relate to them on their level.



Matt's big catch at Irvine Lake



Enjoying a day at the ballpark. Go Dodgers!

For Fun

During baseball season our number one pass time is going to Dodger baseball games. We look forward to sharing hotdogs, popcorn and peanuts with our child while enjoying Americas' favorite game. Erricka enjoys gardening, horseback riding, reading and taking Brownie for walks. We also love to travel, and have spent time in Cabo San Lucas, Cancun, Hawaii, and Europe. For our next family vacation we will be traveling to Greece.

Our Community and Home

We live in the City of Carson, a suburb of Los Angeles. We were fortunate enough to buy the house that Matthew was raised in, which adds special meaning to our home. We share our home with Brownie, our very friendly 2-year old toy poodle. He loves meeting new people and being around kids. We live in a family oriented neighborhood where everyone knows each other. We look forward to walking our child to our local park and playing on the swings or splashing in the kiddy pool. There are so many great things to do in our area! We are only minutes from theme parks, museums, the ocean and lakes where Matthew enjoys fishing. There are 19 parks that host outdoor concerts, festivals, and youth sports programs. Erricka can't wait to take our child to Disneyland and watch his or her eyes light up with amazement upon meeting Mickey Mouse and his friends for the first time!



Riding the Teacups at Disneyland with our nieces



Matt & Erricka with cousin Camden

Our Family

Both of our families have been very supportive about our plans to adopt. Erricka's mother and father who live fifteen minutes away, are anxious to become first time grandparents. They look forward to babysitting and can't wait until our child is old enough to swing his or her first tennis racket. Matthew's mom and dad reside in Oakwood, Texas, which is about ninety miles from Dallas. They look forward to spoiling our child with family recipes during holiday gatherings, especially grandma's famous peach cobbler! In addition to our parents endless support, we have a great network of family, as well as friends who have adopted and look forward to watching our children play and grow up together.