



Faye and Scott



Our Hope

"Mom, we have big news- we've decided to adopt a baby."

"OH MY GOODNESS!!! THIS IS INCREDIBLE!!! A SECOND GENERATION!!!"

Tears of joy stream down her face as she embraces us, our ribs nearly cracking under the force of that excitement!

Thirty-five years ago, Faye's mom embarked on the same journey we began this year, uncertain about what her future held, but knowing how much love she had to share. Our adoption journey comes from the amazing impact that decision had on Faye's life and the gratitude we have for her birth mother in choosing to place her for adoption.

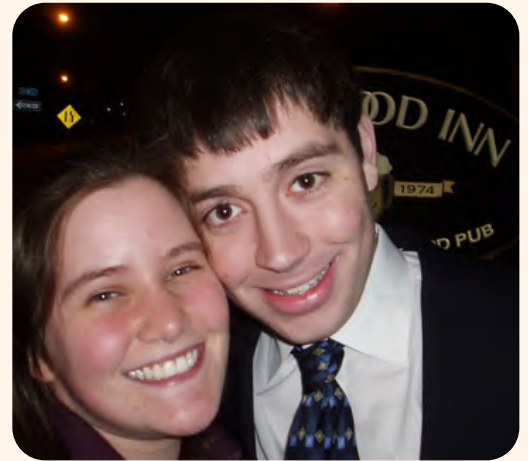
We recognize that this is an incredibly emotional and difficult time, and we want you to know that **our hearts are with you**. The strength and courage it takes to make such a selfless and loving decision are deeply admirable. We hope that the photos and stories we share help you envision the life your child would have in our family, **a life full of joy, laughter, adventure, and love.**

Please know that entrusting us to love and raise your child brings you into the heart of our family, if you so choose. With your blessing, your child will know your love and sacrifice not only from the stories we share, but also from getting to know you as they grow.

We wish you peace, comfort, and clarity as you consider what is best for you and your child. **We will be there with you and for you every step along the way** if you decide we are the right fit.

Scott & Faye Through the Years

We met in a math workshop in 2008 during our first weeks in college in upstate New York. Faye introduced herself, and Scott exclaimed, "Like the hurricane!" (*referencing the recent storm in Florida that shared her name*). Faye laughed so hard that the ice immediately broke, thus beginning our adventures through life!



Our First Date



One of Our Very First Photos Together on a Snowy Night Outside Our Dorm Building

Throughout college, we bonded over our shared passions for nature, music (Faye plays cello & Scott plays trombone), movies, games, and travel. We even discovered amazing coincidences from our childhoods as we shared our life stories!

By senior year, we had tackled so many challenges as a team and knew we wanted to spend the rest of our lives together. After graduation, we packed our bags and moved across the country to continue our studies in Los Angeles, California.

**I Choose You, Pikachu!
Halloween 1999**

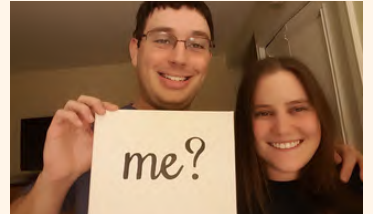


Exploring Atlantis

Scott & Faye Through the Years



2015: Scott proposed to Faye in a canoe at Lake Louise in Banff National Park, Canada (incredibly not tipping us over!).



2016: Faye proposed to Scott with a four-part series of painted canvases leading up to our wedding day.



2017: We celebrated our marriage surrounded by friends and family at our college- the place where our story began.

We wrote our own vows, choreographed a first dance, and cried as Scott's grandfather sang us a song he wrote to the tune of "Over the Rainbow" from The Wizard of Oz (Faye's favorite movie).



Getting to Know Our Families



**Faye, Her Brother,
& Her Mom**



**National Park Hike
with Scott's Parents**



**Celebrating Scott's
Grandpa's 90th Birthday
Poolside in Florida!**



**Faye's Family Reunion (Dad's Side)
in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware**

While Scott is an only child, he has a loving and large family of cousins, aunts, and uncles, many of whom live nearby. His parents live just 40 minutes away and often come over for dinner, swimming, watching sports, or movie nights. Faye has a huge family spread out all across the United States and Europe. Her brother, Mikey, lives only a few hours away in Maryland with his partner and two children, Leighra (8) and Odin (4).

All of our family is so excited about us adopting a baby and cannot wait to welcome the newest member of the family!



Getting to Know Our Families



Leighra's 1st Birthday Party



Scott's Family Celebrating Naomi's 1st Birthday



Bowling with Grandma Rita



Vacation in Greece with Faye's Mom



Leighra's First Self-Made Snowman



Cousins Cruise to The Bahamas



Faye Meeting Her Biological Half-Brother Sean and His Wife Odessa for the First Time



Faye's Dad Getting Too Close for Comfort to a Shark

Faye *(by Scott)*

Faye is my best friend. She brings so much **joy** to every moment, whether we're spending a quiet evening playing board games together or making memories halfway around the world.



Saying Hello to Faye's Students from Our Trip to the Arctic



Faye & Odin Walk Liberty

Faye is an **amazing aunt** to her niece and nephew, Leighra and Odin. At the end of weekend visits filled with pool games, hide-and-seek, and watching movies together, they never want to leave!

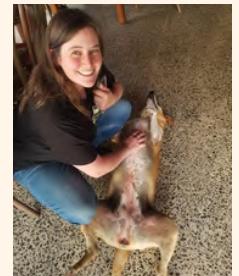


Faye & Leighra Playing Hide-and-Seek Together



Liberty's Birthday Cake

In addition, she is a **wonderful dog-mom** to our lab, Liberty. Every year for Liberty's birthday and rescue day, Faye bakes her a pumpkin and jerky cake from scratch. Animals seem to find her everywhere we go!



Belly Rubs in Fiji



Faye Leading a Field Trip to the Botanical Gardens

Faye's kindness goes beyond our family. She works as a **high school science teacher** and works late into the night, making sure every lesson is perfectly tailored to give her students the best possible experience. Her students from ten years ago still keep in touch because of the impact she had on their lives.

Faye is the **most giving and thoughtful person** that I know. She is always there for me with whatever I need, often before I even know that I need it. No matter what, Faye gives everything of herself to make the people around her happy, and I know she will be an **incredible mother**.



Scott *(by Faye)*

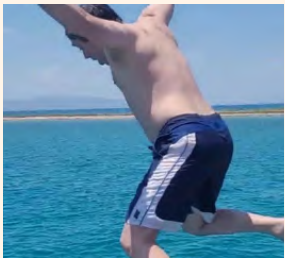
Scott is the most **caring, compassionate, kind, and giving** person I know. His **laughter** and **joy** are infectious in the best way. He has incredible dad jokes to share and puns for every situation- I can hear the groans now from our future teenager!

Scott has a **passion for living**. He is always pushing himself to be the best he can be as a husband, an employee, a dog-dad, and a person. He started running just in the past ten years, and managed to train himself enough to run the NYC Marathon in 2022 with plans to run it again in 2026.



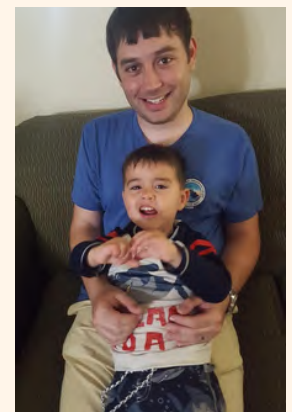
Marathon Cheer Squad- Scott's Biggest Fans

Post-Marathon Celebration



Scott knows how to find **balance** in life. He works a challenging job in software engineering in the city during the week and enjoys watching Cowboys games with his parents or reading in the hammock on weekends. He **loves adventuring** to new places around the world, and is equally happy chilling at the pool as he is scuba diving with reef sharks or cliff jumping into the ocean.

Scott works from home on Fridays, and always runs the laundry while he works to take that task off my weekend to-do list. This level of **thoughtfulness**, demonstrated in all he does, makes him the **perfect partner** and will make him an **unbelievable dad**.



Our Friendships

We are incredibly lucky to have friends close to home and around the world. These friends are our **chosen family**, and it **feels like coming home** every time we get together.

**Scott's Bachelor Party
with Marc & Dónal**



**Whale Watching in
Vancouver with Swarnima**



**Disneyland Adventures
with Terra, Gabrielle, &
Rachel Over
Friendsgiving**



**Annual Christmas
Break Dinner with
Kelsey & Marc**



**Visiting Mel (Faye's
First Camp Counselor)
& Her Daughter in
Montréal**



Our Friendships

Trip to the Botanical Garden with Our Neighbor, Lubna



**Scott & Elizabeth (Faye's Friend from Grad School)
Run the NYC Marathon**



Middle: Faye's Bachelorette Party with Saralen, Gabrielle, Amanda, & Rachel

Bottom: Wedding S'mores with Camp Friends Kathleen, Amanda, & Mel

Middle: Festive Night Out with Scott's Friends

Bottom: Lunch Out with Faye's Old Students

Friendsgiving Movie Time with Rachel & Terra



Liberty



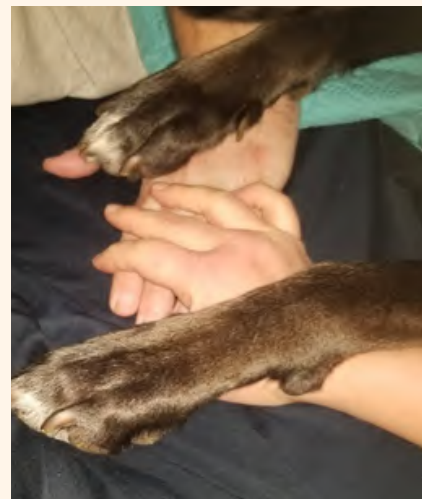
Liberty is the **light of our lives**. We rescued Liberty when she was 11 months old. She is now 6 years old and we believe she is a black lab & greyhound mix (a “greyador”). She is our **velcro dog**- she follows us wherever we go around the house and loves nothing more than **cuddling** on the couch or in bed, often with her face pressed into our legs and laps.



Our “Princess”



Liberty’s grandparents are her absolute favorite people in the world! Liberty is incredibly lucky to spend many weekdays being cared for by Scott’s mom. When she comes over, Liberty greets her with kisses and then runs over to sit by the fridge since she knows treats are on their way!



Faye’s niece and nephew always have a blast playing with Liberty, who is **incredibly patient and loving** with them. We know she will **fall in love with and protect your child**.

Our Home & Neighborhood

We live on a quiet cul-de-sac in a diverse town along the Hudson River.

We are minutes from the train to New York City, mixing easy access to everything the city has to offer with the peace and quiet of the suburbs.

Our home, complete with a pool and plenty of outdoor space for playing



The future nursery with a rocking chair from Scott's childhood



Your child's future elementary and middle schools, right across the street

Beautiful hiking, a vibrant riverfront, and a library, all just minutes away!



A Year in the Life: Traditions & Celebrations

FALL



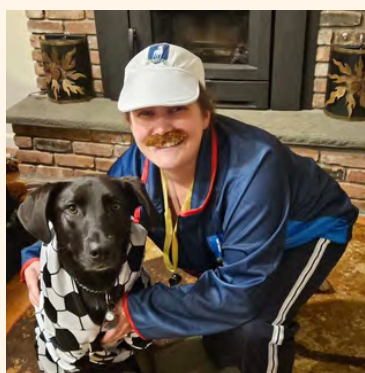
Our **favorite season** arrives with the **fresh start** of a new school year.

The crisp smells of hay rides, apple cider, and **pumpkin patches** bring us back to some of the **happiest moments of childhood**. As jack-o'-lanterns glow on porches and kids shriek with delight in spooky, skeleton-filled yards, we blast **Halloween** hits while decked out in **costumes** on our porch. Even Liberty is a great sport and gets in on the fun!

Annual Friendsgiving Dinner in San Diego, California (14 Years Strong)



Faye, Scott, & Liberty Dressed Up as Our Favorite TV Show Characters



Faye & Kelsey at a Fall Festival



Faye's Mom Makes Incredible Wreaths for Each Holiday



Annual Yom Kippur Dinner with Scott's Family

A Year in the Life: Traditions & Celebrations

Winter is a time of **wonder**, **joy**, and **reflection** for our family. We celebrate Scott's and his parents' **birthdays** with freshly baked cakes and an activity of the birthday person's choosing.

The holidays brighten the darker December days with our **colorfully lit Christmas tree** and **Scott's childhood menorah**.

After reciting prayers, we play our **Hanukkah candle game** with Scott's family to see who can guess which candle will go out first.

Christmas festivities often include gingerbread houses with nieces and nephews, matching PJs, family sleepovers, the warm aroma of cinnamon rolls, and opening gifts and stockings together on Christmas morning. **New Year's Eve** brings adventures such as the Peep Festival in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, with a Giant Peep Drop at midnight!



A Year in the Life: Traditions & Celebrations



As the days get lighter and the sun's warmth thaws the hard frozen ground, allowing the first flowers to blossom in our **garden**, we excitedly take our first **muddy hikes** to enjoy the vibrancy of new life. Spring brings both the fun chaos of the end of the school year and the **anticipation of spring and summer vacation** adventures.

Faye, her brother, and her sister-in-law have spring **birthdays** that we love to **celebrate together** whenever possible. We'll often head on a short trip to take advantage of the warmer weather. We love decorating the house in green for **St. Patrick's Day** and hosting **Easter** dinner with candy-filled Easter baskets and an Easter egg hunt for Liberty.

**Faye's Trip to the Netherlands
with Best Friends
Gabrielle & Rachel**



**Faye's Mom & Scott
Celebrating Faye's Birthday
with Song & Dance**



**Faye's Brother Mikey Opening
Birthday Gifts**



**Treats in the Easter Basket &
Cookies for Dessert**

A Year in the Life: Traditions & Celebrations



Summer brings a **breath of fresh air** for our family as Faye has two months off from teaching. Summers are spent **lounging in our pool** (often on the giant unicorn float), reading good books, **enjoying local music** by the waterfront, and eating as much ice cream as humanly possible (Scott's favorite treat!). We also get to **visit family and friends** across the country and **explore** new countries and cultures.

As children, Faye, her brother, and her mom visited **Rehoboth Beach** in Delaware every summer. We continue that tradition to this day with Mikey's children, and we cannot wait to **share our tradition** of Boardwalk fries, Grotto's pizza, Funland rides, sand castles, and wave jumping with your child.



Our Values

★ In our home, **compassion** is our core value. We stand up for what we know is right, and we show up for our friends, family, and community. We believe in **doing the hard work needed for a more just society**.

★ We believe in the significance of **education** as a way to broaden one's world, foster compassion, and expose oneself to new ideas and perspectives.

★ We believe in **playfulness** and **joy**. We celebrate accomplishments big and small and try not to take ourselves too seriously since life is too short for that!

**One of Many Protests
Attended to Stand Up for
Justice**



**"Our Neighbors" Organization
Volunteer Night**



**Walk for the Wild
Fundraiser with
Scott's Family**



**Middle: Scott Successfully
Defends his PhD Thesis in
Astrophysics**



**Middle: Spring Break Science
Trip for Faye's Students**



**Middle: Faye Celebrates
Her Masters in
Education**

**Bottom: Post-Graduation Joy
with Faye's Students**

**Bottom: Posing as a
Funny Statue in a Park**

**Bottom: Scott Delivers a
Birthday Gift**

Adventures Around the World

We are lucky enough to have traveled extensively, both individually and as a couple. Between the two of us, we've been to 49 out of 50 states and to every continent except Antarctica (it's on our list!). We are passionate about exploring the natural world and experiencing other cultures, and **it is our dream to share adventures like these with your child.**

Ziplining Through the Jungles of Fiji



Trekking Through Ice Caves in Iceland



Exploring the Acropolis in Greece



Hiking Through the Redwoods in Vancouver



Dinner on the Beach in Aruba for Our Honeymoon



In Churchill to See the Northern Lights (Middle Left) & Polar Bears (Middle Right)



Our Promise to You

Our promise to you is that your child will be **loved, seen, heard, respected, and cherished for everything they are**. They will **know and be proud of their adoption story**, as it will be an important part of their identity as they grow. We promise to **build a relationship with you at your level of comfort** so that your child can get to know you and understand the love you put into making this adoption decision.

We would be happy to adopt a child of any race or background, and we hope to **discuss your vision of a happy and successful life for your child**.

In welcoming your child into our family, we will both be taking parental leave in addition to using the support network of Scott's family when needed. We even have his dad on call as a pediatrician for any medical questions!

With Faye having been adopted herself, this journey is all the more meaningful. We want to wish you good health, as smooth and easy a pregnancy as possible, and **comfort and peace** in any decision you make for your child. **Please know that we will be there for you every step of the way.**

With love,

Faye & Scott

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