

HANDS ACROSS THE WATER WAITING FAMILY

Tom and Julia



Something we have in common with you is that we both want to give your child a life filled with love.

The thing we feel the most grateful for in our lives is family. Our family is very close and warm. We had happy childhoods and want to give that to your child too. For example, we loved reading bedtime stories with our parents, baking cakes on birthdays, and spending summers on the beach with cousins.

Our most treasured memories are times spent with our family. Traditions from our childhoods that we carry on today are Tom's big family Christmas party in Michigan, and Thanksgiving in Boston with Julia's side of the family.

Our greatest accomplishments have been being supportive to the people we love.

We have dreamed of being parents for a long time. We haven't become parents yet because we cannot get pregnant.

As you become part of our family, one thing you should know is that we already care about you and respect you so much. We can't wait to begin this journey together. Thank you.

About Tom

- **Age:** 34
- **Job:** doctor (pediatrician)
- **Favorite Food:** Julia's homemade apple pie
- **Hobbies:** basketball, spending time with friends
- **Favorite Holiday Tradition:** our big family Christmas party
- **Favorite Childhood Memory:** playing outside with my dad, brother, and dog
- **Interests:** sports, science, and traveling
- **Sports:** U of M, Pistons, Lions, Tigers, and Red Wings
- **Pets:** our golden retriever puppy, Abby
- **My wife is awesome because:** she's creative and an amazing artist. Before we met, she won a Fulbright Fellowship to travel abroad and paint pictures.

About Julia

- **Age:** 33
- **Job:** lawyer
- **Favorite Food:** ice cream
- **Hobbies:** running, baking, reading, spending time with friends
- **Favorite Holiday Tradition:** Thanksgiving in Boston with family
- **Favorite Childhood Memory:** summers at the beach
- **Interests:** art, foreign languages, and traveling
- **Community:** volunteering with high school students
- **Pets:** our golden retriever puppy, Abby
- **My husband is awesome because:** he's so great with kids! Our little nieces love his silly sense of humor.