

A man and a woman are sitting on a light-colored stone ledge in a garden. The man is on the left, wearing a green and white plaid short-sleeved shirt and dark blue jeans. The woman is on the right, wearing a grey short-sleeved top and blue jeans, holding sunglasses. They are both smiling. Behind them is a low stone wall with the words 'AYS FAMIL' and 'DEN' visible. The background is filled with lush greenery, including tall grasses, red flowers, and large blue-green agave plants.

Mark and Emily Truckenbrod

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Thank you for looking at our profile; we are honored that you are considering us! We are excited to expand our family through open adoption, and we look forward to talking with you. We hope our profile gives you some insight into us and our life together.

We wish you clarity and peace in your decision-making process.

We love to travel and have had many adventures together

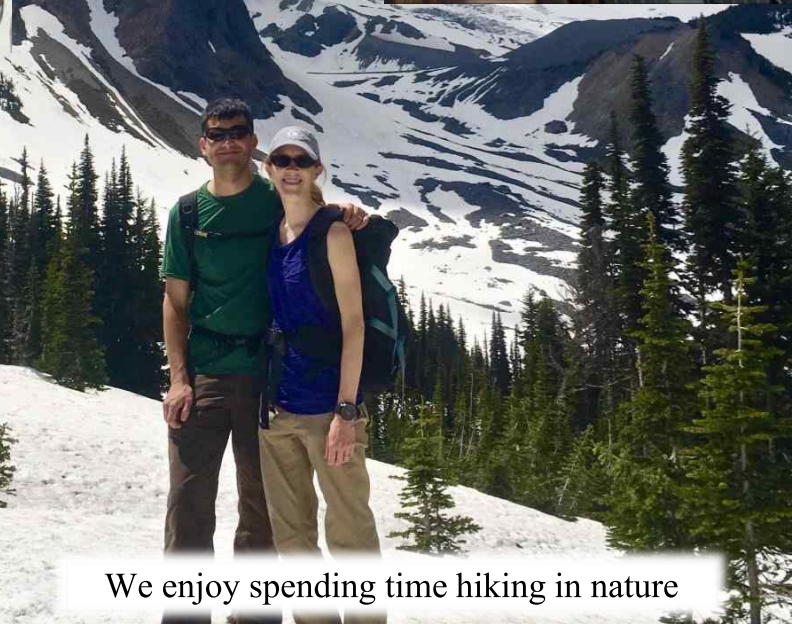


About us

We fell in love during college, but were pulled apart for a time by the Navy (Mark) and veterinary school (Emily). Deciding that forming a family together was more important than other goals, we married in 2006. Through both happy and challenging times, our love has sustained us and brought us joy. We look forward to sharing the deep love that we have built with our future child!



Visiting a farm where Emily has special memories



We enjoy spending time hiking in nature

About Emily

- ❖ A veterinarian and loves animals
- ❖ Also loves learning... currently studies and works at a university
- ❖ Grew up in a small town in Iowa and spent time on three family farms
- ❖ Hobbies include running, gardening, reading, improving her Spanish, cooking with Mark



Favorite place: Hawai'i



Making the most of winter



Enjoying the outdoors with our dog, Arya



Likes being around water



Spending time with Johanna

Five things about Emily
(by Mark)

Open-hearted and loving

Kind and gentle

Makes our home beautiful

Thoughtful and
supportive

The love of my life



Biking with Emily

About Mark

- ❖ Engineer and project manager
- ❖ Helped raise his two younger brothers
- ❖ Has operated a nuclear reactor
- ❖ Hobbies include biking, reading science fiction, rock climbing, cooking with Emily, home carpentry

Five things about Mark (by Emily)

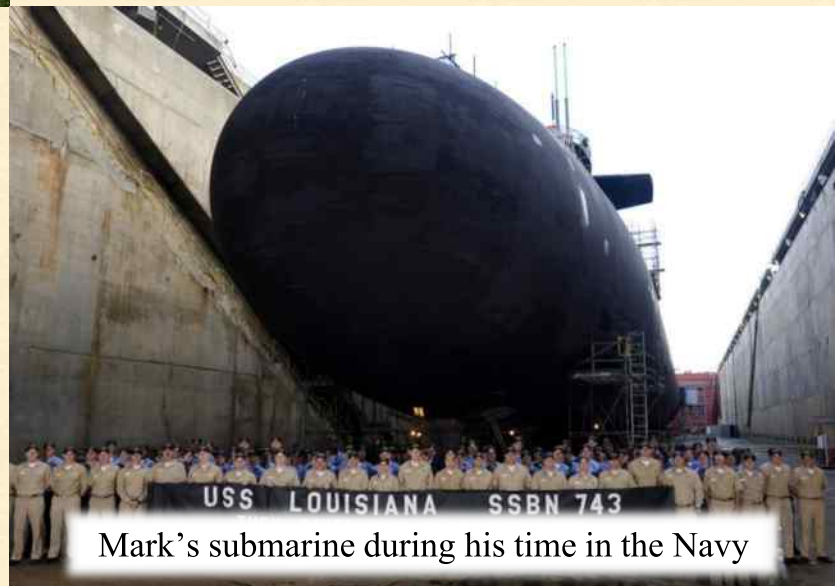
Generous and considerate

Has an adventurous streak

Strong and capable

Makes delicious pies

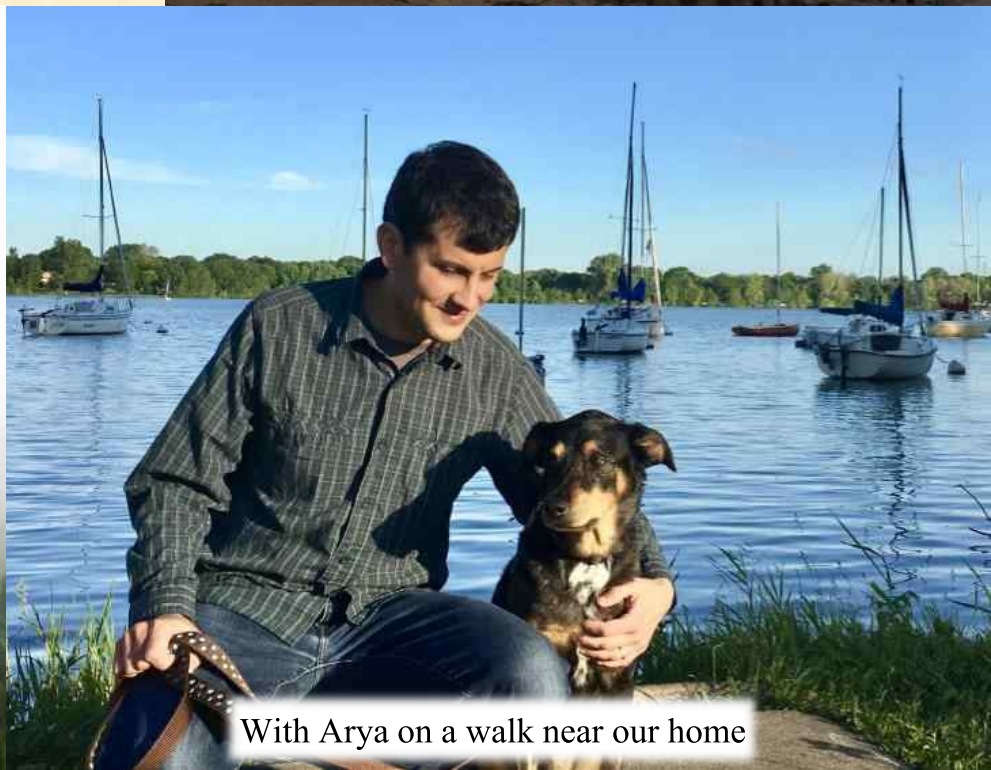
Loving and nurturing



Mark's submarine during his time in the Navy



Hiking in the woods



With Arya on a walk near our home

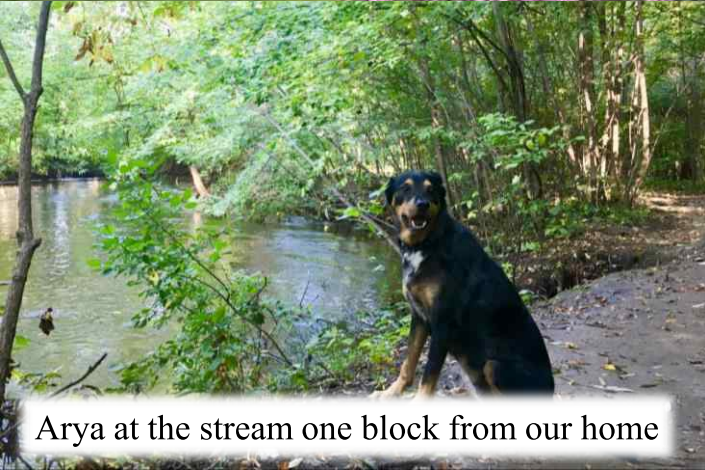
About our home and family



Our three-bedroom home on a quiet street with many families



We enjoy eating outside in the summer



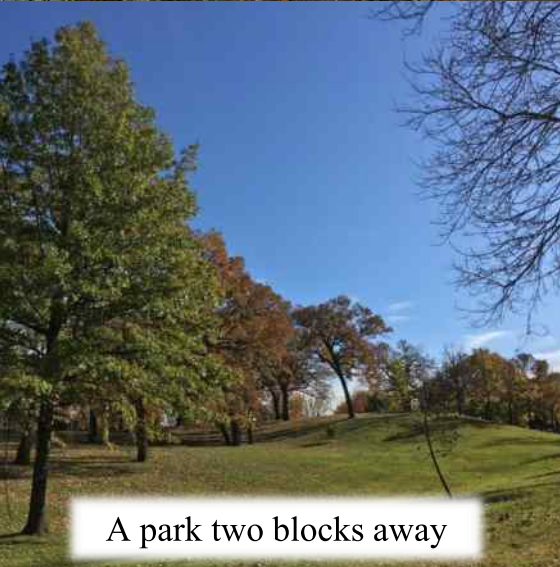
Arya at the stream one block from our home



Trip and Johanna



A nearby playground



A park two blocks away



Emily's family: her parents are very excited for a grandchild



Part of Emily's extended family



Mark's family all live nearby



We are waiting with open hearts to welcome a child into our home. We are committed to teaching your child about his or her heritage through both words and actions and by maintaining an open adoption with you. We will love and nurture your child and support his or her growth in all possible ways. We believe that the world is a beautiful and amazing place and will provide your child with every opportunity to grow and thrive in it.