

Dear Mz. Lee,

You helped me find my family in Oct 1998..I feel protective of their privacy and am unsure of what to share. But I am now almost 63 and it has been a wonderful blessing for our family to have benefited from your services.

My birthmother was deceased, birthfather unknown..but I am the oldest of an intact family of 5 sisters and 2 brothers. We have shared a wedding of our son, 3 new grandchildren and all four of our children have met 4 of my sisters and their families. This has been an amazing experience for us. In the Spring I was diagnosed w/ breast cancer and have just completed my chemotherapy. It has been especially helpful to know my birthfamily at this time. They are lovely people and live near my adoptive mom [95 years old]in Maryland and she has met them as well.

I just wanted to thank you for your work. While I have many friends [who are adoptive parents] who are frightened at the prospect of their adoptive children finding their real families; I believe they would be surprised at how this can enhance and broaden their lives and the love in their lives. I am sure that many families do not trust that this can go well, but I believe they have lack the faith that God will help and guide if asked.

Thank you again. God bless.

KT, NC



Hi Chris,

Just received the Fall Vanguard newsletter and had to send you a quick note. I am leaving in two days to visit my birth-daughter's parents for the second time. It has been three years (hard to believe!!) since you found my daughter and we have a great relationship. We visit, email, and telephone all the time. Her parents are the best and have been so supportive in our relationship. They have welcomed me into their home and my daughter has welcomed me into her life. What more could anyone ask for??!!

Just had to say thanks again.

JW,MO



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I would be absolutely delighted for you to use me as a reference. In fact, I have recommended your agency to several people already and have contemplated writing an article for the Pennsylvania Adoption Forum newsletter concerning your service. I think you guys are terrific! My only regret is that I did not contact you earlier.

I hope you are all well and please, please, feel free to use my name telephone number, and e-mail.

Take good care and best regards,

RK/PA

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Hi Chris!

I apologize for the delay in acknowledging receipt of your info. I actually received it within 10 minutes of your having sent it on Tuesday morning. It was certainly the most exciting e-mail I have ever received, and it was a very exciting day. My mother and two sisters and I were on the phone several times that day sharing the information with each other. That afternoon I made the big call to this long lost sibling. Of course she was in shock. It is hard to put into words the emotions of that day. Her adoptive mother happened to be on her back porch at the time. This adoptee half sister finally asked if she could call me back--she had to go talk to her mother. We talked again that evening. We exchanged e-mail addresses, she got my home address, and we plan to exchange pictures, etc. I think we are all in shock. We look forward to actually meeting her at some point. She did know that she was adopted. She had always wondered WHY?, but she had never tried to find any biologic relatives. She said that she has had a wonderful life and that a better adoptive family could not have been picked for her. It was comforting to hear all that.

Chris, thank you so much for finding her! I am very intrigued and fascinated by your whole search process. I was pleased with the amount of information that I received. She couldn't believe the amount of information that I had on her.

I'm sorry that I keep missing your calls, but I keep being at work on the days that you call. Fortunately, I was off on Tuesday when I received the exciting e-mail from you. I'm on my way to work again today, but I will be off tomorrow (Friday). I don't have any particular questions but we can certainly talk. I better run. Thank you so much!!!!

JD -GA

Hi Chris!!!!

This is totally amazing!!!! I am back in the emotional whirlwind of pure joy!!! I have just returned from my birthparents home and had the most amazing four days with my birth family. I'll try to start at the beginning.

On Sept 1. I received a letter from my brother stating that he had gotten a letter a few weeks prior. He thought it could be a hoax, but knew that it must be true that he had a sister, me, that was searching for her birthfamily. He spoke with his mother and siblings and after our mother confirmed it, he wrote me a letter. (The odd thing is that I don't know the person who wrote the letter, nor does he.

The letter I received from my brother was simply the best saying that he would like to get to know me. He gave me his number to call him if I wanted to know him. Of course I called immediately and for the next 8 hours, I was on the phone with both brothers, my parents, my sister and my niece. AMAZING!!!! We planned to get together Oct. 3. I thought that day would never come. We got there and everyone was so excited. I have never felt so loved. This family is wonderful...my family. The biggest surprise is that I didn't know that they had told my aunts and cousins, so when we get there, my sister asks me if I would like to meet the rest of the family that they had planned a get together for Sat. At first I was hesitate...not outwardly, but inside. So much, so fast, but I quickly realized this would be great. Yesterday, I met my aunts and some cousins and they were absolutely wonderful. Excited is an understatement. They all seem to want to get to know me and are planning another get together with the whole family. This is a big family and it feels good.

My mother is a totally different person now that I am not a secret. She is amazing..she is very happy about all this and she is feeling better physically. My father is happy as well and they both welcomed me home. Thursday was the first time I have ever been to their home. So much, so fast...I am in the clouds again.

Thank you...thank you...thank you! I never dreamed it would be this great! Amazing Grace...how sweet.

NB - VA

Hi Kl,

I guess this is the last time I will write you. Thank you for everything. I spent three days visiting my son and his family in his home. It was wonderful. He looks like me, he acts like me. I so love him. My daughter-in-law is beautiful and wonderful. My granddaughters are smart and beautiful. I so love having a family. I have been invited to spend my son's birthday with him. We like each other and are getting to know each other and becoming a real family.

I feel like I was dying and you saved my life. God Bless You.

JT-VA

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First Year Anniversary!

Hi , just a small note to tell you my reunion with my son has been absolutely wonderful. We are very very happy and I have a great relationship with the adoptive mother. It was a year on October 21st and I want to thank you for your services.

My friend I understand will soon be hiring your services as soon as he gains all the funds from the family. I helped him try to locate information at the same court house my son's was finalized. If I can be of any help for you in this areaplease let me know. I have emailed all the family parties involved to provide a recommendation in hopes that you will be able to help them. I will keep this in prayer as you search for theirs.

God Bless,  
JF - PA

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Hi Chris:

I just wanted to tell you that I found my birthfather. It wasn't hard since my birthmother gave me his name. I called him one night from Paris and he said he's been waiting for this call for 30 years. He is not married and doesn't have any other kids. I am an only child.

This case is amazing. I had no idea it would turn out like this. He called everyone in his family and I have been getting emails from aunts, uncles, cousins, and even grandparents. Everyone has welcomed me to the family and we are all flying to his sister's house this weekend to meet. So exciting!

My birthparents are two very different people and I have characteristics of each. This has been the most incredible week of my life and I sincerely thank you for your help.

-GL -TX/NY

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Hi Chris,

I wanted to let you know that I contacted my birthmother yesterday and did just what you said. She was shocked to hear from me and we didn't talk but 5 minutes but she suggested that we meet. She said she would call me today to set up a time but she was looking at Thursday! I just hope she calls. She seemed ok with the call and it was her suggestion that we meet. I'll keep you posted. Thanks again for your advise.

RH/NC

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Hi Chris,

I met with my birthmother on Thursday. I really liked her. We clicked really well. You were right, her family knows nothing about me but before I left she said she hoped we could somehow become a family. I don't know that that will happen but I was able to get some good information and I got some medical history which was good. I would be happy to be a reference for you.

Thanks again for all of your help.

RH-NC

Hi Chris,

I just want to tell you that my reunion in MINNESOTA was everything I could imagine. it went so well and everybody loved me and welcomed me.

I met my Grandparents on both sides, my mom and my sister who I love more than anything.

I have 4 aunts, 2 uncles and 13 first cousins. I am so proud like a parent is to their kids, does that make sense? I love them all. I finally know my identity, heritage, and my origin. Its time to move on with my life now. I thank god it went so well and thank you too.

Well I have to go now. Thank you so much for everything  
People like myself appreciate the fine work and dedication you do.

Sincerely  
BR/NC

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Absolutely - please use me as a reference.

BTW, our reunion with our daughter is continuing with great results. I could not have envisioned a better outcome.

SH/NC

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Chris,

Yes, you may use my e-mail (or my name for that matter) as a reference now or at any time in the future. I was very impressed with the speed and quality of your services.

Sincerely,  
DS-PA

Hi Chris... I am glad to hear from you. Of course, I would be delighted to provide a reference as to the validity and professionalism of your company and services. I can also testify to your personal service and caring personality. You are indeed a special person with a special agency. Things are going great... lots to tell but wild at work right now. One of these days I will either write you about the process or give you a call but I know how busy you are. You will not believe the outcome of my search. It was Godsent from above and has changed my entire life. My current struggle is how to tell my parents as I have become close with my birth parents. It is a story for the world for sure... Take care and God Bless you.

KG-MI

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Yes, it is fine to give my email address for a reference. My reunion has gone very well. I used an intermediary to initially contact my birthmother. Since then we have met and visited several times. I was amazed that she and her family live in the same small town that I was raised in. I actually worked with my aunt (my father's sister) at Dairy Queen while I was in high school. I have also met my birthfather. It has been a very fulfilling experience. I couldn't have done it without you.

PB-NC

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Chris,

You have my permission to use my e-mail address as a reference. Your service was outstanding! You put pieces of my puzzle together quickly.

Respectfully yours,  
MA-AZ

Hi Chris,

you sure can use my name as a reference. I am very happy with your work and I do refer you to others. On a happy note, my sisters and I happily reunited. We speak and see each other often. And this year Thanksgiving will be at my house, all 16 of us.

Have a wonderful holiday season. and thank you for everything.

DP-NY



Hi Chris, .....I would be more than happy to support you with references. In fact, I have told many about you already!!! My reunion went extremely well and my family has expanded ten fold. I have found such inner peace with your help. My son has 3 adopted siblings and the one sister has found both her b'parents...she is now the Black Sheep for searching! My Son is off the hook...he always wanted to search but was afraid of incurring the same wrath his sister has had to endure...he was extremely happy I searched and found him.... (Thanx to You) The sister and I have been trying to help another sibling find the truth about his past.

A brother is dying of cancer and would like to know the truth, but a very stubborn and secretive Adoptive Mom has refused him any information. She is 75 and I think she intends to take it to her grave....such a shame that he has no medical history and none to pass onto his sons either.

You are more than welcome to use my addy for reference:

Thanx again for all your help.

NM/AL



Chris

I would be willing to give your company a good reference.

My mother passed away a short time after our reunion but some of my half sisters have stayed in contact. I wish I would have started earlier, or used your service earlier.

Still no clues on my father.

JS



My reunion has been wonderful. I have a whole new family. When she came to visit, she told me there was another girl she put up for adoption the year before me. Now I have three sisters and three brothers. She is coming out next week to celebrate my birthday. We are very close, and it is great having sisters to pal around with.

YOu may use my email address as a reference. No problem.

Thanks again!!!

GD/NM



Dear Chris,

Sure. Feel free to use us as a reference. We will always be so grateful to you and your company for the work you did.

KK-NY



Chris,

Sure..... I will be glad to do whatever I need to do!

Yes, you can use me as a reference!

Things are still going good with me! Thanks for all you've done! You have made my life complete!

Thanks,

LM/nc



Dear KI - Yes, you can give my email address to any of your clients who wish to have reference. I'll be happy to do so. Just passed our one year reunion and will have both my son and his family and my daughter (who moved here) with us for Thanksgiving.

Life is good...

SM/NY

Dear Chris,

I would be more than happy to have you give my e-mail as a reference. Things have turned out better than I could have ever dreamed of! I've met a majority of my extended family in addition to my mother. We e-mail each other almost daily and have gotten together for two different trips. They are coming here for Thanksgiving. Although she'll never be my mom (no one could ever replace her!) she's become a very dear friend who knows me better than anyone and certainly better than my mom ever did! I can't thank you enough for the wonderful service you provide. I feel so wonderful now and I know I have brought a great deal of happiness to her as well.

CW/NY

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By all means, you can use me as a reference. A wonderful organization you have and I am soooo grateful. My mother and I talk all the time and see each other when we can.

BS/CA-NY

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Hi,

My reunion has exceeded any and all expectations. Going great!

Yes, please, use me as a reference. I give Kinsolving permission to give my email in reference.

May you enjoy continued success, you always have a place in my heart.

Thank you,

SF-MA

Dear Chris,

We are getting ready to change ISP service providers in the next month or so, so I'll send you that address when I get it.

I have been working such long hours and been so involved with my son's activities on the weekends that I haven't had a chance to write you. I met my birthmother this summer AND her parents--I was stunned that she told them about me because she hasn't told her children (her husband knows and has known for a long time). We have developed a great friendship, thanks in large part to email.

She doesn't know how I found her. In the first call, I responded (that I had a lot of help. I mentioned that I'd tried for years but that things were easier with the Internet. She was initially angry at the agency because she thought they had given her name to me, but I assured her they hadn't--it wasn't that easy!

Never in my wildest dreams did I think I'd be blessed enough to have this kind of friendship. I was prepared to maybe get some medical information and have that be about it. She's far more conservative than I am about a number of things, but she's not critical of my views. We don't have that mother-daughter or family baggage from over the years, and that makes things easy for us. We've enjoyed finding out our similarities and differences. God bless you for all your hard work--without you, this relationship would not have been possible.

JB/NC



Hi Chris! I've never been better. My son whom you found for me has been in touch with his father. Turned out that "father" was just diagnosed with "bad terminal" cancer just after the reunion. He fought it and went into remission for a few months but just got word today that he is slipping. He is planning to take vacation time to go be with his father. This would never have been possible without your service. You are making a whole lot of difference in a lot of people's lives. Yes, it is expensive to hire someone to do your search but I look at it this way, and tell other people.....how much do we pay for cars, boats, computers and the like? Do we finance them? How long do they last? You get what I mean? I'm sending another fellow to you, he's been in touch already. Unfortunately, he doesn't have much info but if his daughter can be found, I know you can do it.

Have a wonderful day and God Bless you both!  
JF/PA



Good Morning Chris,

Yes, all is well in my reunion. As a matter of fact, I am returning to work today after my long week-end in Las Vegas to meet my son for the first time. It was great and we will continue to communicate with each other.

Feel free to use my name as a reference. Without your help, I would have never found him.

Thanks again,

DB/NY



Chris, I just want to thank you for the AMAZING gift that you have given to me. I would like the opportunity to talk with you sometime to share my story with you. You located my birthfamily for me almost 2 years ago now and it has been the most incredible 2 years of my life. I am the youngest of 7 children. All of my family lives within 20 minutes of where I grew up and am currently living and I am enjoying such a wonderful time with each and every member of my family. There are so many coincidences it is scary!

Again, I am hoping that sometime we can talk and I can really share my story with you.

Thank you very much for the blessings that you have made possible in my life and for the assistance that you have given to me. I look forward to hearing from you. Take care and have a wonderful holiday.

Thanks  
ST/NY

Dear Chris,

I thought I would give you an update on what has happened since you did the search for my birthson - and thank you again, I am so glad we did it. After I had a couple of weeks to digest the information you provided, I was talking with my best friend since age 13, an attorney in Pittsburgh. I was telling her that I would really like to talk to his adoptive mom but was unsure about how to approach her. She immediately offered to call her for me that day - and set up for me to call her at home that night, which I did. After more than an hour of conversation, we agreed to communicate via email and that I would let her know when I would be back in Atlanta. She was wonderful!

My next trip home was scheduled for the first two weeks in November, I let her know as well as the birthfather, who also decided to visit at the same time. What an emotional, awesome, happy/sad occasion! With my husband's support, I met the birthfather again after 32+ years and dealt with and put to rest all of the baggage that both of us have carried for so long. We lunched with my son's adoptive mother, who shared stories and pictures with us (I lunched with her again alone, as well, where she gave me a photo to keep. We visited the cemetery and mausoleum where my birthson is buried and most ironically, the birthfathers family plot where he is to be buried is a stone's throw from our birthsons final resting place. It was a relief to finally un-bury the past, cry over the loss, and be able to move on. Even with everything, I know that I made the right decision in 1969 and that he had a loving family and a good life, much better than I (or we) could have given him at that time. And though it still saddens me and will always in some ways, I rejoice in his life. I am also thankful for the two sons I have and believe his birthfather, never having married, has had many more regrets and some difficulty in dealing with the situation. Because of the MS it concerns me, but I hope that he, too, is moving on.

I just thought you might be interested in the "rest of the story." Take care and "Happy Holidays" to you and your family.

Sincerely,  
CC/GA

Dear Chris,

I hope that this note finds you well. I think of you often.

I haven't had much to write about, but it took some teeth pulling to get the Son's attention and to get him out of the gate and running to me.

Finally, he told his Aparents about the Da' other Mother. They took it as well as they could, however he never gave me the particulars of that. He is a talker but slightly needs prompting to get the real story.

We had our face to face Tues. 1:00 pm. With a meeting at a neutral Bob Evans for lunch.

He is a hugger and a kisser and is a real sweet kid. He apparently was raised well. Looked spit shined as any military person, of which, he is still participating, the National Air Guard. Also served 6 yrs./Army. He soon will have 20 yrs. & will retire from that. Has a rank but don't recall. He has something to do with training of Ethics and regulations...etc. for newbies.

His educ. is in Computer tech. Mgt. is divorced recently and has a gal.

Could go on and on, I am well pleased that it came together as it did. Agony for 3 months, but who knows it may have all been for the best. Thought that you'd like to be informed.

Take care.

Yours Truly,  
JT/NY,PA



Dear Chris,

I hope you are doing well and your business prospering.

I have not contacted my son yet, I am trying to prepare for the first call. I had a quick question. Do you have any idea or can you lay your hands on any info that might lead me to a high school or college yearbook so that i might see a picture of him.

take care, and thank you for your wonderful speedy work, chris, even if he rejects me, it has been a load lifted to know he is ok

thanks for everything, it was worth every penny!!

MG - AL

You have my permission to use me as a reference. My re-union has been more than wonderful and it turned out she was also looking for me. Thanks for everything. I couldn't have done it with out your help. Have good holidays, regards and keep helping others.

CS/NY



Dear Chris

Yes I would be willing to have you give out my email address for purposes of providing a reference for you.

Everything is going well for me. my birthmother came to visit in October and we plan to meet in NYC early December to meet her husband and sons. She has become a wonderful grandmother to my children and we all couldn't be happier. thank you again for your excellent work

MF/NY



Dear Chris,,,,,, of course you can use me as a reference. My reunion was wonderful as it could be and couldnt be any better,  
Again a million thanks for a lifetime left of love-----

NF/DC



Dear Chris,

I met my beautiful daughter C on Aug.08,01, & I want to thank you again for helping me find her. She is beautiful-- brown curly hair & great big blue eyes. She is 5ft.9in. tall & weights 230lbs. Yes she is mentally retarded with the (6 to 12yr. old). Also Access Bipolar disorder, she takes med. & is usually very happy. I was able to hold her for the first time in (39)yrs. & tell her how much I love her. I also met her a-mom & her a-sister and her children. My husband took (20) pictures of C & myself & her family. Going to

Conneaut, PA. on Sun. 26 & staying overnite there. Having lunch @ with C& and her mom @ her mothers house. This is where she grew up. Thank you again, Love & Hugs,  
A - WA

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I would be pleased to provide references for your agency as I was very pleased that it took you guys only one month to provide the information that I had been unable to obtain for the last 20 years! The reunion with my daughter is progressing nicely too. Thanks again.

MS/NY

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Chris,

You certainly may give my email address to anyone who wants a reference. What more can I say..that without your agency, I probably would have never found my son. It has been a year now since we made our connection and in the past 11 months he has been here to visit me three times and I have been twice to his home in Georgia. We all have a wonderful relationship between families and I have truly been blessed. I will always be grateful to you and your staff for helping me have my dream become a reality.

Happy Thanksgiving,  
CS/GA

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Dear Chris... thanks for delivering my info so quickly.. I was really shocked since I definitely had reached the stage where I thought that it was a total impossibility.. and of course please feel free to give my email address to who ever wants it for a reference.. I have met with my brother in Virginia and his family and plan on staying in touch... Thanks again for giving me back my past... MM/CA/NY



That is no problem to use me as a reference. Thank you for all you did for me, even if it wasn't a positive reunion. I don't regret it at all. Have a wonderful holiday.

KB/GA

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Hi, I called my aunt Katherine on Saturday afternoon and approached her exactly as you advised. She almost didn't sound surprised to hear from me! She was just lovely, said she had been looking at faces for years wondering if one of them was me and that she had written a poem about me and been thinking about me a lot lately. We talked for a good 30 minutes and are planning to get together soon. She was in the delivery room when I was born and was the one who took me to CHS. She said she had lots of pictures of my mother and gave me good medical information. She will contact my mother's husband in Florida (he did know about me) and work out telling my brothers and my cousins. They sound like such nice people.

Thank you for all of your help. You have given me the only gift I ever wanted for Christmas and I'll never forget you. Have a wonderful holiday. kj

KJ/NC

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Hey there, You can use my email address if you would like. Your services were great. I did not get the results that I wanted after I made contact but that is not your issue. After I talked to my birthmother on the phone and got her to admit that she was my birthmother (she totally denied it until I pinned her down) I have tried several times to call her back with no answer. I gave her my phone number and address and she has never tried to call or even write me a letter. I have sent her several letters with pictures of my family (her grand kids) I even sent her a Christmas and Mother's day card. Still do not hear anything back from her.

Do you think that it would be a bad thing if I contacted her brother or sister? Or is that a big no no!

I just do not understand why she is being such about the entire deal. I don't want money or anything from her. I have my own life and wonderful wife and kids and

excellent job and family. I just thought that she might want to get to know me and her grand-children before she died. (I guess I got the answer I was looking for. She put me up for adoption because she did not want to have anything to do with me and she still doesn't.

(If she doesn't then she is the one missing out) I guess I had higher expectation from her and thought that she might be looking for me and could not find me. I do not have any hard feelings towards putting me up for adoption in most ways it was the best thing that ever happen to me. Do you think that she is worried about her new husband finding out about me? or do you think that she just does not want to have anything to do with me and I should leave it alone and not try and contact her again. Do you think that she is just (still) worried about her family finding out.

You deal with this kind of stuff all of the time. What do you think that I should do?

I was going to make a trip back to New York this summer and I was going to try and find some of my birth relatives and try and talk to them. I cancelled my trip after I thought about it. I did not want to freak anyone out!

Anyway, she knows my name, phone number and address so if she ever wants to talk to me she can.

She would not tell me my birth fathers name, she just said that she has not seen or heard from him in years.

Thanks again for all of your help to find her.  
RL/NY