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Atlanta Author Pens Memoir of Gay Couple's Journey to Parenthood

PopDaddy: Boy Meets Boy Meets Baby

Atlanta, GA, March XX, 2016..... In his first novel, Atlanta's Jeffrey Roach has penned a heartwarming, funny and ultimately universally accessible book that tells the story of he and his husband Ken's journey to becoming a family by adopting their son Jackson in Guatemala. Reader reaction is already overwhelmingly positive and the book is available on Amazon.com [now and coming to bookstores soon.]

A Kentucky native, Roach and his husband Ken Manford's lives take a sudden turn when their best friend announces she is pregnant. Turns out Ken wants a baby too, but at the time there were not many options for gay men. Thus begins a story of love, patience, family, the often complicated process of international adoption and a very personal look at the legal barriers same-sex couples face when creating a family.

Said author Jeffrey Roach: "As a young gay man in the 70s I couldn't imagine a future where I would not only be married to another man, but raising a son with him. I certainly never saw that kind of family in the movies, on TV or in the news. I was convinced that I would be on my own. But we have all seen how the world has changed dramatically for LGBT people and our families of choice are more and more visible. That said, there are still stories to be told. PopDaddy is one of those stories."

Roach continued: "I started working on PopDaddy in 2007 and I struggled with how to tell such a big story. Last year I picked it up again and decided I needed to write it like a novel instead of a traditional memoir. That meant including lots of dialog, lots of emotion and, more than anything else, lots of humor. Within a few months I had a draft of the entire book. Soon after the book was finished. Once the book was available a reader left a comment on my web page saying that 'growing up gay he never dreamed of a future for himself where he was allowed to be a father.' That's why I wrote this book. To give boys like me permission to have that dream. To show them what's possible."

When asked how he feels about having a book written about him, Jeffrey's son said, "It's cool I guess." It turns out that teenagers are teenagers, whether their parents are gay, straight or otherwise.

For a galley of the book please contact cathy@targetcue.com and specify if you would like an e-galley or hard copy.

More information about PopDaddy can be found at:

<http://www.popdaddy.com/>

For photos of the family and their circle of support go here:

<http://www.popdaddy.com/#portfolio>