

Love's Journey

Welcome family and friends

Today is a day of celebration. It is the day that _____ & _____ have asked us to join them to witness and celebrate with them their wedding, the day of joining two lives into one. It is a day of uniting family and friends, it is day where we can take time from our busy lives, to celebrate and rejoice together such a beautiful heartfelt occasion.

Address:

_____ & _____ take a moment to look around at your family and friends. They are here not because you invited them; they could have declined your invitation. They are here because of love. Being in love is not when you think you are. It's when the people around you can tell, and all of your family and friends can tell you are in love. They are here to witness the magic of love, the exchanging of rings, your vows of commitment to each other and to continue to provide you both with support and guidance as you begin your new journey in life as husband and wife.

You are two friends who decided to journey together towards a common destination called marriage. Before you began this journey remember there will be days, when one of you will want to walk along the mountain path, while the other may prefer the valley, but always come together at the end of the day and share your experiences. There will be days when one will want to sing and dance, while the other will prefer to travel in quietness, so you will choose different paths, but take time to meet at the close of the day and be content sharing your experiences. There will be days when one may want to rest, while the other may want to move further along the path, but at the right time you will come together and be happy that each has fulfilled their own needs. There will be days when you shall travel together as one as like today your wedding day. If you can respect the other's need while still fulfilling your own, then your journey together will be an experience to rejoice in.

In just a few moments you're going to say your vows to one another. Before we do that I would like to share a reading with you; a wedding reading

Wedding Reading

You share the joy of a deep commitment
And a sacred trust, and you have given each other
The most precious gift of love
Treasure it, nurture it and encourage it
With all the honesty you used in creating it
You are sharing something rare and beautiful
Always speak the truth and listen attentively
So that you may understand each other's thoughts and intentions
Inspire each other by sharing your accomplishments
Say I love you often to retain the warmth between you
Laugh a lot too, even when you are angry
Remember you are each other's best friend
Stand together and for each other always

May each day be a blessing
And the fulfillment of your dreams.

Declaration of Intent

If you Are you ready _____ & _____ to begin your lives as husband and wife Please face each other and join hands:

Vows:

You may choose:

1. Repeat after Vows ~ Your own selection or traditional vows
2. Respond " I DO" ~ Your own selection or traditional "I Do" vows
3. Your own vows

Rings:

May I have the rings?

Since these rings are symbols of the marriage, the circle of love that never ends, whenever you look at it, remember this joyous day and the vows we've made here today.

1. You may choose your own words to say to each other
2. Traditional " With this ring I thee Wed"
3. You may choose a selection and repeat after

You may include a ritual here:

(See the ritual/options selections)

Blessing:

May your home be filled with laughter and the warm embrace of a summer day. May you find peacefulness and beauty, challenge, and satisfaction, humor and insight, healing and renewal, love and wisdom, as in a quiet heart. May you always feel that what you have is enough.

Pronouncement:

_____and _____ have declared before us today your commitment to each other, and having symbolized your marriage with the exchanging of rings.

By the power vested in me I pronounce _____ & _____ as husband and wife.

Kiss

You may kiss each other for the first time as husband and wife!

Introduction

I would like to introduce to you Mr. & Mrs. _____