

Civil Ceremony One
Two Guys and a Wedding

All rise

Please be seated

Who gives this bride

Welcome

Welcome, family, friends and loved ones. We gather here today to celebrate the wedding of Groom and Bride. You have come here to share in this formal commitment they make to one another, to offer your love and support to this union, and to allow Groom and Bride to start their married life together surrounded by the people dearest and most important to them.

So welcome to one and all, which have traveled from near and far. Groom and Bride thank you for your

presence here today and now ask for your blessing, encouragement, and lifelong support, for their decision to be married.

Reading #1- Optional

Suggestions for a good marriage

A good marriage must be created.

In marriage the "little" things are the big things.

It is never being too old to hold hands.

It is remembering to say, "I love you" at least once a day.

It is never going to sleep angry.

It is standing together and facing the world.

It is speaking words of appreciation, and demonstrating gratitude in thoughtful ways.

It is having the capacity to forgive and forget.

It is giving each other an atmosphere in which each can grow.

It is a common search for the good and the beautiful.

It is not only marrying the right person -- it is being the right partner

Officiate

No ceremony can create your marriage; only you can do that, through love and patience, through dedication and perseverance; through talking and listening, helping and supporting and believing in each other; through tenderness and laughter; through learning to forgive, learning to appreciate your differences, and by learning to make the important things matter, and to let go of the rest.

This ceremony is to affirm the love you have for one another in the presence of your friends and family. The symbolic vows that you are about to make are a way of saying to one another, "You know all those things that we've promised, and hoped, and dreamed- well, I meant every word."

Look at one another and remember this moment in time.

Before this moment you have been many things to one another- acquaintance, friend, companion, even teacher, for you have learned much from one another these past few years.

Shortly, you shall say a few words that will take you across a threshold of life, and things between you will never be quite the same. For after today you shall say to the world- This is my husband. This is my wife.

Please join hands

I, Groom take you Bride to be my wife, my partner in life and my one true love. I will cherish our friendship and love you today, tomorrow, and forever.

I will trust you and honor you

I will laugh with you and cry with you.

Through the best and the worst,

Through the difficult and the easy.

Whatever may come I will always be there.

As I have given you my hand to hold

So I give you my life to keep

I, Bride take you Groom to be my Husband, my partner in life and my one true love. I will cherish our friendship and love you today, tomorrow, and forever.

I will trust you and honor you

I will laugh with you and cry with you.

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I Do's

Groom, do you take Bride to be your Wife? ("I do")

Do you promise to love, honor, cherish and protect her, forsaking all others and holding only unto her forevermore? ("I do")

Bride, do you take Groom to be your Husband? ("I do")

Do you promise to love, honor, cherish and protect him, forsaking all others and holding only unto him forevermore? ("I do")

Ring Ceremony

The ring is a symbol of the unbroken circle of love.

Love freely given has no beginning

And no end, no giver and no receiver for each is the giver and each is the receiver.

May these rings always remind you of the vows you make here today.

Ring Exchange

May I please have the rings?

Groom, please repeat after me and place this ring on Bride's finger

I Groom, give you Bride, this ring as a symbol of my love, my faith in our strength together,

and my covenant to learn and grow with you.

Bride, please repeat after me and place this ring on
Groom's finger

I Bride, give you Groom, this ring as a symbol of my
love, my faith in our strength together,
and my covenant to learn and grow with you.

To make your relationship work will take love. This is
the core of your marriage and why you are here
today.

It will take trust, to know, that in your hearts, you truly
want what is best for each other.

It will take dedication, to stay open to one another -
and to learn and grow together

It will take faith to go forward together not knowing
exactly what the future brings

And it will take commitment, to hold true to the journey
you both have pledged to today.

Now you will feel no rain,
for each of you will be shelter to the other.
Now you will feel no cold,
for each of you will be warmth to the other.
Now you will feel no loneliness,
for each of you will be companionship to the other.
Now you are two persons, but there is one life
between you.
So go now to your dwelling place
to enter into the days of your life together.
And may your days be good and long upon the earth.

By the power vested to me by the state of South
Carolina, I now pronounce you husband and wife

You may now kiss the bride

Ladies and Gentlemen, I proudly introduce to you for
the 1st time. Mr and Mrs. Fried (pronounced Freed)