# Bethanie and Victor The Mount Washington Hotel January 6, 2020 4:00 pm

#### 4:00

- Guest are seated in the conservatory
- Piano playing soft relaxing music
- Kim to stand in front of fireplace
- Fireplace is turned off

#### 4:15 - Procession

- Music
- Bill walks Sandy to seat
- James, Ben, Ike, Poli, Vijay, Stefan and Victor walk from left in front of fireplace to viewers right
- Starr, MC, Amy, Janet, Linda, Darlene, Hazel and Ava walk in Conservatory around back and down the aisle. Hazel joins Stefan(Jaclyn sitting in front row, rt) and Ava joins Darlene(Tom sitting in front row, lt)
- Music
- Bethanie and Bill walk into conservatory around back and up aisle.
- At end of isle Bill kisses Beth on cheek, hugs Victor, then sits with Sandy in front row,
- Beth hands her bouquet to Sandy and holds Victors hands.

# **Greeting/introduction**:

Welcome everyone and thank you for joining us on this very special occasion. We are gathered here today to honor and celebrate the coming together of Bethanie Degnan and Victor Waryas in the friendship, loyalty, and the love of marriage. Through this ceremony they wish to express that the love and union of their hearts and spirits has led them to promise to ski together down life's trails. They wish this reverence for life and love, their vows and prayers, and the blessing and support of their close friends and family to be the ground of their marriage ceremony.

#### Prayer:

And now Vijay will perform the first reading.

God, creator, parent of all of us, please protect the ones we love. We honor all you have created as Victor and Bethanie pledge their hearts and lives together. We honor Earth, our mother, and ask that their marriage be abundant and grow stronger with the seasons; we honor fire, and ask that their union be warm and glowing with the love in their heart; we honor wind, and ask that they will sail through life safe and calm as in our Father's arms; we honor water, to clean and soothe their relationship, that it may never thirst for love. We pray for harmony and true happiness as they forever grow old and young together. Amen.

Would Virginia and Sandra please come up and light the tapered candles symbolizing Bethanie and Victor's past, their families and their individuality

They then return to their seats.

## **Intentions:**

Victor, will you have Bethanie as your wife, in times of good fortune as well as adversity, forsaking all others to be a kind and faithful husband? Do you promise to base your life with Bethanie on love, caring, and understanding? Will you speak and listen, give and receive, and be considerate of her wishes and desires? Do you promise to carry her skis and bring her hot chocolate? Do you promise to remain by her side in sickness and in health for as long as you both shall live?

Victor says: "I will"

Bethanie, will you have Victor as your Husband, in times of good fortune as well as adversity, forsaking all others to be a kind and faithful wife? Do you promise to base your life with Victor on love, caring, and understanding? Will you speak and listen, give and receive, and be considerate of his wishes and desires? Do you promise to bake him chocolate chip cookies

whenever he wants? Do you promise to remain by his side in sickness and in health for as long as you both shall live?

Bethanie says: "I will"

# Reading:

Darlene, Beth's best friend for the last 21 years will now perform the reading from Corinthians.

From Corinthians 13. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.

### Vows:

Please repeat after me Victor,

I, Victor, take you Bethanie,
My faithful friend and love,
To have and to hold from this day forward.

I will share my life with you.
I promise to be a faithful mate,
And to be honest with you.

I will share and support Your hopes, your dreams and goals, I vow to always be there for you, In sickness and in health, I will respect and love you always. Bethanie please repeat after me,

I, Bethanie take you Victor,
My faithful friend and love,
To have and to hold from this day forward.

I will share my life with you.
I promise to be a faithful mate,
And to be honest with you.

I will share and support Your hopes, your dreams and goals, I vow to always be there for you, In sickness and in health, I will respect and love you always.

# Rings:

The rings which you are about to exchange are symbols of eternity, each a circle which has no end. Let the rings be a reminder of the promises you have given to each other, and of the love that you share.

Stefan hands the rings to Kim.

Please repeat after me Victor

Bethanie, I give you this ring as a symbol Of our joining of heart and soul, May you wear it with peace and joy.

Please repeat after me Bethanie,

Victor, I give you this ring as a symbol Of our joining of heart and soul, May you wear it with peace and joy.

## **Unity Candle:**

Bethanie and Victor if you would now light the Unity candle using the candles your mothers have lit. This Unity candle symbolizes the joining of two souls in love and marriage and leaving the two tapers lit symbolizes their individuality that they will keep

<u>Victor</u> and <u>Bethanie</u> each grab a tapered candle and together light the unity candle.

### **Pronouncement:**

And now, it gives me great pleasure to say, by the power vested in me by the State of New Hampshire, I now pronounce you Husband and Wife. Victor you may kiss your Bride!

- Music starts to play.
- Victor and Bethanie: KISS:)
- Victor and Bethanie: Walk back down the aisle and around and out of the conservatory on the main dining room side.
- Bridal party joins two by two down and out.
- Front row (parents) follow, then rest of guests.