

Nora and Steve
Bretton Woods, NH
December 26th, 2015
6:00 pm

Welcome:

Welcome everyone and thank you for joining us on this very special occasion. We are honored that you could join us here today.

Intentions:

Nora, will you have Steve 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 Steve on love, caring, and understanding? Do you pledge to speak and to listen, to give and receive, and to be considerate of his wishes and desires?

Nora: I will

Steve, will you have Nora 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 Nora on love, caring, and understanding? Do you pledge to speak and to listen, to give and receive, and to be considerate of her wishes and desires?

Steve: I will

Vows:

Nora, please repeat after me

I, Nora, take you Steve
To be my wedded husband
To have and to hold
From this day forward
For richer or poorer
In sickness and in health
To love and to cherish
For as long as we both shall live.

Steve, please repeat after me

I, Steve, take you Nora
To be my wedded wife
To have and to hold
From this day forward
For richer or poorer
In sickness and in health
To love and to cherish
For as long as we both shall live.

Rings:

The rings that you are about to exchange mark the beginning of a long journey together. They are also a symbol of infinity, time without end. Let your rings be a reminder of your union, and of the love that you share. As a ring is unbroken, so will your love for each other be without end.

Nora, as you place the ring on Steve's finger, please repeat after me:

The words I say to you now
are words I say in friendship, respect, and love.
I see in you a strong, growing partner,
the person with whom I wish to share my life.
I offer you all the days before me,
no matter what may come our way.
I freely take you as my husband.
Take this ring as a symbol of my commitment.

Steve, as you place the ring on Nora's finger, please repeat after me:

The words I say to you now
are words I say in friendship, respect, and love.
I see in you a strong, growing partner,
the person with whom I wish to share my life.
I offer you all the days before me,
no matter what may come our way.
I freely take you as my wife.
Take this ring as a symbol of my commitment.

Pronouncement:

Today I am privileged to share with you the moment you begin your new life together. In the years ahead, may you always apply tenderness and strength to the trials that may befall you. May your love be a shield from the unpredictability of life. May you remember to rejoice in good times and good fortune and may you always appreciate the life that you found with each other.

Closing:

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. You may kiss your bride!