Carolann and Angela

February 29th, 2020

2:00 pm

Swift River Bridge

**The story:**

God has brought Carolann and Angela together and on this day, in his presence, two hearts will become one. They have chosen this beautiful covered bridge to begin their married life. It represents how each one will shelter the other from life’s storms and to bring together two sets of friends and families.

This New Hampshire scenery also represents the times they have spent with each other exploring mountains, lakes and forest as places of joy, respite, discovery and shared love. From the moment they’ve met they have become inseparable.

**Intentions:**

Carolann, will you take Angie for your life partner and wife in times of adversity as well as good fortune? Do you promise to accept the Soucy Dames and her endless hockey season? Do you pledge to speak and listen, to give and receive, and to be considerate of her wishes and desires? Do you promise to give the highest priority to the tenderness, gentleness, and kindness that your connection deserves?

Carolann: I will

Angela, will you take Carolann for your life partner and wife in times of adversity as well as good fortune? Do you promise to carry Carolann’s schoolbags and endless gear? Do you promise to bring her coffee in bed on Sunday mornings? Do you pledge to speak and listen, to give and receive, and to be considerate of her wishes and desires? Do you promise to give the highest priority to the tenderness, gentleness, and kindness that your connection deserves?

 Angela: I will

**Vows:**

Carolann, please repeat after me

Angie, I take you to be my best friend,

my faithful partner and my one true love.

I promise to encourage you and inspire you

and to love you truly

through times of raging storms and peaceful sunsets.

I will forever be there to laugh with you,

to lift you up when you are down

and to love you unconditionally

through all of our adventures in life together.

Angela, please repeat after me:

Carolann, I take you to be my best friend,

my faithful partner and my one true love.

I promise to encourage you and inspire you

and to love you truly

through times of raging storms and peaceful sunsets.

I will forever be there to laugh with you,

to lift you up when you are down

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**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.

Carolann, as you place the ring on Angie’s finger, please repeat after me:

Angie, please take this ring as a symbol of our vows.

Know that I love you

And I will treasure our friendship

and love you today, tomorrow, and forever.

Angie, as you place the ring on Carolann’s finger, please repeat after me:

Carolann, please take this ring as a symbol of our vows.

Know that I love you

And I will treasure our friendship

and love you today, tomorrow, and forever.

**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 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 spouses for life. You may kiss your bride!