

Martha and Jeffrey
April 15th, 2025
North Conway, NH
5:00 pm

Welcome:

Martha and Jeffrey today is not the beginning of your story, but a beautiful continuation of it.

You met in high school - just teenagers then, but even in those early days, there was something unmistakable between you. A connection that felt bigger than the moment you were in. Over the years, life unfolded in all its messy, beautiful ways. You grew up together, weathered distance, learned what it meant to hold on and let go - and, more importantly, what it meant to find your way back.

Through it all, your love endured. It deepened. It became a quiet, steady truth in both of your lives. And now, in the same state where you first realized you loved one another, you're choosing each other all over again - with open hearts and full commitment.

There are no crowds here, no big audience. Just the three of you - exactly as it should be. This ceremony isn't about putting on a show. It's about the two of you, and your son, standing

here in love, committing to what you already know in your hearts: that this is forever.

Intentions:

Ashton, your mom and dad already love you more than words can say. But today, they're making a special promise - to not just be husband and wife, but to always be your team. They promise to support you, protect you, laugh with you, and walk through life together - with you, always. Do you promise to be part of this team - with your whole heart?

Ashton: I do

Martha, through everything that has brought you to this moment, do you promise to stand beside Jeffrey through all of life's ups and downs? To love him with patience, speak with honesty, and be his steady support through both the good and the bad? Do you promise to protect the life you've built together and to keep choosing him for as long as you shall live?

Martha: I do

Jeffrey, through everything that has brought you to this moment, do you promise to walk with Martha through anything that comes your way? To love her with patience, speak with honesty, and stay fully committed to the bond you share? Do you promise to always be open with her,

stand beside her as her partner, and to honor the life you've created by continuing to choose her for the rest of your days?

Jeffrey: I do

Vows:

Martha, please repeat after me

I, Martha, take you Jeffrey
To be my husband, my partner, and my best friend
You have been the love of my life as long as I can remember
And every part of me feels at home with you
I vow to love you through it all
The calm, the chaos, and everything in between
I vow to support your dreams
To protect your peace
And to love you without condition
With Ashton by our side,
I vow to choose us every single day
For richer or poorer
In sickness and in health
For as long as we both shall live

Jeffrey, please repeat after me

I, Jeffrey, take you Martha
To be my wife, my partner, and my best friend
I have been in love with you since the beginning
And everything makes more sense when I'm with you
I vow to always be honest with you
To stand beside you
To support and protect you
And to love you through every stage in life
With Ashton by our side,
I vow to choose us every single day
For richer or poorer
In sickness and in health
For as long as we both shall live

Exchange of Rings:

Ashton, may we have the rings please?

These rings that you are about to exchange mark the beginning of an everlasting journey together. They are symbols of everything you've already built - love, partnership, and family. As you exchange them now, let them be a reminder of the promises you're making today and the life you're choosing together. As a ring is unbroken, so will your love for each other be without end.

Martha, as you place this ring on Jeffrey's finger, please repeat after me

Jeffrey, with this ring
I give you my love, my trust, and my promise
To be true to you always
And to choose you today, tomorrow and forever
Please take this ring as a symbol of our vows

Jeffrey, as you place this ring on Martha's finger, please repeat after me

Martha, with this ring
I give you my heart, my loyalty, and my promise
To be true to you always
And to choose you every day
For the rest of my life
Please take this ring as a symbol of our vows

Necklace Exchange:

Before we close, Martha and Jeffrey would like to share one final moment. Ashton, today isn't just about your parents' love for each other - it's about the family the three of you have created. And to honor that, your mom and dad have a special gift for you: this necklace, a symbol of the promise they're making not just to each other, but to you. It's a reminder that you were here, in the heart of this day, and that you'll always be part of this

love, this team, and this future.

(Martha and Jeffrey place the necklace around Ashton's neck)

Let this be something you carry with you always - knowing how deeply you are loved, and how proud your parents are to have you by their side.

Pronouncement:

Today I am privileged to share with you the moment you begin your new life together. In the years ahead, may your love always be your home – a place of comfort, courage, laughter, and deep understanding. May it carry you through life's changing seasons, with tenderness in the hard times and celebration in the good. May you never forget how lucky you are to have found each other, and how lucky Ashton is to grow up wrapped in the love you share.

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. Jeffrey, you may kiss your bride.

(Kiss, then Ashton comes in for a family hug)

Let this hug mark the beginning of your next chapter – a life built on love, honesty, and a promise to always choose each other.

Family says: One family. One team. Always.