

NON-DENOMINATIONAL CEREMONY #2

Minister: With great joy, we come together to join this man, Groom, and this woman, Bride, in matrimony.

This marriage is an event in the lifetime of a love. Neither all society, nor I can join these two lovers today. Only they can do what they have chosen. They are joining themselves, each to the other. As they find union with one another, they proclaim that union today and pledge its future. We, by our participation in this celebration, do but recognize and honor their intention to dwell together as husband and wife.

GROOM: I promise you Bride that I will be your loving and loyal husband from now on. I will share with you all of life's joy and sorrow, pleasure and pain, until death parts us.

BRIDE: I promise you Groom that I will be your loving and loyal wife from now on. I will share with you all of life's joy and sorrow, pleasure and pain, until death parts us.

RING CEREMONY

MINISTER: Each of you has rings for each other. Would you exchange them?

As they are exchanging rings, the minister says: As a ceaseless reminder of this our, and of the promise you have made to each other, these rings also speak of the oneness you now experience as husband and wife. 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 a companion to the other. Now you are two bodies, but there is only one life before you. Go now to your dwelling place, to enter the days of your life together.

And may your days be good, and long upon the earth.

Because they have so affirmed, in love and knowledge of the other, so also do I declare that Groom and Bride are now?

HUSBAND AND WIFE.

Groom you may now kiss your Bride!!