**Marriage Licenses**

**Requirements:**

**Age 18 and over:** All individuals MUST provide either a valid, government-issued form of identification with photo, name, and date of birth, or a valid passport.

**Age 16 – 17:** A minor the age of sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) years must provide a certified birth certificate from the state or country they were born in. Both parents, if living, who are shown on the minor’s birth certificate must sign a written consent allowing the minor to apply for the marriage license. A written consent may be provided in person at the Clerk’s Office, or if not in person, through a notarized statement. If one parent is deceased, a certified copy of the death certificate must be provided. The parent signing the consent form in person, must present current photo identification, which shows their name as shown on the minor’s birth certificate. Unless a parent is deceased, if one parent is unable or unwilling to sign the consent form, then the minor must obtain an authorization to marry from the District Court and provide a certified copy of the court order to the County Clerk for filing.

**Age under 16:** A District Court order is required (no alternative), along with the documents listed above.

**OTHER REQUIREMENTS:** Both applicants must be present at the time of the marriage license application process. A fee of $25.00 (CASH OR DEBIT ONLY) must be paid at the time the license is issued.

**NOT REQUIRED:** NO blood test. NO waiting period prior to obtaining a marriage license. NO expiration on license.

**Marriage Arrangements:**

Marriage ceremonies may be performed in ANY county in the State of New Mexico. Individuals are responsible for making their own marriage arrangements. For a civil ceremony in Union County, the following is the name and phone number of the court that can perform a marriage ceremony by appointment:

Probate Court – (575) 374-9491

The marriage license must be finalized with the County Clerk’s Office within **90 days from the date of marriage**.

**Wedding Information:**

The Union County Probate Judge is available to officiate wedding ceremonies free of charge. Ceremonies may be performed in English and are generally performed in the Union County Courthouse. If you do not have witnesses, two can be provided upon request. To make reservations or check availability, contact the Probate Judge at (575) 374-9491. *Reservations are HIGHLY encouraged.*