

**CHERISHED MEMORY WEDDINGS:
A FUN AND FAST WEDDING CEREMONY**

I N T R O D U C T I O N

OFFICIANT (to Audience):

Family, friends, others who are not quite sure why they're here, welcome and please be seated quickly. _____ and _____ have requested a short wedding ceremony and as I don't want to disappoint, let's not dilly dally!

It's traditional for the officiant, me, to give a speech about love and commitment and two hearts becoming one, which is medically speaking extremely dangerous, but in the interest of time let me just say: Love, compassion, friendship, playfulness, kindness, stuff like that. Try your best to do all those things as much as you can. Repeatedly. Daily even!

And now let's zoom past all the boring stuff and get right to the "I do" part.

D E C L A R A T I O N O F I N T E N T

OFFICIANT (to Couple):

You want this guy/gal/person as your husband /wife /partner /spouse? To cherish and hold and all the other things they say in the movies? If so, please indicate by saying “I do!”

BRIDE I do.

OFFICIANT (to GROOM):

You want this guy/gal/person to be your husband /wife /partner /spouse? To cherish and hold and all the other things they say in the movies? If so, please indicate by saying “I do!”

GROOM : I do.

V O W / R I N G E X C H A N G E

OFFICIANT (to couple):

Present the rings...quick before they depreciate in value even more!

Rings are circles – but then so are donuts, hula hoops and trampolines. What I'm trying to say is let these rings, not only be a symbol of your love for one another but also a reminder to be sweet, have fun, take care of each other in good time and yucky times, and make sure to jump on trampolines every once in a while, together.

C U S T O M V O W S (Optional)

(Here, couple may read their pre-written vows as they exchange rings).

C L O S I N G S T A T E M E N T

OFFICIANT (to Audience):

I can understand why _____ and _____ were in a rush. You can tell they are so in love they just wanted to be married ASAP! *I get it.*

OFFICIANT (to couple):

But in this mad dash world with thousands of things demanding your attention 24/7, don't forget to slow down every once in a while.

And, remember some key rules-of-the married-road: say I love you at least one per day...never go to bed angry...never get too old to hold hands...cherish this day... and most of all enjoy each other and your new, wonderful life together.

P R O N O U N C E M E N T

OFFICIANT (to Audience):

By the power vested in me by the State of Bewilderment and the Universal Life Church, *yada, yada, yada*, I am pleased as punch to officially introduce Mr./Mrs./Mx. and Mr./Mrs./Mx.

_____.

And now for the first time as a married couple, you may now kiss the bride... and please, take your time.

CONGRATULATIONS!