

# Marriage Ceremony

*Written by Marnie Watley*

We are gathered here today for the purpose of uniting in marriage \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Please remember that love, loyalty, and understanding are the foundations of a happy and enduring home.

By entering into this marriage, you are pledging yourselves to a lifetime in which each will enrich the life of the other. You will be partners standing together to cushion the difficulties of life. Rejoice in your partner's graces. Nurture your marriage carefully and watch it grow gracefully.

No other human ties are more tender, and no other vows more important than those you now assume.

Do you, \_\_\_\_\_, take \_\_\_\_\_ to be your spouse?

Do you, \_\_\_\_\_, take \_\_\_\_\_ to be your spouse?

I, \_\_\_\_\_, take you \_\_\_\_\_ to be my lawfully wedded spouse; to have and to hold from this day forward. I promise to love and comfort you in sickness and in health, for richer or for poorer, for better or for worse, and forsaking all others, be faithful to you as long as I live.

(Repeat for spouse)

Please place the ring upon the other's finger and repeat after me:

I give you this ring in token and pledge of my constant faith and abiding love. With this ring, I thee wed.

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, grow gently with each other and build a relationship you can both enjoy being a part of. May you encourage each other in whatever you set out to achieve. May you continue to love each other forever, remembering always to be each other's best friend.

Now that you have joined yourselves in matrimony, may you strive all your lives to meet this commitment with the same love and devotion that you now possess.

By virtue of the authority vested in me as City Clerk for the City of Livermore, County of Alameda, State of California, I now pronounce you married under the laws of the State of California.