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I would like to say a special thank you to all of the beautiful brides in our 2019 local brides section that makes each magazine better than the one before. From meeting new advertisers, planning and coordinating each story, and seeing everything come together, this year has been the best one yet. Each local bride took the extra step to make their day unique and memorable. Brides-to-be, this is the perfect place to share your wedding with your friends, family and all the Tennessee Valley area so they can be inspired by your ideas and details.

I love meeting new brides, and I look forward to helping you share your special day with the Tennessee Valley.

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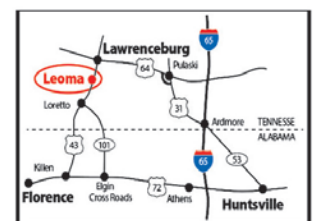
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BRADFORD FARM AND VENUE, TOWN CREEK, ALABAMA

brooklyn terry cage williamson

Parents of the Bride: Miller and Sonya Terry, of Muscle Shoals, AL

Parents of the Groom: Stephen and Sherri Williamson, of Hazel Green, AL

Grandparents of the Bride: the late Vernon and Mavis Terry, of Moulton, AL

Godparents: Ronnie and Brenda Masterson, of Town Creek, AL

Groom's Grandparents: Thomas and Mildred Taylor, of Weedowee, AL
James and Margaret Canada of Oxford, AL
Gordon "Doc" Williamson and the

late Anna Williamson, of Talladega, AL

Brayleigh Terry, sister of the bride, served as Maid of Honor
Bridesmaids were Kaitlyn Williamson, groom's sister, Bailey Weber, Britny Kirkpatrick, Summer Williamson, Jenniffer Stewart, all friends of the bride.

Seth Williamson, brother of the groom, served as Best Man

Groomsmen were Taylor Kosman, Zane Woodard, Steven Bugg, Nathan Woodard, Jesse Rogers, all friends of the groom.

Pastor Neal Wright officiated the ceremony

Wedding Director: Shannon Agee

Floral Design: Bradford Farm

Ceremony Music: Spike and Bridget Cleghorn

Caterer: Southern Skillet Catering

Wedding Cake: Heather's Cake Creations, Heather Poole



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Mr. and Mrs. Cage Terry, est. 2019.



Brooklyn and Cage chose the open-air chapel for their ceremony at Bradford Farms.



Grooms Cake: Hamley Bake Shoppe,
Stephanie Hamley

Reception Entertainment:
Jazz Saxophonist Taylor Kosman
and Spike and Bridget Cleghorn (DJs)

Bride's Attire Details
Dress: Morilee by Madeline Gardner from
Bella's Bridal in Hoover, AL
Veil: Bella's Bridal
Shoes: Badgley Mischka
Earrings: Mary's Bridal

Hair Stylist: Aleesha Crowe at Rockin'
Noggins Hair Studio

Makeup Artist: Kelsey South Munday at
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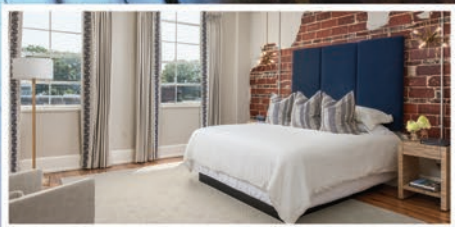
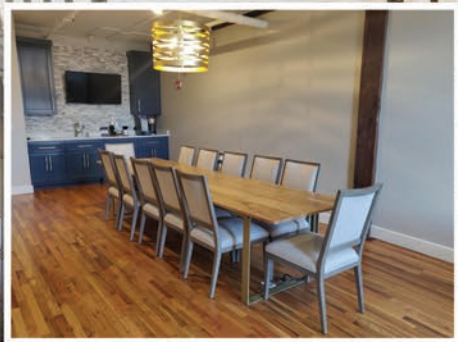


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Wedding cake provided by Heather's Cake Creations.



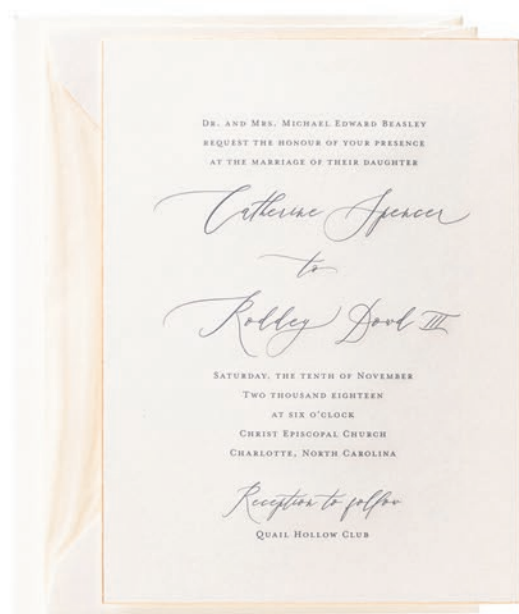


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Bridesmaids wore black strapless Vera Wang dresses.



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monica aday

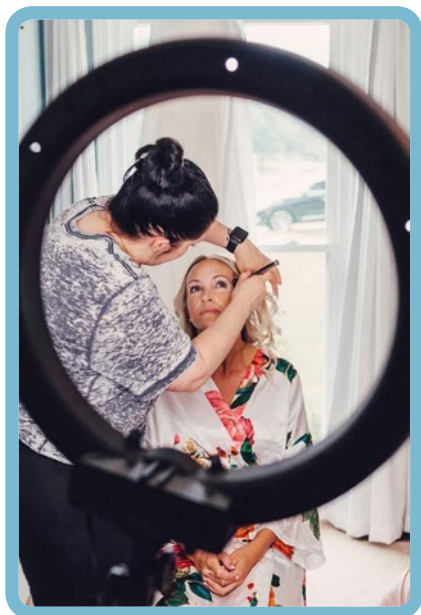
Bio: I was born into the makeup world with my mom being a Mary Kay distributor when I was young. I started dabbling in makeup around the age of 16. After college I began working with clients for special events, proms, and weddings. Monica Aday Makeup, LLC came to life in 2014. At that time I began consulting clients and teaching makeup classes on how to use their own makeup and brushes. My makeup business expanded across the Shoals so I decided to return to cosmetology school in 2016. I received my certificate and became licensed as a cosmetologist and esthetician. In 2017, I won the Skills USA State Championship with my skin and makeup skills and went on to be the fifth overall in the nation. I currently co-own H&M Salon and Spa, LLC in Killen where I specialize in makeup, hair, and facials.

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monica's favorite things



Mascara: L'Oreal Voluminous Lash Paradise in "Blackest Black"



Lipstick: Maybelline Color Sensational in "Touch of Spice" - It's so versatile!



Hair Product: Lanza Color Illuminator-Shine Spray



Hair Styling Tool: CHI 1-inch Ceramic Flat Iron - I can curl or straighten with this one tool!



What you can't live without in your beauty routine:

Prepping the face is the most important step! I love moisturizer and Nivea Sensitive Post Shave Balm as primer.

hair & makeup timeline

9+ months

Contact your desired hair and makeup artist to make sure she has availability on your date and book ASAP!

6+ months

Start thinking about a skin regime in preparation for your wedding and if you want to include any cosmetic procedures.

4+ months

Schedule any cosmetic procedures and use a skincare product line routinely to give your skin plenty of time to adjust to the new regimen.

2+ months

Have a hair and makeup trial run with your professional.

1 month

Make your final appointment for any facials or Dermaplaning now.

2 weeks

Eyebrows, hair color and trim!

3 days

Mani and pedi time!

2 days

If you need an extra glow, now is the time to get a spray tan from someone you have used before. Don't attempt 2 days before your wedding to be the first time!

Day before

Wash your hair and try to avoid heat styling.

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Laren Lindholm

Bio: I am Laren Lindholm, wife to my husband, Drew, and mother to two beautiful children, Gabriel and Sophia. I grew up in the Shoals area and graduated from Bradshaw High school in 2003. After that, I moved to North Carolina to be with my husband who was in the Navy. We moved back to the Shoals after his military contract ended. At that point, I knew I wanted to start looking into a career for myself. I loved art throughout high school and knew I wanted to be creative. I always knew hair and makeup was a route I wanted to pursue. I enrolled in Rays University of Beauty in 2008 and received my license in 2009. I booked my first photo shoot while in beauty school. After the shoot, I definitely knew I was where I need to be. I have done numerous weddings, proms and special events, commercials, music videos, photo shoots and work for print. I have even been nationally published on several occasions. That alone has been an incredible experience and I am so grateful to have my art seen. I cannot believe I have been doing what I love for over a decade now!

Working a wedding is so special to me. It is so rewarding to be the person who helps a bride feel like a celebrity on that special day. Usually on the day of, I come to the venue and bring everything with me. I strive to give a bride just a little bit of pampering and relief on what could be a stressful day. For anyone who may want to book in the future, I hope that through my work you can tell my entire heart goes into every opportunity that I get to be a part of. It is my passion to make people feel beautiful. I love what I do and I hope it shines through.

I am currently a stylist at Salon Mod and Spa In Downtown Florence 256-760-9663.

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Laren's favorite things



Mascara: Voluminous Lash Paradise



Lipstick: Kylie Mate Lip Kit in Dolce K, Nyx Matte Lipstick In Alabama, or L.A. Girl Velvet Matte in Snuggle



Hair Product: Volume Powder by Keune, Not Your Mother's Tapioca Dry Shampoo in Warm Sugar, and Moroccan Oil



Hair Styling Tool: Babyliss Nano Titanium Curling Iron



What you can't live without in your beauty routine:

I use L'Oreal Magic Perfecting Base every single day as my primer. It is like gold in a jar. It completely smooths the face and keeps your makeup on all day! I've used it for at least 5 years and may cry if they ever discontinue it. I also love a bold, matte lip.



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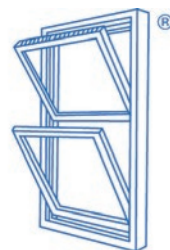
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been lining up the best music for proms, weddings and special events for over 24 years. Gus says "The average reception time is 4 hours, so you will need a minimum of 60 songs. A great DJ will already have in mind what to play but your input will make your event unique to you."



Play that Funky Music



Here are some more tips that Gus suggests for a bride and groom to help create an epic playlist for their wedding reception in 5 easy steps.

❶ Include your guest in building the official playlist.

On your RSVP include a line similar to this: "I will dance if you play _____."

❷ Make a list with your fiancé.

Your list should include all of your special songs (first dance, father/daughter, etc...) as well as your favorite dance tunes.

❸ Review your compiled request list.

Remove any explicit, overly suggestive and or offensive songs. Make sure that your compiled list has a good mix of genres. I suggest using Spotify to create a playlist so that you can easily collaborate with others.

❹ Send your request list to your DJ.

Ask your DJ to review the list and build the official playlist around your compiled list of requests. Your DJ will match up the songs by BPM'S (beats per minute) and will add songs to complement your request list.

❺ Meet with your DJ

Hold a meeting by phone or in person to review the official play list. The final list should include: approximately 4 hours of music (1 hour for cocktail/dinner and 3 hours of dance), appropriate song selections for all audiences and a good mix of genres. Lastly, your official playlist should follow a 1:5 slow dance to fast dance ratio.

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When Ella Wallen delivered an order of petits fours to Ethan Burton at The Anderson Center in Lauderdale County she didn't get the look of recognition she had become accustomed to as one of the "Wallen Triplets."

That was fine with her. It also was – intriguing.

The Anderson Center is in the Rogersville area of Lauderdale County, which is Ella's home. Once a thriving school, the building was shuttered when Anderson Junior High School closed at the end of the 2013-14 school year. The school had been part of the Anderson community since 1910, and the building since 1935.

Ethan, who is an engineer as well as a wedding DJ, bought the building in 2017 and made YouTube videos to showcase the ongoing work into developing a large part of the building as an events venue.

In the first video, he put out a request for a list of vendors in the area.

Ella, who had worked for Jill's Sweet Memories since she was a teenager, saw the video and called her mother to ask her to give Ethan a call since her mother knows many area vendors.

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"Little did I know that my mom gave him more information, like, I was single, I worked with a wedding (vendor), just a lot of information," Ella recalled. "So, he got my number and he messaged me. I met him on a Sunday (but) that Saturday I had done like 500 petits fours for Jill. So, I took some of them with me."

Ethan had never heard of petits fours, "and here I am bringing him, like, a hundred."

They walked through the building and Ella shared her knowledge of local vendors. Since the next day was Labor Day, they met again, "and I let him come to my family function. And seven days later he drove from Huntsville to Florence and took me on a date."

They were engaged six months later.

What Ethan didn't know about Ella prior to meeting her is that Ella and her two sisters, Emma and Ivy, are triplets who made a name for themselves as star basketball players


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Ella chose a white satin strapless gown by Blue by Enzoani from Promenande in Tuscumbia.



These three talented beauties entered the world just a minute apart on May 3, 1997. Emma, Ella and Ivy, standing in birth order, were born and raised in Lauderdale County.

first for Lauderdale County High School in Rogersville, then later as a trio package deal when they signed with the University of North Alabama.

"I think that's one of the reasons I fell in love with him. He didn't know anything about me, so he got to know me," she said with an emphasis on the "me."

"He got to learn about just me instead of the basketball triplet me."

"I was in the middle of basketball season (when they met), so I was not in the mood (to date), but then I guess when we started talking and all of our interests were really similar . . ." She smiled happily at this point, not needing to complete that sentence.

Emma and Ivy are in their senior year at UNA. Ella hung up her basketball career almost two years ago.

"It was a big deal," to leave the team, Ella said. "When I told Em and Ivy, they were just like, yeah, we kind of saw it coming. We knew you and Ethan were very serious."

As triplets, the Wallen sisters had done everything together all their lives and bringing Ethan into the fold required approval from Emma and Ivy.

"They met him on the first date," Ella recalled with a laugh. "He came to the house and they both greeted him. On our second date he took all three of us out. I told him if he couldn't get along with



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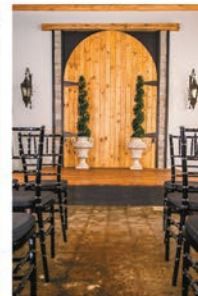
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both of them, then it never was going to work."

The date at The Pie Factory in Florence was a success. Emma and Ivy gave their stamp of approval.

Popping the question was a secretive recognizance that took place at Disney World while Ella was there with a family she had worked for as caretaker of their children.

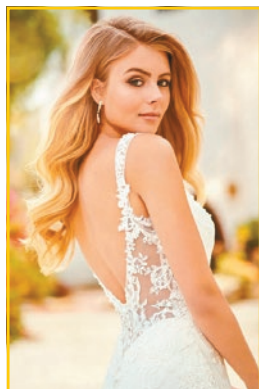
"He heard I was going to Disney World. So he looked to Em and Ivy to consult with them."

Ella was "just taking a picture by myself" and when she was instructed to "turn around, Ella" Ethan was there.

"He proposed to me and he spent the rest of the week with us there."

They were married within a year of the proposal.

And, of course, the wedding took place at The Anderson Center, which has accommodations for indoor or outdoor weddings. That is a good thing, because "it came a monsoon" on Ella and



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Ethan's wedding day and the ceremony had to move indoors. The former gymnasium has been transformed into a large event main room, and Ella had tables set up in there as well as in the former school library, which has been renovated as smaller venue for more intimate events.

The bridal party was lined up ready for the processional outdoors when the skies opened. Ella said her sisters took over. They moved tables in the large venue to make a main aisle. Jill's did a large wedding cake for the reception that served as the backdrop for the ceremony, as well.

The shift didn't distract from the ceremony Ella planned that included 375 guests – and a receiving line, which is rarely done these days.

"I wanted to bring the elegance of weddings back," she said. "To me, people don't take it as seriously as it needs to be, and to me a wedding is



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Mother of the bride, Buffy Wallen, helps Ella get into her dress in one of the classrooms that Ethan and Ella transformed into a bridal suite.



a really big commitment, and I was like, well, if I'm going to do it, I'm going to do it right and I want everybody to dress up."

She found her dress at Promenade at a sensationally low price during a one-day flash sale by appointment only. She snagged an 8 a.m. appointment and walked out with a stunning dress for - \$260. She had fallen in love with the dress before knowing how much the dress cost.

"Two hundred and sixty dollars! I proud to say that," Ella said. "It saved me a lot of money that I got to put on other things."

The formality of the dress set the tone for the rest of the bridal party. Ella wanted more of a black-tie event, "but people

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Ella chose a black and red color scheme to give her wedding the formal look she had always envisioned.



kind of freaked out about that" so she did more of a formal event with the men wearing black suits to complement the bridesmaids black dresses as well as the red roses in her floral arrangements. The rosettes were an echo of her floral theme as a detail in her wedding dress.

"I was very happy with the outcome of it all."

Her sisters not only took care of resetting the venue when it rained but had surprised Ella with something prior to her wedding day. Ella, who said she probably owns about 50 pair of heels, said she absolutely loves shoes.

"Emma, my tomboy sister, told my Mama, 'Ella has to have a good pair of shoes' for the wedding.

When they asked her to name her dream shoe, Ella said it was a pair of Louis Vuitton's. While at a basketball competition in New York, her sisters, with mom's help, went to Saks and bought Ella a pair.

"So I wore Louis Vuitton's for my wedding day," Ella said, smiling at the sweet memory. "It doesn't sound like a big deal, but they pulled it off. They gave them to me two weeks or three weeks before the wedding. I was already kind of picking some shoes out and they were like, no, I think you should wait. And I was like, you don't understand. This is a big deal"

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Rain forced the wedding indoors at the last minute, but the Anderson Center offered Ethan and Ella a perfect backup plan.



After being covered in silly string and showered with red rose petals, the couple cruised to Ocho Rios, Jamaica, Costa Maya, Cozumel and the Cayman Islands.

to work with for her wedding and reception. The wedding also had to be in June, not because June is a traditional wedding month, but because that was the only month her sisters had free time.

"So, I did work around basketball season, 'cause when your family is involved in basketball you've got to do that."


The Anderson Center's renovation "is done for the most part," Ella said. Now that she is a partner with Ethan, Ella said it's important to her to offer outdoor/indoor accommodations to brides who also may encounter a rainy day on their

Fruit and vegetable spread by Jill's Sweet Memories.




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special day and need to quickly shift indoors. She wants that transition to be seamless and to be part of the package to take that angst out of the couple's special day.

And while Ethan still works as an engineer in his day job, the couple continues to care for and develop The Anderson Center. It's easier to do these days because

they renovated a portion of the building as their apartment.

And the family continues to be close, with Ethan now part of their fold, as evidenced

by Emma and Ivy's communication with him. "They all text him as much as he texts me," Ella said, laughing.



Ethan and Ella had a wonderful group of family and friends that stood by them on their wedding day.

Anthony, Serra and Mia Wallen, Billy and Buffy Wallen, Ella and Ethan Burton, Ivy Wallen, Emma Wallen, Ethan, Elizabeth and Addie Wallen.



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Ella let each bridesmaid pick their own style dress that flattered and made them comfortable.



Ethan sported a suit that was made especially for him in Thailand. His groomsmen were sharply dressed with suits from Coats Clothing Company in Florence.



Anna, Lisa, Ella, Ethan and Kenneth Burton; Leslie and Stephen Tate.

Wedding Planning Timeline



checklist



- Pick a date
- Determine your budget
- Choose the style of your wedding
- Select your wedding party
- Book your photographer and schedule engagement photos
- Start compiling guest list
- Research venues for your ceremony and reception
- Create and order Save the Dates



- Mail Save the Dates
- Research florist
- Book ceremony and reception venues
- Book officiant
- Book desired vendors
- Purchase wedding dress and veil



- Research hotels near your venue and reserve a block of rooms for out-of-town guests
- Finalize guest list
- Choose bridesmaid attire and accessories
- Register for gifts
- Book florist



- Decide on wedding cake style and flavor
- Research hair and makeup, and book a trial run and wedding day appointment
- Meet with your officiant and plan ceremony
- Start planning honeymoon!
- Choose groom's and groomsmen attire
- Book transportation to and from venue
- Purchase wedding bands
- Book rehearsal dinner venue
- Research wedding invitation design



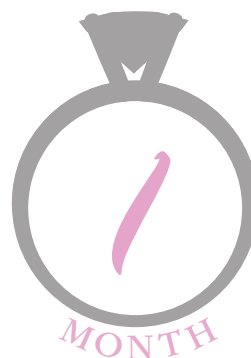
- Order wedding invitations
- Order wedding cake
- Block honeymoon flights and hotels
- Work with florist to decide on flowers
- Plan welcome bags for out-of-town guests
- Schedule dress fittings and alterations
- Decide on a playlist (include a do-not-play list) for your DJ or band



- Finalize timeline for ceremony and reception
- Order gifts for your bridal party, parents, and for each other
- Finalize reception menu with caterer
- Order menu cards
- Order rehearsal dinner invitations



- Mail invitations
- Develop system for organizing RSVPs
- Review ceremony details with officiant
- Decide on content for programs
- Apply for marriage license
- Finalize seating arrangements
- Create a schedule for your wedding day to distribute to vendors
- Order welcome bags



- Attend final dress fitting
- Pick up wedding rings
- Confirm honeymoon reservations and pack
- Check in with vendors to confirm details
- Pick up marriage license



- Make sure everything is laid out and packed for your wedding day (Essentials include: wedding dress, rings, and marriage license)
- Deliver welcome bags to hotels
- Get mani/pedi
- Attend wedding rehearsal and dinner
- Get your beauty sleep. Don't stay up too late!



- Eat healthy, hearty breakfast
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Anna Katherine Green and Austin Bradley Hill were married June 8, 2019 at 6:00 in the evening at Killen Church of Christ. The reception was held at Turtle Point Yacht & Country Club following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Kyle and Christie Green. She is the granddaughter of Dwight and Doris Garner and Neil and Debbie Jones of Killen, and the late Cedric Green.

The groom is the son of Jerry and Beth Hill. He is the grandson of Earnest and Barbara Goad of Florence, and the late Harlon and Virginia Hill.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a beautiful lace gown from The Something Blue Shoppe and carried a bouquet of white roses.

Maid of honor was Kaylee Gooch and matron of honor was Baylee Gooch, both first cousins of the bride. Bridesmaids were Abby Stutts, Madison Tidwell, Katie Lanier, Allison Zumstein, Allie Roden, Danna Austin, Katherine Graves, and Chelsea Greenhill. Junior bridesmaids were Carley Stephenson and Lillie Stephenson. Junior bride was Ila Katherine Hill, daughter of the groom. Flower girl was Margot Lindley.

Best man was the groom's father, Jerry Hill. Groomsmen were Matthew Scott, Brandon Graves, Blaine Jones, Adam Beck; Drew Phillips, Taylor Robertson, Hunter Goad, cousins of the groom; Dylan Green, brother of the bride; Randy Gooch, cousin of the bride. Ring bearer was Cooper Ray Green, nephew of the bride.

Wedding director was Kristi Sockwell. Floral designer was Justin Myrick. Reception music was provided by Eric Kirkman. Turtle Point Yacht & Country Club catered the reception and the wedding cake and groom's cake were made by Amy's Cakes. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Lindsay Robinson. Photographer was Rebekah Handley and videographer was Awaken Films.

After a honeymoon at The Excellence in Playa Mujeres, Cancun, Mexico, the couple is now residing in Rogersville.

Photos by Rebekah Handley









Staples, Rhine



Sydney had wanted to get married at TP, but wanted it to be different. We didn't have a wedding planner, it was just me with the help of a lot of great friends!! Sydney decided she wanted a nighttime, romantic candlelight ceremony by the water with reception inside.

Pinecones were our theme with it being in November. Basically I collected pinecones from my neighborhood for almost a year. I pulled a wagon around gathering them from my neighbors yards almost everyday! I hand tied each one to make 400ft.

We chose to use sentimental details throughout the wedding. Love notes that Jeremy wrote Sydney were framed & put in the windows. Instead of a guest book, friends & family signed quilt squares so Sydney could have a keepsake she could use. Sydney's Nanas wedding gown was displayed with a love note her late husband had written her before he passed away tragically 23 years ago. She wanted to pay tribute to her due to her never dating & her love is just as strong for him now than before he died.

The walls of TP were all draped with ceiling to floor white drapes. We used navy velvet tablecloths. I also bought clear glass plate chargers & painted the backs with gold metallic paint. We used juniper & pine shrubs as our centerpieces so we could use them after the wedding. I also bought plywood & strapped it to my fence 5 months before the wedding to allow my creeping fig vine to grow up it. We had a frame built to match the arch & put the boards in the night before the wedding. This was used for our seating chart cards to be displayed.

We chose to use different styles of blue glasses vases & candlesticks & succulents to decorate the tables. My mother also baked 200 apple crisp brownies for our guest favors.

Photos by Nick Drollette



Sydney Nicole Staples and Jeremy Daniel Rhine were married November 2, 2019 at 6:00 in the evening in a beautiful outdoor sunset ceremony at Turtle Point Yacht & Country Club. Brandon Miles, First Presbyterian Church of Florence, officiated the ceremony and the reception followed at the Turtle Point Club House.

The bride is the daughter of Holley and Ryan Hamm of Killen. She is the granddaughter of Jane Staples and the late Alan Staples of Athens, and Billy and Debbie Cabler of Killen.

The groom is the son of Russell and Andrea Rhine of Montgomery. He is the grandson of Jerry Rhine and the late Eveline Rhine of Montgomery, and the late Grady and Gerlinde Adkins.

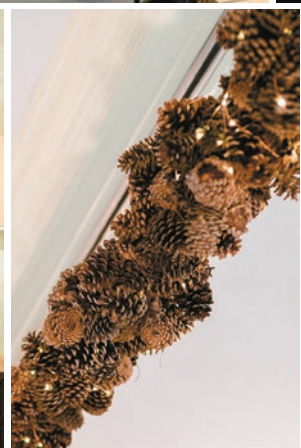
Maid of honor was Alexandria Selico-Dunn, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Jane Miniclier, cousin of the bride; Brenna Clark, Haley Franklin, and Hali Lyle, all friends of the bride. Flower girl was Kate Hof, family friend of the bride.

Best man was the groom's father, Russell Rhine. Groomsmen were Wesley Staples, brother of the bride; Jordan Hamilton and Chase Walker, friends of the groom. Ring bearer was Ace Hill, cousin of the bride.

Wedding director was the bride's mother, Holley Hamm, and day of coordinator was Susan Hamm. Floral designer was Lola's Gifts & Flowers, Sheffield. Turtle Point catered the reception and Amy's Cakes made the wedding cake and groom's cake. Reception entertainment was provided by Archie Hubbard. Stationary and invitations were done by Printers & Stationers, Inc. in Florence. Party rentals were from Party Pros, Florence. Hair stylist was Susan Puryear of Halo Salon in Florence and make-up artist was Melissa Jacobs of Bare Beauty in Florence. Photographer was Nick Drollette and videographer was Andrea Presley, both of Montgomery.

After a honeymoon at Secrets Playa Mujeres in Cancun, Mexico, the couple is now residing in Montgomery.





Hamner, Wear



Lindsay Marie Hamner and Houston Pate Wear were married October 19, 2019 at 5:00 in the afternoon in a beautiful outdoor ceremony in the pines at Bradford Farms with Miles Stutts officiating. The reception followed in the reception hall at Bradford Farms. The couple used the bride's late grandfather's Bible during the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Dwight and Susan Hamner. She is the granddaughter of the late Herschel and Bessie Hamner of Killen and the late Russell and Martha Stewart of White Plains, Ga.

The groom is the son of Preston Wear and Melissa Wear. He is the grandson of Shirley Norred and the late James Norred, and Gladys and Jerrell Wear, all of Florence.

The bride was escorted by her father. She chose a Bohemian styled all over lace, fit and flare gown by Bridal Manor Couture, purchased at The Something Blue Shoppe. A blue ribbon, a piece of her mother's veil, and her late grandmother's wedding ring were sewn into the bride's garter.

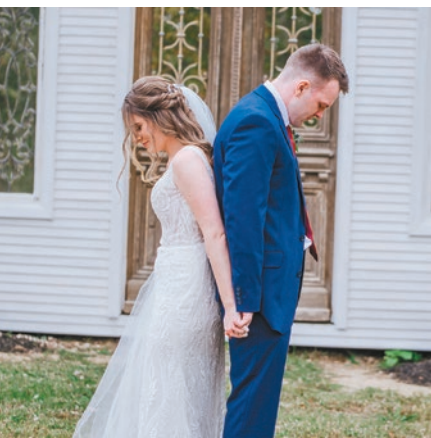
Maid of honor was Courtney King, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Tia Wear, sister of the groom; Abby McWilliams, Rachel Richmond, Maggie Killen, Hannah Kent, all friends of the bride; Mallo-ry Lane and Morgan Lane, cousins of the groom. Flower girls were Brynn Hamner, niece of the bride, and Mirabelle Sanders, cousin of the groom.

Best man was the groom's father, Preston Wear. Groomsmen were Daks Hamner, brother of the bride; Garrett Grigsby, Matt Harris, Clay McKinney, Matthew Woods, Drew Womble, and Bubba Allen, all friends of the groom. Ring bearers were Ellis Herron and Nolan May, cousins of the groom.

Wedding director was Cecilia Brumley. Floral designer was Bradford Farms. Caterer was City Limits Cafe and Jeff Burgess made the wedding cake and groom's cake. Music for the ceremony and the reception was provided by Gus Spears of Universal Event & Production Services. Hair stylists were Danielle Aston and Kailey Purcell of Glamour Unlimited Salong. Make-up artists were Allison Hyde and Syndey Hallmark. Photographer was Heather Sherrill of Create Portraiture and videographer was Nicholson Creative.

After a honeymoon cruise to St. Lucia, Barbados, and Antigua, the couple is now residing in Killen.

Photos by Create Portraiture





Woodard, Giuffrida

Olivia Rachele Woodard and Marc Richard Giuffrida were married May 22, 2019 at 6:30 in the evening in a beachside ceremony at Pass-a-Grille Beach, Fla. The reception was held at The Hotel Zamora in St. Pete Beach following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. Joel P. Hearn and Mrs. Daryl Kilgore Hearn of Muscle Shoals and Mr. Harry Woodard and Mrs. DeeDee Woodard of Decatur. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Kilgore of Muscle Shoals and Mr. Sherman Woodard of Moulton.

The groom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Richard Giuffrida of Morgan Hill, Calif.

The bride wore an Eddy K Bridal Gown from San Francisco, Calif. that was designed with all lace and sequins, with a blush pink silk undertone. Her earrings were diamond blush dangles from Trudy's Bridal in Campbell, Calif., and her shoes were designed by J. Renee from Dillard's in Florence, Ala. Her engagement ring is from Solomon Brothers in Atlanta, Ga. The groom wore a Tommy Hilfiger suit with a champagne colored tie from Nordstrom. His shoes were Cole Hahn, also from Nordstrom.

Attending the bride and groom were flower girl, Gia Weber, and ring bearer, Jack Weber, both of Morgan Hill, Calif.

Wedding director was Simple Weddings of Florida, who also served as the floral designer. Caterer was Castile Restaurant in the Hotel Zamora. The wedding cake was made by Chantilly Cakes. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Lili's Weddings Makeup & Hair. Entertaining guests at the reception was pianist Dr. Joel P. Hearn, step-father of the bride. Photographer was Jen House Photography.

The couple was married in front of their immediate family members on the beautiful beach in Pass-a-Grille, Fla. The couple chose the location not only for its beauty and charm, but Olivia's parents also got married in Pass-a-Grille years ago at the Don Cesar Hotel, so it holds a special sentiment for the couple. This was the groom's and his family's first visit to Florida and experiencing its beautiful white sandy beaches and gorgeous sunsets. The couple and their families celebrated the nuptials all week at the beach, eating delicious seafood, watching sunsets, and swimming in the Gulf of Mexico. The wedding invitations and map were custom made by Bohemian Mint and featured a watercolor map of the wedding and the week's events. After a beautiful beach ceremony, the couple and the new family had a reception dinner in a private room at the Castile Restaurant at the Hotel Zamora. Last but not least, the happy couple danced the night away to live piano music performed by the bride's step-father.

After a honeymoon trip to Grace Bay in Turks & Caicos, the couple is now residing in Campbell, Calif.

Photos by Jen House Photography



Bolton, South



Derek proposed at Arches National Park in Moab, Utah. The couple loves traveling to different National Parks and Derek took Emma by complete surprise when he got down on one knee underneath The Delicate Arch. Many people were in the same area of the park when Derek proposed and they all erupted into loud clapping and cheers when Emma said yes. Many congratulatory wishes were given on the hike out and it was truly a day the couple will never forget.

Our wedding day forecast was showers and thunderstorms for the entire day... through many prayers and Lord's favor we ended up having a beautiful day and were able to grab some photos outside after all. We were so grateful to have the people that meant the most to us in attendance for our wedding and so appreciate everyone who celebrated us during our engagement and wedding season.

Emma Alice Bolton and Derek Thomas South were married October 26, 2019 at 5:30 in the afternoon at Robert Trent Jones of the Shoals.

The bride is the daughter of Chuck and Susan Bolton of Tuscumbia. She is the granddaughter of the late Jack and Rebecca McWilliams of Cherokee, and the late Kelly and Beaton Bolton of Red Bay.

The groom is the son of Tony and Renee South and Bob and Karen Corsby. He is the grandson of Beverly Woodis of Muscle Shoals, Donnie Corsby of Leighton, and the late Otis and Christine South of Leighton.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore an Allure satin gown with a lace train, beaded belt and a fingertip length veil. She wore her grandmother's pearl earrings as her something old.

Maid of honor was Claire Bolton, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Becca Bryant, Emily Kathryn McCann, Mary Elizabeth Hall, Amber Allman Pearson, and Lindsay Bishop, all friends of the bride. Flower girls were Rylie and Rainey Keenum and Addison South, all nieces of the groom.

Best man was the groom's brother, Brent South. Groomsmen were Ryan Keenum, step-brother of the groom; Will McCann, Ben Carpenter, Damon Underwood, and Brandon Madison, all friends of the groom. Ushers were Andrew Sorrell, Zach Crowell, and Jake Spencer. Ring bearer was Mason South, nephew of the groom.

Wedding directors were Chylsea Underwood and Erin Madison. Floral designer was Chase Sparks, owner of Russellville Florist. Bridal and formal wear came from Promenade in downtown Tuscumbia. The reception was catered by RTJ. The wedding cake and groom's cake were made by Laura Edwards. Make-up artist and hair stylist was Pretty by Coco. Photographer was Katie Jewell Co. and videographer was Awaken Films.

After a European honeymoon where the couple visited London, Paris, and Ireland, the couple is now residing in Leighton.

Photos by Katie Jewell Co.



Minor, McManus



Jaime Minor and Jordan McManus exchanged vows on November 9, 2019 at 3:30 in the afternoon in a romantic ceremony and reception hosted at the Historic East Ivy Mansion in Nashville, TN.

The Victorian-era East Ivy Mansion was none short of a fairytale wedding venue, located just minutes away from where the couple resides. Upon entering, guest found themselves in another world, surrounded by lush gardens, pristine architecture and true beauty. The green gardens, babbling brooks and cascading pool were enchanting and perfectly picturesque. Previous residents of the East Ivy Mansion include Bob Dylan and Tennessee Senator Henry Cooper.

The event was all about elegance, intimacy, and dreamy details captured perfectly by Abraham Rowe Photography. Carmalita Coan's Floral Design did a magnificent job of executing the happy couples' vision of elegance and sophistication through romantic touches of blush neutrals, whites, and greens. The florals were timeless, yet romantic and wild, with thoughtful design elements that captured each bloom's unique charm, grace, and beauty. The wedding also featured a live painting by renowned artist Heidi Swartz, of Paint Your Event.

The bride chose her gown and accessories at BHLDN. She donned a cathedral lengthen veil with scattered pearls, a beautiful hair piece and old Hollywood curls. She carried a special handkerchief made by her grandmother Joan and wore a hand-beaded bracelet designed by the groom's Aunt Ilene. The groom and groomsmen's tuxedos were designed by Vera Wang. The groom wore special cuff links passed down to him from his late grandfather Hank.

Corey Nichols perfectly accomplished the bride's vision of glamorous make up for her and her party. Whitney Weeks Butler of Parlor 217 styled the bridesmaids hair in long loose and curls, which paired impeccably with their shimmery blush Adrianna Papell gowns.

The couple took to the dance floor for the first time as a married couple for a quick dance to "Let's Stay Together" by Al Green with a dance choreographed by Connie Baker of Nashville Ballroom and Co. The bride and her father, Derrick, danced to "I Can't Take My Eyes off of You" by Frankie Valley.

The bride is the daughter of Derrick and Christine Minor, of Muscle Shoals, AL. She is the granddaughter of Charles and Joan Minor, Ron and Judy Handwerker, and Jimmy and Karol Richardson. The groom is the son of William and AnnDee McManus, of Oldsmar, FL. He is the grandson of the late Norma and Hank Weiner and the late Bill and Elsa McManus.

The best man was Stuart Gordon and the groomsmen were Matt Smith, Jake Wizotskey, Chris LaBelle, Evan Woods, John Bernauer, and Alex Gobble. The matriarch of honor was Regan Bolding Gobble and the maids-of-honor were Bridgett Cottrill and Taylor Elrod. The bridesmaids were Lauren Boston, Brittany Minor, Jordan Minor, Brittany Brooks, Melissa Finklea, Katelyn Hickman, and Breken Terry. Pastor Thei Webster, a family friend from Ann Arbor, MI proceeded over the wedding.

A special thanks to the mothers of the bride and groom, Christine Minor and AnnDee McManus, who ensured every detail was perfect. Friends of the family, Kim, Alyssa, and Mary Patterson, Tammy Jeffries, Anna Ulman, Amanda George, and Lisa Moore, along with Aunts-of-the-Bride Donna Reeps and Allison Handwerker helped to ensure the dinner area was breathtaking during the cocktail hour (and lit around 200 candles).

Photos by Abraham Rowe Photography



Smith, Canup



Danielle Smith and Brooks Canup were married November 23, 2019 at 4:00 in the afternoon at First Baptist Church of Tuscumbia with Malachi Cole officiating. The reception was held at George's 217 following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Wesley Smith and Mike and Amy McCormack. She is the granddaughter of Patty Smith and the late Felton Smith, Sandra Barnett and the late David Barnett, Dwight and Brenda McCain, and Eva Marks.

The groom is the son of Ricky Canup and John and Suzanne Mothershed. He is the grandson of Janie and Eugene Morris, BJ Canup and the late Shirley Canup, and Luke and Leigh Gargis.

The bride chose a beautiful white gown. The dress, shoes, and accessories were all from Promenade in Tuscumbia. She had a heart sewn into the liner of her dress that was a piece from her late grandfather's flannel shirt. Her white veil served as her "something borrowed", as it was borrowed from the groom's sister, Sara Todd.

Maid of honor was Emma Smith, cousin of the bride, and matron of honor was Carson Green, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Brylee Canup, sister of the groom; Emily Brazeale, Kennington Smith, Hannah Drummond, Ginny Edde, Anna Kate Snipes, Sydney Malone, and Mary Margaret Green, all friends of the bride. Flower girl was Louella Balentine, cousin of the groom.

Best man was the groom's father, Ricky Canup. Groomsman were Eric Bowlin, Ryan York, Nick Badelli Boggs, Jensen Joiner, Cody Alexander, Rusty Todd, Will McGee, all friends of the groom; Mason McCormack, brother of the bride; and John Mothershed, step-father of the groom. Ring bearer was Cash Smith, cousin of the bride.

Floral designer was Cindy Harrison. Caterer was George's 217. The wedding cake was made by Wendy Weeks and the groom's cake was made by Sara Todd. Entertaining guests at the reception was DJ Keke Greer. Hair stylist was Andra McGee of Glamour Unlimited Salon in Loretto, Tenn., and make-up artist was Brylee Canup. Photographer was Sommer Hamilton of Saving Grace Photography, and videographer was Ace Eaton Designs and Production.

For their honeymoon, the couple took a Royal Caribbean cruise to Coco Cay, Bahamas, Cozumel, Mexico, Roatan, Honduras, and Puerto Costa Maya, Mexico. They are now residing in Florence.



Photos by Saving Grace Photography





Bishop, Dobbs



Ashley Rhea Bishop and Cody Joe Dobbs were united in marriage on September 28, 2019 at a late afternoon ceremony overlooking the Tennessee River at Robert Trent Jones of the Shoals with Pastor Matt Fowler officiating. Soloist Tanner King began the ceremony with "How Great Thou Art" accompanied by pianist, Dustin White. Instrumental selections for the ceremony included "How Deep the Father's Love," "In Christ Alone," and "Be Thou My Vision." The bridal processional was "Canon In D" and prayer song was "Spirit of the Living God".

The bride is the daughter of Joyce Bishop of Muscle Shoals and Bruce Bishop of Rogersville. She is the granddaughter of Adrian and Sandra Yarbrough, Nellie Sue Bishop and the late Larry Bishop.

The groom is the son of Joe and Lisa Dobbs of Tuscumbia. He is the grandson of the late Turner and Doris Dobbs, Carolyn Sullivan, and the late Charles Sullivan.

The bride was escorted by her father and mother. She wore a graceful ivory lace mermaid silhouette gown and a simple tulle cathedral length veil from Promenade. Her shoulder-dusting earrings featured a mother-of-pearl centerpiece and intricate crystal accents. She also wore a gold and pearl bracelet borrowed from her paternal grandmother. Fastened to the bridal bouquet was an antique "Jesus Saves" pin worn by her maternal grandfather as a boy.

Matron of honor was Amanda McKinney. Bridesmaids were Alexandra Aderholt, Chloe Handley, Kaila Jarrell, Hayley Mitchell, Brittany Roberson, Katie Spence, and Rachel Weeks. Memorial candles were lit by Addison Pounders and flower girls were Marlee Sullivan and Addison Weeks. The guest book was attended by friend of the bride, Shelby McAlister. Hair and makeup for the bridal party was by Susan Puryear and Lindsey Robinson of Halo Hair Downtown. Flower girl dresses were from The Emporium. The bride and her attendants enjoyed a delicious brunch on the wedding day hosted by friends Karla Earnest, Melanee Frederick, and Marilyn Keelon at the home of Dacus & Barbara Wall on Wilson Lake near the wedding venue.

Best man was Tony Pounders. Groomsmen were Stephen Abel, John Burton, Sky Congleton, Nic Ellison, Austin Handley, Zachary Handley, and Shawn Sullivan. Ring bearer was Easton White and sign bearer was Cayson Sullivan. Suits were provided by Coats Clothing Company.

The reception was held at RTJ following the ceremony. Catering was provided by the venue and the cakes were made by Lana Copeland of All About Cakes. Floral designer was Carmalita Coan. Videographer was Nelson Studios and photographer was Rebekah Handley. Special thanks to Juliana Brewer at Printers and Stationers, RTJ event coordinator, Christine Minor, and to our wonderful wedding director, Terri Brown, who handled the details of the day effortlessly!

The wedding rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at the Tuscumbia Depot & Roundhouse.

After a relaxing week at Unico 20°87° Riviera Maya the couple is now at home on Wilson Lake in Muscle Shoals with their beloved dog Piper!

Photos by Rebekah Handley





Masterson, Singletary



Jack and I got engaged at Montgomery Place in Sheffield on Friday, November 16, 2018. Jack chose to propose at Montgomery Place because it's owned by his parents and it's a place where he has many great memories. He proposed in front of the beautiful fountain in the courtyard, so we chose to have our first look in the same spot on our wedding day. Montgomery Place is also where we had several special showers and our rehearsal dinner.

Our wedding day was absolutely perfect and it wouldn't have been possible without all our amazing vendors. Seriously, these people turned into family over the few months we had the privilege to work with them. I am so grateful for all the family, friends, and vendors that helped make our day so wonderful!

Erin Masterson and Jack Singletary were married July 20, 2019 at 6:00 in the evening at First Baptist Church in Sheffield with Marty Vandiver officiating. The reception was held at George's 217 in Sheffield following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Greg and Kathy Masterson of Russellville. She is the granddaughter of Jack Masterson and the late Fay Masterson of Russellville, William Dill and the late Mavis Dill of Russellville, and the late June Jordan of Enterprise.

The groom is the son of Leon and Kim Singletary of Florence. He is the grandson of Charlie and Carolyn Huffstatler of New Albany, Miss., and Patsy Singletary and the late Leon Gilbert Singletary, Jr. of Killen.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a beautiful white lace Justin Alexander gown from The Something Blue Shoppe.

Maid of honor was Lindsey Ann Monroe, best friend and sorority sister of the bride, and matron of honor was Julie Masterson Russ, cousin of the bride. Bridesmaids were Hannah Bailey Hollis, Lexi Williams McLendon, Morgan Ann Mathis, Meredith Hamner Nicholson, Savanne Simpson Howard, Caroline Jean Parker, Sarah Elizabeth Sherrod, all friends of the bride; Jill Danielle Masterson and Abigail Maye Malone, cousins of the bride.

Best man was the groom's father, Leon Singletary. Groomsmen were Benjamin Neal Singletary and Luke Thomas Singletary, brothers of the groom; Alexander Mason McDonald, Brady James Bedingfield, Holden Craig Corum, Russell Cole Phillips, Garrett Landon Grigsby, Javonta Tywan Johnson, and Austin Wade Michael, all friends of the groom.

Wedding director was Kelli Brown. Floral designer was Chase Sparks of Russellville Florist. Catering the reception at George's 217 was Southern Skillet Catering. Laura Smith made the wedding cake and Shelly Douglas made the groom's cake. Entertaining guests at the reception was Gus Spears of Universal Events. Hair stylist was Lindsey Robinson of Halo Hair Salon and make-up artist was Corey Nichols of Makeupbycorey. Photographer was Heather Sherrill of Create Portraiture and videographer was Hunter Nicholson of Nicholson Creative.

The couple spent their honeymoon at Secrets Cap Cana in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, and are now residing in Huntsville.

Photos by Create Portraiture





Willis, Creasy

Erin Makenzi Willis and Brandon Wade Creasy were married September 7, 2019 in a 2:00 afternoon ceremony at Grace Life Church of the Shoals with Bro. Matt Fowler officiating. The reception followed at Cypress Lakes Golf & Country Club.

The bride is the daughter of Shawn and Traci Willis of Muscle Shoals. The groom is the son of Billy and Tina Creasy of Tusculumbia.

The bride chose a beautiful white lace gown from the Something Blue Shoppe. She was also wearing Chanel perfume, a wedding gift from the groom.

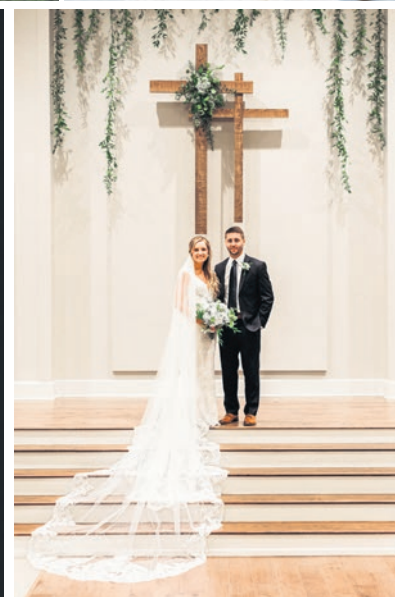
Maid of honor was Kelsey Murphy and matron of honor was Presley Cantrell, both friends of the bride. Bridesmaids were Nicole McIntosh, sister-in-law of the bride; Abby Bradley, Claire DeGeorge, and Shelby Johnson, all friends of the bride.

Best man was the groom's father, Billy Creasy. Groomsmen were Caleb Willis and Ian McIntosh, brothers-in-law of the groom; Quentin Nolen, cousin of the groom; Justin Cantrell, Brian Martin, and Chandler Askew, all friends of the groom.

Wedding director/coordinators were Kristen Fowler, Sarah Freeman, and Amanda Sizemore. Floral designer was Cindy Harrison. Music for the ceremony was provided by Greg and Dawn Woodall. Jill Larkin of Jill's Sweet Memories catered the reception and made the wedding cake. Valerie Hutcheson was the guestbook attendant. Hair stylist was Brittany Sherrill. Photographer was Katie Jewell Beech.

The couple spent their honeymoon at Sandals Montego Bay, Jamaica, which was a surprise from the groom. The couple is now residing in Birmingham.

Photos by Katie Jewell Beech





Palmer, Montgomery



Kennedy Palmer and Dylan Montgomery were married June 22, 2019 at 6:00 in the evening at Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail of the Shoals. Josh Kelley officiated the ceremony and the reception followed at RTJ.

The bride is the daughter of Tim and Mendy Palmer of Tuscumbia. She is the granddaughter of Abby and Gary Keith of Muscle Shoals, Ron and Lavonya Palmer of Olive Branch, Miss., and Diane Ballard of Hamilton.

The groom is the son of Dan and Tracy Montgomery of Russellville. He is the grandson of Brenda Bragwell and the late David Bragwell of Russellville.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore an Allure Romance, deep V cut, solid satin gown in the color of Hazelnut, with a sheer lace back with minimal crystal detail with buttons from the top to lower back, along with a simple veil with minimal crystal trim.

Maid of honor was Lynsi Bragwell, friend of the bride. Matrons of honor were Peyton Montgomery, sister-in-law, and Brookly Hamilton, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Caitlyn Grigsby, Brooklyn Massey, Emma Moothart, Kaitlyn Schrimsher, Eden Pritchett, Laken Hayes, all friends of the bride; Mackenzie Gilstrap, sister of the bride; and Ashton Childers, cousin of the bride. Honorary bridesmaids were Anna Smith, Liza Jane Richey, and Justine Garcia. Flower girl was Lily Cate Pace. Miniature bride was Rylee Dru Childers, cousin of the bride.

Best man was the groom's father, Dan Montgomery. Groomsmen were Jake Montgomery, brother of the groom; Austin Holder, Jordan Wood, Rylan White, all friends of the groom; Miles Nesbit, brother of the bride; Drew Childers and Carter Berryhill, cousins of the bride. Man of honor was Cameron DeArman, childhood best friend of the bride. Honorary groomsmen were Brady Ledlow, Kodi Smith, and Michael Corsbie. Ushers were Brent Reed and Justin Esquivel. Ring bearer was Ethan Berryhill, cousin of the bride, and miniature groom was Mark Rylan Nesbit, nephew of the bride.

As a little girl I was obsessed with Cinderella. For my seventh birthday, my dad surprised me with a trip to Disney World to have dinner with Cinderella, with my very own Cinderella dress. We would often play tea party, and he would take me to "balls" in our living room, all while wearing my new Cinderella dress of course. Thankfully I kept the dress all these years, and my seamstress (Savannah Lyles) was able to cut out a piece of my old Cinderella dress and sew it into my wedding dress as my something blue, and a reminder to my dad that I would always be his "Cinderella girl". We started the reception with the father-daughter dance to the song "Cinderella" by Steven Curtis Chapman.

Wedding director was Lauren Boston. Floral designer was Chase Sparks of Russellville Florist. Caterer was Robert Trent Jones of the Shoals, and Judy Howard of Singing River Sweets made the wedding cake and groom's cake. Entertaining guests at the reception was DJ Jammin' Jeff. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Bethany Mansell. Photographer was Heather Sherrill of Create Portraiture and videographer was Byron Hellums with FPP Films. Special thanks to Christine Minor, director of events at Robert Trent Jones, and all other staff members who prepared the venue.

After a honeymoon at Sandals Resort in Ocho Rios, Jamaica, the couple is now residing in Tuscumbia.

Photos by Create Portraiture





We chose to do a first look which allowed us to complete all of our pictures before the ceremony, since we were unable to due to rain after the ceremony. The ceremony was very close and intimate under a tent filled with stringed lights as light rain drizzled outside. We put together a silver and white unity cross. The bridesmaids wore crimson colored infinity dresses and the groomsmen wore gray suits with crimson ties, provided by Coats Clothing Company. The centerpieces were white pumpkins with a floral arrangement on top. Big, medium, and small white and gray pumpkins were used for decorations throughout the entire venue. The guests were first served a beautiful fruit and vegetable display and a buffet style of chicken and dressing and pork loin. The couple exited under a sparkler send off in the groom's Jeep Wrangler.

We would like to thank both of our families for the amount of time they put into our wedding and how much love and support they showed us during this special time in our lives.

Taylor Tidwell and Nicholas Wallace were married October 11, 2019 at 6:00 in the evening at The Buffler House with Pastor Steve Pochop and Brother Steve McAlister officiating. The reception followed at The Buffler House.

The bride is the daughter of Leon Tidwell, Jr. and Cindy Tidwell of Muscle Shoals. She is the granddaughter of Roy Gieske and Peggy Gieske of Leighton, Dora Ricketts and Devaughn of Tuscumbia, the late Leon Tidwell, Sr. of Muscle Shoals, and the late Barbara Tidwell of Muscle Shoals.

The groom is the son of Mark Wallace and Dana Wallace of Muscle Shoals. He is the grandson of Jimmy and Sarah Mckee and Charles and Dianne Wallace, all of Tuscumbia.

The bride was escorted by her father. She chose an elegant sleeveless ivory dress by Laurie designer. The bridal gown featured beautiful appliques, lace, and beading on an intricately designed satin wedding dress with a v-neck and ball gown silhouette.

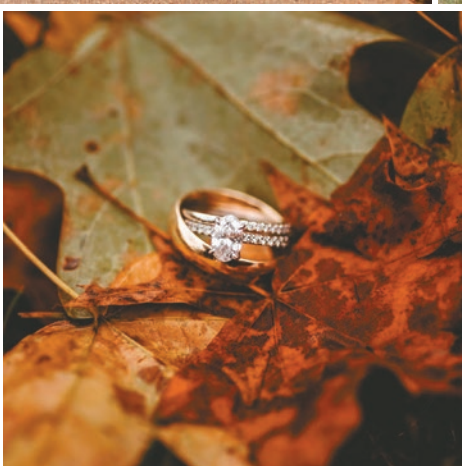
Maid of honor was Madison Tidwell, twin sister of the bride, and matron of honor was Hannah Barnes Denton, best friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Jessi Blackstock Tidwell, sister-in-law of the bride; Sarah Wallace, sister of the groom; Anna Wallace, sister-in-law of the groom; and Kayla Isbell, cousin of the bride. Flower girl was Annslee Wallace, niece of the groom.

Best man was the groom's father, Mark Wallace. Groomsmen were John Mark Wallace, brother of the groom; Trey Tidwell, brother of the bride; Nathan Mckee, cousin of the groom; Brandon McIntyre, Thomas Martin, and Tom Wan, all friends of the groom. Ring bearer was Camden Wallace, nephew of the groom.

Wedding director was Kelli Whitehead Brown. Floral designers were Cindy Harrison and Kelli Whitehead Brown. Providing music for the ceremony and entertaining guests at the reception was Sonya Cooper and DJs Lavale. Caterer and cake maker was Jill's Sweet Memories. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Lauren Lindholm. Photographer was Sommer Hamilton and videographer was Morgan White. Pumpkins were provided by Isbell's Pumpkin Farm. Special thanks to the Blackstock family for their help with the setup of the ceremony due to the rain.

For their honeymoon, the couple first spent a few days at Disney World, then took a Carnival Cruise to Cozumel, Mexico, Costa Maya, Mexico, Isla Roatan, Honduras, and Belize, Mexico. They are now residing in Sheffield.

Photos by Saving Grace Photography





Cabaniss, Isbell

Amanda Cabaniss and Clint Isbell were married April 27, 2019 in a 6:00 evening ceremony at Ava's Place with Rev. Jim Cabaniss officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Howard L. Cabaniss, Jr. and Anna Cabaniss. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. Cabaniss, Sr. of Muscle Shoals, and Marie Townsend and the late Robert L. Townsend of Florence.

The groom is the son of Gordon Isbell and Lynn Dover. He is the grandson of Jerry and Faye Dover of Spring Valley, and Theo Isbell and the late Betty Ray Isbell of Muscle Shoals.

The bride wore a beautiful long sleeved A-line beaded and appliqued gown from the Justin Alexander Signature Collection purchased from The Something Blue Shoppe in Hartselle.

Matron of honor was Khristina Cabaniss, sister-in-law of the bride. Bridesmaids were Jamey Lopp and Lindsey Wray, sisters of the groom; Rachael Gadd, cousin of the bride; Chylsea Underwood and Alex Sockwell, friends of the bride. Flower girl was Aubrey Lopp, niece of the groom.

Best man was Caleb Underwood, nephew of the groom. Groomsmen were Eric Lopp, brother-in-law of the groom; Chad Cabaniss, brother of the bride; Drew Burden and Matt Ford, friends of the groom; Brantley Dover, cousin of the groom. Ring bearers were Cole Cabaniss, nephew of the bride and Parker Wray, nephew of the groom.

The reception was held at Ava's Place following the ceremony. Caterer was Jill's Sweet Memories. Sugarbaker's made the wedding cake and Wendy Weeks made the groom's cake. Special thanks to Darlene Nuss for arranging the beautiful decor and for assisting at the reception.

Floral designer was Carmelita Coan. Ceremony music was provided by Zach Haygood. Make-up artists were Lindsay Wray and Tristin Fisher. Photographer was Milly Brent of The Rose Reflective Photography and videographer was Nelson Studios.

After a week long honeymoon at The Royalton Riviera Resort & Spa in Cancun, Mexico, the couple is now residing in Muscle Shoals.

Photos by The Rose Reflective Photography





Hendrix, Henderson

Taylor Morgan Hendrix and Samuel Lee Henderson were married March 16, 2019 in a 3:00 afternoon ceremony at The Red Barn in Florence with Justin Cosby officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Trace and Tammy Hendrix of Florence. She is the granddaughter of Doreen Hendrix and the late Tom Hendrix of Florence, Grace and Bill Simpson of Florence, and the late Jeannie Brooks.

The groom is the son of Kelly Henderson and Christy Henderson of Florence. He is the grandson of Jim and Joy Winn and the late Robert and Inez Henderson.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a beautiful white lace gown from Madison Town & Country Bridal with three quarter length lace sleeves and accented with a rhinestone and crystal beaded belt, along with matching bracelet and earrings that were a gift from her parents. Attached to her bouquet was an antique butterfly pin that belongs to her grandmother, Grace Simpson, and a charm with a photo of her grandfather, Tom Hendrix. She also carried her great-grandmother Evans handkerchief. Her something blue was a piece of her father's shirt sewn into a small heart on the lining of her dress. She also had her sisters, Christy Wisdom and Heather Jennings, and the groom's sisters, Lauren Malone and Magen Medley, in blue gowns as her something blue.

Maid of honor was Ellen Scott of Pinson, best friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Julianna Jackson of Florence, niece of the bride; Reagan Ritchie of Memphis, Tenn., Riley Rogers of Loretto, Tenn., Alexandra Atkins of Arab, Shelby Haddox of Huntsville, Hannah Goldsby of Tuscaloosa, Charity Brown of Lawrenceburg, Tenn., Ashley Watson of Hamilton, Melissa Adame and Jordan Corum of Florence, all friends of the bride. Flower girls were Jacey Rae Jennings, niece of the bride, Madelyn Medley and Addie Kate Malone, nieces of the groom.

Best man was the groom's father, Kelly Henderson. Groomsmen were Lee Medley and Heath Malone of Florence, brothers-in-law of the groom; Padden Henderson, Drew Reeves, Barclay Wallace, Jacob Simpson, James Contreras, Hamilton Moore, Carson Perreault, all friends of the groom from Florence; Maddox Jackson of Florence, nephew of the bride; and Sam Medley of Florence, nephew of the groom. Ring bearers were Daxton Malone and Jack Medley of Florence, both nephews of the groom. Ushers were Haiden Barrett, Jaden Jennings, and Emerson Wisdom.

Wedding director was Lori Mitchell. Floral designer was Cindy Harrison of Florals by Cindy. Hair stylist was Layla Howard and make-up artist was Anna Leigh Rossi. Photographer was Rebekah Handley of Rebekah Photography, and videographer was Bruce Carson of QF2 Films.

The reception was also held at The Red Barn following the ceremony. Catering the food was Rawhide BBQ and Sugar Bakers made the wedding cake and the groom's cake. Entertaining the guests at the reception was Kekoria Greer, who also provided the music for the ceremony.

The couple left the reception in a 1936 Graham car owned by Bill and Traci Lovelace and driven by Bill Lovelace.

After a honeymoon at Sandals South Coast Resort in Whitehouse, Jamaica, the couple is now residing in Muscle Shoals.

Photos by Rebekah Photography





Mashburn, McMahan



Haley Rena Mashburn and Nathanael "Zayne" McMahan were married May 11, 2019 in a 6:00 evening ceremony held at SMJ Farms with Justin Shelby officiating. The reception followed at SMJ Farms.

The bride is the daughter of Kerry and Anita Mashburn of Killen. She is the granddaughter of Bertie Mashburn and the late Alvin Mashburn of Killen, and Arnelle Green and the late Earl Green of Florence.

The groom is the son of Royce and Vicki McMahan of Florence. He is the grandson of the late Ayleen Sharp of Florence.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a full length white satin gown with a plunging neckline and satin covered buttons down the back purchased from The Something Blue Shoppe.

Matron of honor was Lindsey Richardson, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Makenzie Zahnd, niece of the bride, Kierston Spurgeon and Elizabeth Ross, friends of the bride. Junior bridesmaid was Alyssa Richardson, niece of the bride. Flower girls were Clara Richardson and Aimsleigh Richardson, nieces of the bride, and Lettie McMahan, niece of the groom.

Best man was Wesley Nelson, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Jeffrey Power, Spencer Moore, and Sonny Fralix, all friends of the groom, and junior groomsmen were Ethan Zahnd, nephew of the bride. Ushers were Tanner Whitlock and Jake Reynolds. Ring bearers were Ross Smith and Berkley Stutts, family friends of the couple.

Wedding directors were Ashley Simmons and Haley Green. Floral designer was Justin Myrick. Music for the ceremony was provided by Billy and Trey Burns, with Style Entertainment playing at the reception. The reception, held at SMJ Farms, was catered by Rick's BBQ and Smokin' on the Blvd. The wedding cake and the groom's cake were made by Heather's Cake Creations. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Monica Aday. Photographer was Gena Plaxco Images and videographer was Fractal Image.

After a honeymoon in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, the couple is now residing in Killen.

Photos by Gena Plaxco Images





Bradley, Calhoun

Lexie Bradley and Dylan Calhoun were married June 1, 2019 at 5:00 in the afternoon at Highland Baptist Church with Buddy Champion officiating. The reception followed at Pickett Place.

The bride is the daughter of Anthony and Sandy Bradley of Florence. She is the granddaughter of Robert Witt and the late Jeanette Witt of Florence, and Joyce Bradley and the late Ray Bradley of Muscle Shoals.

The groom is the son of Randall and Sonya Calhoun of Pell City. He is the grandson of Percy and Tootsie Scott of Clanton, and Jim and Patsy Burks of Hoover.

Matron of honor was Tori Lee, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Teala Buck, sister-in-law of the bride; Natasha Fomina, Jessica Austin, Jayden Davilla-McClary, Destiney Ingram, all friends of the bride; and Kristy Darby, cousin of the bride. Flower girl was Alivia McCormack, niece.

Best man was the groom's father, Randall Calhoun. Groomsmen Brandon Tate, Zach Dugas, Tyler Hall, Landon Smith, Garrett Dempsey, all friends of the groom; Andy Buck, brother-in-law of the groom; and Stuart Scott, cousin of the groom. Ring bearer was William Buck, nephew.

Wedding director was Terri Brown. Floral designer was Cindy Harrison. Caterer was Rhoda P's Catering, and the wedding cake and groom's cake were made by Yummies. Entertaining guests at the reception was Grayson Brown. Hair stylists were Scott Bradley, uncle of the bride, and Megan Robertson. Make-up artist was Rachel at Flawless Hair Studio. Photographer was PBK Studios and videographer was Awaken Films.

The couple spent their honeymoon at Sandals Resort in Negril, Jamaica. They are now residing in Hoover.

I purchased my gown at The Something Blue Shoppe in Hartselle, AL. It is a Signature Justin Alexander gown. They picked my dress up in Rome literally a few weeks before I tried it on the store and said yes!

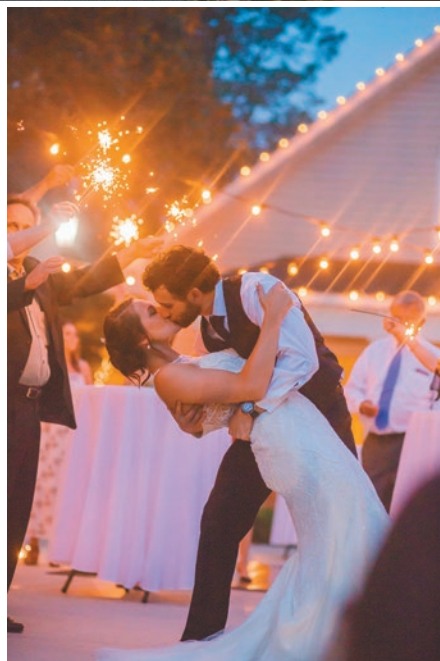
He proposed at the bottom of the Grand Canyon while we were hiking it. During the entire hike (took 3 days), we listened to John Denver. For our first dance song, we danced to "Annie's Song" by John Denver. It brought us back to that magical trip. We had no cell reception at all, so it was amazing to be able to experience the first few blissful days of our engagement with just us two. We didn't have to worry about calling everyone and posting anything on social media just yet. We will cherish that time forever!

We had many wedding showers given to us. The two main ones were from our parents. My family threw us one at our reception venue (Pickett Place) that was a beautiful modern-styled wedding shower. His family threw us one in Pell City, AL at The Brook Besor that was a gorgeous "I Do BBQ" style shower.

We had a guest photobook instead of a guest signing book. We purchased a Polaroid camera with film so guests could take pictures of them at the reception, tape it onto a page, and write us a note. It is one of my favorite keep-sakes from our entire wedding!

I had 1 grandparent from each side of my family pass away, so for the ceremony, I had my grandfather walk down with a rose in memory of my grandmother. My other grandmother walked down the aisle with a rose in memory of my grandfather. They laid their roses in the seats next to them in respect for their memories. Our wedding was everything we ever dreamed of. We are loving married life and excited for this chapter in our lives!

Photos by PBK Studios





Cassie Nicole Hulsey and Derek Tyler Hannah were married on May 11, 2019 in a 6:00 evening ceremony that was held at Hatton Church of Christ in Town Creek with the reception to follow. Officiating the ceremony was Sonni Owens.

The bride is the daughter of Tommy and Paula Hulsey of Tuscumbia, Alabama. Maternal grandparents are the late W.C. "Sonny" Head and Norma Jean Head. Paternal grandparents are the late R.D. Hulsey and the late Helen Hulsey. Honorary grandmother was Sue Cotton, who babysat the bride when she was young.

The groom is the son of Ron and Christie Hannah of Killen, Alabama. Maternal grandparents are Charles and Carlene Mahan. Paternal grandparents are Ronnie and Barbara Hannah.

The bride chose a strapless, ivory, Organza A-Line gown that featured a soft floral printed lace. The bride also chose a jeweled encrusted belt to lay across her natural waistline. The bridal bouquet and the bride's shoes were both hand-crafted by the bride. The bride also handmade the junior bridesmaids' kissing flower balls and the flower girl's petals.

The bride's party included Cassidy Hannah, sister of the groom, Bryson Holland, close friend of the bride, Crystal Tidwell, close friend of the bride, Leslie McGuire, close friend of the bride, Farris Terry, friend since elementary school, and Kristin Hulsey, sister of the bride. Jr Bridesmaids were Emily Tidwell and Lindsey Kate Terry. Flower girl was Addison McGuire. Guest-book attendant was Sonni Latham, cousin of the bride.

The groom's party included Chris Robertson, cousin of the groom, Rhet Roberson, high school friend, Josh Southward, close friend of the groom, Dederick Anderson, close friend of the groom, Hunter Burden, close friend of the groom, and Alex Hannah, brother of the groom. Jr Groomsmen was Corbin McGuire. Ring Bearers were Noah Terry and Jett McGuire.

Wedding director/coordinator was Faith Woods of Faith Woods Events. Caterer was Stacie Oliver, who also made the wedding cake. Bridesmaids attire was from Azazie and the groom and groomsmen suits were from Coats Clothing Co. in Florence. The bride's makeup was done by Willows Day Spa in Tuscumbia. The bride and bridal party's hair was completed by Tiffany Vandiver of o'HAIRa's in Florence. The bridal pictures at the Oaks Plantation in Tuscumbia were taken by the groom's mother, Christie Hannah. The photographer for the wedding and wedding reception was PBK Studios of Florence.

The couple spent their honeymoon on a cruise to Cozumel and Yucatán and are now residing in Tuscumbia.

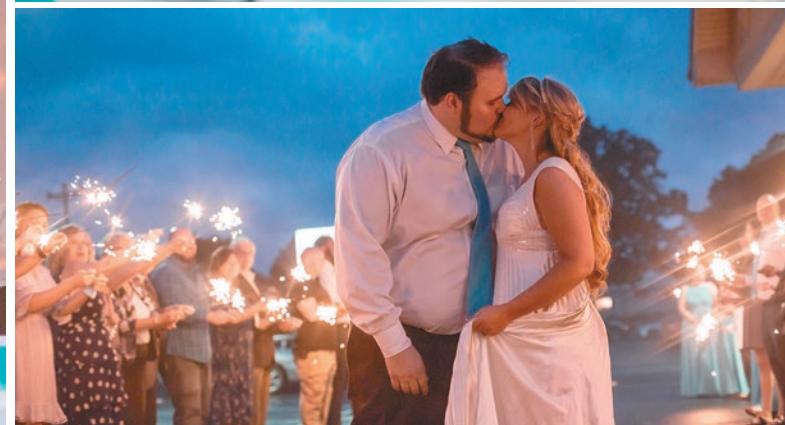
In June 2007, we met at Maywood Christian Camp. We immediately hit it off and became close friends. We lost touch a few years after high school for a couple of years and in spring 2018, we reconnected and immediately started dating. It was like we never even lost touch since we had always gotten along so well. He proposed November 10, 2018 and his mother, Christie, and his sister, Cassidy, captured the moment for us.

We were happy we had chosen to have the wedding inside since it ended up storming most of the day. It was actually thundering so loud that a large sheep dog ended up running through the reception area to hide while the caterers were trying to get everything set up before the wedding. Luckily Farris's husband Adam, a close family friend, had arrived early and he helped to corral the dog in a back hallway.

Thank you so much to everyone who helped and especially to our friends and family in the wedding along with Faith, Tiffany, Stacie, and PBK! We will always be so grateful to everyone who was a part of this day. Thank y'all so much!



Photos by PBK Studios





Amanda Joan Hampton of Hartselle and Colton Jay Ord were married June 22, 2019 at West Hartselle Baptist Church, Hartselle, AL. Dr. Steve Bateman of First Bible church in Decatur officiated the 4:00 PM ceremony. The reception that followed was held at Burningtree Country Club in Decatur, Alabama.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James N. Hampton of Hartselle. She is the granddaughter of the late Amanda H. Kolb and the late Roy H. Kolb both of Jackson, MS. and the late Mr. and Mrs. James E. Hampton of Hartselle.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ord of Decatur, AL. He is the grandson of Mrs. Faye Anderson of Decatur and the late William Kenneth Anderson and the late John Dale Nunez Ord and the late Patricia Ann Ord of Pascagoula, MS.

The bride was given in marriage and escorted by her father. She chose to wear a custom designer sparkling silver beaded wedding dress in light ivory. The molded sweetheart bodice was highlighted with straps of pearls and rhinestones. The back bodice plunged almost to her waist. The slim fitting skirt flared gently from the knee to a tulle embellished trumpet that swept to a cathedral train. Bridal shoes adorned to match the beading of the gown peeked from the hemline. Her cathedral length veil of French tulle was beaded to match her gown and was held with a bridal bandeau of rhinestones and pearls. She carried a bouquet of cream de la cream roses, blush antique roses, hydrangeas with burgundy accents and surrounded by Jackson vine and magnolia leaves. Along with her bouquet, she carried a handkerchief embroidered with her great, great aunt's (and namesake) initials.

Maid of honor was Kelsey Rae, of Decatur, AL. Bridesmaids were Taylor Sively of Hartselle, AL, Leah Roberts Beach of Foley AL, (all friends of the bride). Junior bridesmaids were Claire Blaylock of Madison, AL and Reagan Blaylock of Madison, AL. Flower girls were Emma Blaylock and Rylee Blaylock of Madison, AL. (All are nieces of the bride).

Best Man was the groom's father, Clifford Ord. Groomsmen were Charles Ord and Connor Ord, brothers of the groom; Jordan Guyse of Hartselle, AL, William Brown of Huntsville, AL, Ryan McGail of Atlanta, Georgia, all friends of the groom. Ring bearers were Jacob Blaylock, Jon Ryan Blaylock, and Keegan Blaylock, nephews of the bride.

Honored guests were Mrs. Ethel Lemmond, great great aunt of the bride and Colonel Tyler Fletcher.

Bridal & attendants gowns-The Something Blue Shop of Hartselle-Sarah Morris & TJ Holmes. Wedding gown alterations - Christy Urban. Ceremony music - Deanna Anderson, organist and Jacob Frank, violinist. Wedding directors were Amy and Ellen Robinson of Hartselle. Grace McClendon of Hartselle, AL served as program attendant. Floral designer (church and reception) Karissa Lang of Hartselle and Jackie Smith Johns Aifd of Oneonta. Other decor - Mrs. Candice McCaghren, Shindigs and Such. Reception music by Pro 256 Entertainment. Photography by Heather Graves Studios. Videography by Starnes Media. Bride/bridal party's hair and make-up was by Ashley Thompson of Posh Salon and Whitney Byford and Kimberley Chunn of Silverstone Salon of Hartselle. Brides and grooms cakes - Nicole Windham of Sweet n Sassy Cakes. Outdoor wedding pictures - home of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Guyse, Hartselle, AL. Reception catered by Burningtree Country Club - Juanita Healy

-A Bridal tea hosted by Allyson Land, Beth Rabb, Sarah Morris, Lisa Gault, Anne Glasgow Robin Varwig, Sara Glenn Tanksley, and Meg Knight was given at the Hartselle home of Beth Rabb.

-Friends at West Hartselle Baptist Church gave a bridal brunch.

-Bachelorette Dinner hosted by Maid of Honor, Kelsey Rae Walling.

-Lingerie shower hosted by April Blaylock, Amy Blaylock, and Christie Blaylock was given at the home of Christie Blaylock.

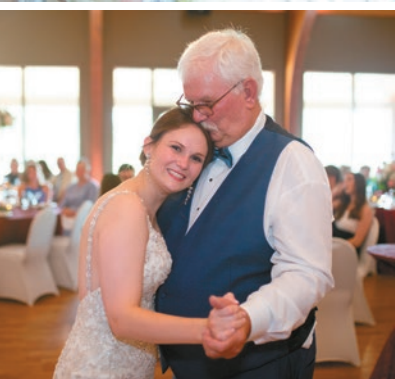
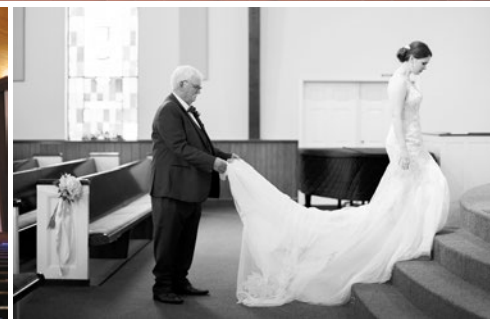
-A children's rehearsal dinner was hosted by Lane Hampton, mother of the bride, at the Freight House in Hartselle.

-The Rehearsal dinner was hosted by parents of the groom (Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Ord, at the Freight House in Hartselle.

-A Bridesmaid Luncheon given by Maggie Parr and Sissi Tanksley was held at the Booth Meadows Clubhouse in Hartselle.

Following their honeymoon to Jamaica, the couple is making their home in Huntsville, Alabama.

Photos by Heather Graves Studios



Farmer, Ray



Ashley Farmer and Kelby Ray were married September 7, 2019 in a 6:00 evening ceremony at Danclay Farms with Kerry Franks officiating. The reception followed at Danclay Farms.

The bride is the daughter of Dale and Lori Farmer of Waynesboro, Tenn. She is the granddaughter of Paula Farmer and the late Donald Farmer, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Saxon.

The groom is the son of Mark and Gwyn Ray of Collinwood, Tenn. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Littrell, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Burns, and the late Bobby Ray.

The bride was escorted by her father. She chose a beautiful Essence of Australia gown from The Something Blue Shoppe.

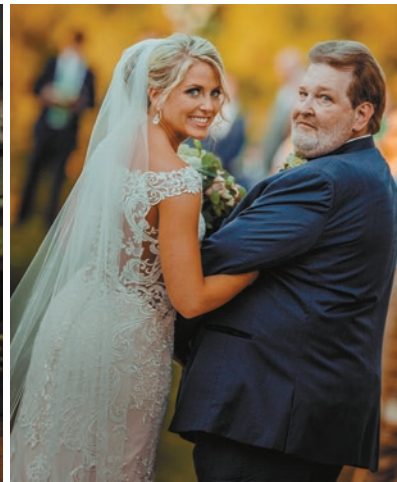
Matron of honor was Katie Stults, best friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Gracie Saxon and Mallory Wright, cousins of the bride; Alana Pigg and Gretchen Greer, friends of the bride. Junior bridesmaids were Brinn Crews, cousin of the bride, and Tessa Littrell, cousin of the groom. Flower girl was Anna Claire Ray, cousin of the groom.

Best man was Spencer Ray, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Jodee Ray, cousin of the groom; Alden Littlejohn, Hunter Adams, and Tucker Robertson, friends of the groom. Junior groomsmen were Dax Risner, nephew of the groom. Ring bearer was Cruz Risner, nephew of the groom.

Wedding director was Kelli Brown of Something to Celebrate. Floral director was Christie Littrell. Caterer was Jill's Sweet Memories. The wedding cake was made by Jill's Sweet Memories and the groom's cake was made by Tammy Gross. Providing music for the ceremony and entertaining guests at the reception was C & C Music Entertainment. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Valerie Crews. Photographer was Rebekah Photography and videographer was Andrews Media Productions.

For their honeymoon, the couple took a Royal Caribbean Cruise to the Bahamas. They are now residing in Collinwood, Tenn.

Photos by Rebekah Photography



Brown, Wallace



Rebekah Brown and Tyler Wallace were married October 26, 2019 at 5:00 in the afternoon at the Wallace Barn with Randy Wallace officiating. The reception followed at the barn.

The bride is the daughter of Keith and Susan Brown of Florence. She is the granddaughter of the late Walker and Gay Brilliant Brown of Florence, and the late Elbert and Gladys Davis of Tusculumbia.

The groom is the son of Ryan and Tara Wallace of Florence. He is the grandson of Frances Fannin of Haleyville, Randy and Susan Wallace of Iron City, Tenn., and Minnie Wallace of Florence.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a champagne and ivory embellished lace gown by Galina Signature from David's Bridal in Huntsville. It was complimented by a rose gold diamond head band, a rose gold heart necklace that was a gift from the groom, pearl earrings borrowed from her mother, and a rose gold diamond sash belt. The bride's wedding band was custom designed by Neil Lane.

Maid of honor was Rachel Brown, sister of the bride, and matron of honor was Tori Plyler, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Albrece Olive, Maleah Mason, and Anna Clemmons. Flower girl was Asa Plyler, friend of the bride.

Best man was Dakodah Rice, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Josh Brown, brother of the bride; Bradly Mason, Markus Clemmons, and Billy Williamson. Ring bearer was Luca Plyler, friend of the bride.

Wedding director was Karen Mitchell. Floral designer was Cindy Harrison. Music for the ceremony and the reception was provided by Joseph Baldwin. The reception was catered by Homeside Restaurant. The wedding cake was made by Amy's Cakes and the groom's cake was made by Courtney Patterson. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Hannah Phillips. Photographer was Jenna Perry of Love + Bloom Studio and videographer was Ace Eaton.

The couple spent their honeymoon at the Atlantis Resort, Paradise Island, Bahamas. They are now residing in Florence.

Photos by Love + Bloom Studio



Abernathy, Cook



How We Met

How we met was simply by divine appointment...literally. It was a cold December day, December 22, 2014 to be exact, and I was abruptly woken up by my mom to attend a last minute dentist appointment. I rushingly got up, threw on some sweat pants, put my hair on top of my head, and was on my way. And boy was I ill at have been woken up early during Christmas break. I arrive at the dentist office, check in, and take my seat. As I was sitting waiting for my name to be called, there is only one other person in the waiting room. Across the room from me sits this curly-headed boy with a Florence football t-shirt on with what I thought were khaki pants (they were actually Carharts) tucked into his old, worn out, Dan Post boots. I though "hm, what strange attire, why is he staring at me?!" So as I continue to wait, I keep staring at him to try and catch him staring at me. I calmly grabbed my phone, raised it up to perfectly point at him, took his picture, and captioned it "cute boy at the dentist office" and sent it to my mom only trying to get a rise out of her. At this point I was just annoyed and bored and ready to get on with my day. They finally call my name, I get my teeth cleaned, and I leave. I go home, take a short nap, and wake up to find a new Instagram follow request. I click on it, and surprisingly say "Mom! That boy from the dentist office just found me on Instagram and followed me!!" Confused, I start to message him and he instantly sent a message saying "Was that you in the dentist office today, or is this the wrong person?" Sooo OF COURSE I message him back...and the rest is history. As Ben and I continued to talk to each other, I learned that he was not supposed to be at the dentist office at that time. His appointment time was actually confused, and he came earlier than he was supposed to. As I prayed for the husband I would one day have, I know it was not by accident Ben and I crossed paths that day. Everything happens for a reason and in God's timing. Ben is hardworking, loyal, honest, sincere, and loving. I am so excited to start my life with him. Please pray for us that we have the guidance we need as we become one, and we follow the path Jesus has laid out for us. We are so excited to have everyone be a part of our big day, and to celebrate what He has put together!

Hannah-Catherine Abernathy and Ben Cook were married June 22, 2019 in a 5:00 afternoon ceremony at Ava's Place with Bobby Gourley officiating. The reception followed at Ava's Place.

The bride is the daughter of Jimmy and Donna Abernathy of Florence. She is the granddaughter of Verlia Gable and the late Robert Gable, and Martha Moore, all of Florence.

The groom is the son of Charlie and Beverly Cook of Florence. He is the grandson of Wallace and Kay Smith, Connie Garrett, and Danny Hughes, all of Florence.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a white jersey dress and a white cathedral veil from David's Bridal.

Maid of honor was Josie Sparks, best friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Torie Garner, Kathryn Montgomery, Sarah Beth Waddell, and Mary Alan Tice, all friends of the bride. Flower girls were Shiloh Smith and Paisley Smith, twin cousins of the groom.

Best man was the groom's father, Charlie Cook. Groomsmen were Brandon Smith, cousin of the groom; Adam Abernathy, brother of the bride; Andrew Cook, brother of the groom; John Murphy, Garrett Bozeman, and Everett Ruggles, friends of the groom. The bride and groom shared their first communion together as a couple during the ceremony, signifying their union as one, they braided the cord of three strands displaying their desire to keep Christ in the center of their marriage.

Wedding director was Nancy Wilson. Floral designer was Cindy Harrison. Catering the reception was Becky O'Kelley of Creative Catering, and the wedding cake and groom's cake were made by Lana Copeland. Providing music for the ceremony and entertaining guests at the reception was Lavale and Sonya Cooper of C.C. Music Entertainment. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Layla Howard. Photographers were Courtney Ann Browder Photography and Sommer Hamilton of Saving Grace Photography. Videographer was Al Hammond of Awaken Films. Other special helpers were Charlene Talley, Jill Holt, and Paige Stephens.

After a honeymoon trip to Gatlinburg, Tenn., the couple is now residing in Florence.

Bridal Photos by Courtney Ann Browder Photography and Wedding Photography by Sommer Hamilton of Saving Grace Photography





Plunket, Harrison

The couple was engaged in June, 2018 on the beach at Amelia Island while on a family vacation, with the groom popping the question as a banner plane flew by asking her to marry him.

Bailey Plunket and Lee Harrison were married March 2, 2019 at 5:00 in the afternoon at Sherrod Avenue Church of Christ in Florence with Tony Choate, the bride's youth minister at Chisholm Hills Church of Christ, officiating. The reception was held at Pickett Place following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Chris and Felicia Plunket of Florence. She is the granddaughter of Bob Plunket and the late Jan Plunket of Tuscumbia, and Ken and Brenda Godsey of Florence.

The groom is the son of Jeff and Carol Harrison of Florence. He is the grandson of the late Ralph Harrison, the late Dorothy Thomas, and Dorothy Matthews and the late Fulton Matthews, all of Florence.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a beautiful white lace long sleeved gown from Cherry Tree Lane. She also wore her mother's veil with overlays added from her mother's wedding dress.

Maid of honor was Jessa Plunket, sister of the bride, and matron of honor was Hope Clark Birdwell, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Sara Plunket Van Senus, Julie Plunket, cousins of the bride; Dalton Puryear, Marlie Wear Smith, and Hallie Abernathy Dean. Flower girls were Marlie Tidwell and Lila Jane Richardson, cousins of the bride.

Best man was the groom's father, Jeff Harrison. Groomsmen were Jay Harrison and Beau Harrison, brothers of the groom; Davis Whitten and Jonathan Marks, friends of the groom. Ushers were Murphy Tidwell, Charlie Richardson, Ty Murphy, and Drake Murphy, all cousins of the bride.

Wedding director was Laurie Mitchell, aunt of the bride. Floral designer was Tia's Florist. Caterer was Jill Larkin of Jill's Sweet Memories. The wedding cake was made by Lynsi Bragwell of Lynsi's Cakes, and Carol Harrison, mother of the groom, made the cupcakes and cookies for the groom's table. Hair stylist was Susan Puryear of Halo Hair Downtown. Photographer was Jennifer Tidwell of Jennifer Photography and videographer was Bob Plunket, cousin of the bride. Other special helpers were Selina Riley, aunt of the bride, Deana Moore, Kathy Clark, and Daniel Murphy.

After a honeymoon at the Hyatt Zilara in Cancun, Mexico, the couple is now residing in Killen.

Photos by Jennifer Photography





Megan Elizabeth Lynn McDonald and Austin Clay Broadfoot were married June 15, 2019 at 5:30 in the afternoon at Killen Church of Christ with Bill Speight, great-uncle of the bride, officiating. A reception was held at Danclay Farms following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Brian and Stacy McDonald of Killen. She is the granddaughter of Doyle and Linda McDonald of Killen, and Eddy McAlister and the late Susan McAlister of Charlotte, N.C.

The groom is the son of Kevin and Amy Broadfoot of Killen. He is the grandson of Jack and Martha Broadfoot and Gerald and Shirley Swicegood, all of Florence.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a fitted lace gown with scattered beading with a sweetheart neckline and beaded straps, along with a garter that was worn by her mother at her wedding. Her jewelry featured drop pearl earrings that belonged to her grandmother and a pearl necklace given to her by her father. Her "something blue" was a blue topaz ring that belonged to her mother that she wore on her bouquet of white and peach roses.

Maid of honor was Mary Lindsay Lovelace, best friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Caitlyn Baker, Summer Ezzell, Jessica Peebles, Sarah Elizabeth Sherrod, Haley Thomas, Allie Whitaker, all friends of the bride; Lauren Broadfoot, sister of the groom; and Mckenzi Ellis, cousin of the bride. Flower girls were Nora Broadfoot, cousin of the groom, and Ashley Lambert, a student of the bride.

Best man was Kevin Broadfoot, father of the groom. Groomsmen were Tyler Broadfoot, brother of the groom; Nathan McDonald and Eli McDonald, brothers of the bride; Skyler Beck, Mason Castille, Logan Ezzell, Austin Martindale, Joe McIlwain, Justin Nelson, and Tucker Norwood, all friends of the groom. Ring bearer was Mikey Spearman, cousin of the bride.

Wedding director was Terri Brown of Kiss the Bride. Floral designer was Amanda Gooch. Caterer was Jill's Sweet Memories, who also made the wedding cake and apple pie and banana pudding for the groom's table. Entertaining guests at the reception was DJ Grayson Brown. Hair stylist was Kyla Warden and make-up artist was DeAnna Putman, both of Textür. Photographer was Heather Sherrill of Create Portraiture.

A bridesmaids brunch was given by the bride's two great-aunts at The Factory Cafe. Attendants included Westyn and Paxton Newell, former students of the bride, and Madi Norwood, friend of the bride and groom. The arch used in the ceremony was made by the groom's father. Wedding favors were small jars of delicious strawberry jam made by That's My Jam.

For their honeymoon the couple stayed at La Toc, a Sandals all-inclusive resort in St. Lucia. They're now residing in Smiths Station, Ala.

Photos by Create Portraiture





Gordon, Thompson

Katelynn Elaine Gordon and Coleman Alan Thompson were married March 16, 2019 at 5:30 in the afternoon at First United Methodist Church in Russellville. Officiating the ceremony was the bride's father, Rev. Elliott Gordon, along with Rev. Kerry Franks. The reception followed in the church's Ministry Center.

The bride is the daughter of Rev. Elliott and Ponda Gordon of Russellville. She is the granddaughter of Betty Stults of Russellville, Sammy and Barbara Stults of Russellville, Sandra and the late Charles Gowing of Carrollton, Ga., and the late Charles Gordon of Georgetown, Texas.

The groom is the son of Steve and Judy Jones of Waynesboro, Tenn. and Paris and Renee Thompson of Hohenwald, Tenn. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shipp, Mr. and Mrs. Don Meredith, and the late Rev. and Mrs. Paul Thompson, all of Hohenwald, Tenn.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a champagne ivory Timeless Oleg Cassini cap sleeve ball gown with intricate lace details and beading with a coordinating chapel length veil. She carried a bouquet of white roses, hydrangea and greenery with the stems covered with a handkerchief that belonged to her great-great-grandmother and held together with her sorority pen. The bride's "something old" was a piece of her mother's wedding dress sewn into her dress with her mother's wedding date on it. Her "something borrowed" was her mother's pearl earrings that her mother wore on her wedding day, and her mother's diamond tennis bracelet. For her "something blue", the bride's mother sewed the wedding date inside the dress in blue.

Maid of honor was Leslie Taylor and matron of honor was Jackson Schuster. Bridesmaids were Anna Conner, Jennifer Holland, Noelle Howdyshell, Savannah Johnson, Abby McWilliams, and Laurel Wade. Bride's attendant was Addison Oden. Flower girls were Zoe Hartsell and Hadley Oden. Guest book attendants were Erin Masterson and Lauren Alford.

Best man was Taner Swinea. Groomsmen were Andrew Butler, Justin Burns, Charlie Gordon, Spencer Hammond, Johnathon Schuster, Eric Staggs, and Corey Vandiver. Ring bearer was Harrison Singleton and bible bearer was Jacob Hartsell.

Wedding director was Gayle McAlister. Floral designer was Carmalita Coan of Carmalita's Weddings and Floral Events. Ceremony music was provided by pianist Jason Hartsell and vocalist Sherene Wade. Caterer was Jill's Sweet Memories, who also made the wedding and groom's cakes. Hair stylists were Dana Aycock and Samantha Bragwell of Kameo Salon. Makeup artist was Jessica McSpadden. Photographer was Hannah Olinger of Terry Photography and videographer was Bryon Hellums. The Ministry Center was decorated by Shindigs & Such. The fireworks show was put on by Stults Brothers Fireworks.

The bride's brother sang a surprise song for the bride and groom, "Dancing with Cinderella".

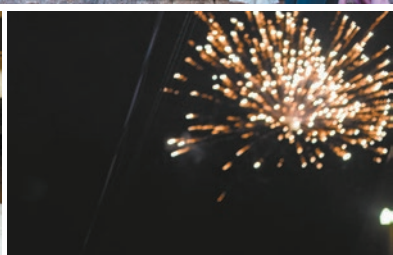
A rehearsal dinner was held at Twin Pines Country Club.

A bridal tea was held at the home of Mrs. Sherene Wade, hosted by friends. A bridesmaid luncheon was held at the home of Mrs. Lela Ray, hosted by friends. A kitchen shower was held at First United Methodist Church, hosted by friends. Two showers were held in Tennessee in honor of the bride and groom.

A special thank you to Chase Sparks for the use of his antique Volkswagen Beetle that the couple left the church in.

After a honeymoon at Secrets Maroma Beach Riviera in Cancun, Mexico, the couple is now residing in Trinity.

Photos by Terry Photography



Mullen, Eady



Maitlyn Mullen and Sebastian Eady were married April 6, 2019 at 6:00 in the evening at Windgate Farms in Jasper. Officiating the beautiful outdoor ceremony was Elder Charles Kitchens, Elder Adam Kinsaul, and Elder Derrick Kitchens. The reception followed at Windgate Farms.

The bride is the daughter of Ronald and Sherry Mullen of Jasper. The groom is the son of Nancy Holmes of Gardendale and Chris and Angela Eady of Decatur.

The bride chose a beautiful full length lace gown from Diane's Formal Affair in Jasper, and carried a bouquet of white and pink roses.

Maid of honor was Jennifer Childers and matron of honor was Grace Satterfield, both friends of the bride. Bridesmaids were Amy Usrey and Libby Cowart, friends of the bride, and Lauren Wimberley, cousin of the bride. Flower girl was Claire Wimberley, cousin of the bride.

Best men were Dylan Lottier and Austin Diffy, friends of the groom. Groomsmen were Johnathon Palomarez and Juan Pablo Pilco, friends of the groom, and Andrew Holmes, brother of the groom. Ushers were Grant Wimberley and Luke Wimberley, cousins of the bride.

Wedding directors were Deliska Lee, Bree Smith, and Brittany Lee. Floral designers were Eddie Brown and Beth Able - Floral Creations. Music for the ceremony and reception was provided by Platinum Events - DJ Platinum. Five Loaves Bakery catered the reception and made the wedding cake and groom's cake. Lighting was provided by A.G. Lighting. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Laura Cain. Photographer was Janet Wilson and videographer was Clay Carroll Videography.

After a honeymoon trip to Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla., the couple is now residing in Vestavia Hills, Ala.

Photos by Janet Wilson



Sparks, Brown



Jayla Sparks and Will Brown were married April 6, 2019 at 1:00 in the afternoon at Colleyville Church of Christ with Jason Sparks, father of the bride, officiating. The reception was held at Brown Trail Church of Christ following the ceremony. A reception was held in Alabama in honor of the new Mr. & Mrs. Brown on June 30, 2019 at 2:00 in the afternoon at Killen Church of Christ.

The bride is the daughter of Jason and Karla Sparks of Caddo Mills, Texas. She is the granddaughter of Marge Suiter and the late Mike Suiter of Tipton, Okla., and Mike and Freda Sparks of Athens, Texas.

The groom is the son of Terry and Terri Brown of Killen, Ala. He is the grandson of Jerry and Sandra Mitchell and Bill and Rebecca Brown, all of Killen.

The bride wore a ivory knee-length dress with cap sleeves and a lace overlay. For the Alabama reception she wore earrings that were a gift to her from the groom's mother, that had been a gift to her from her mother-in-law.

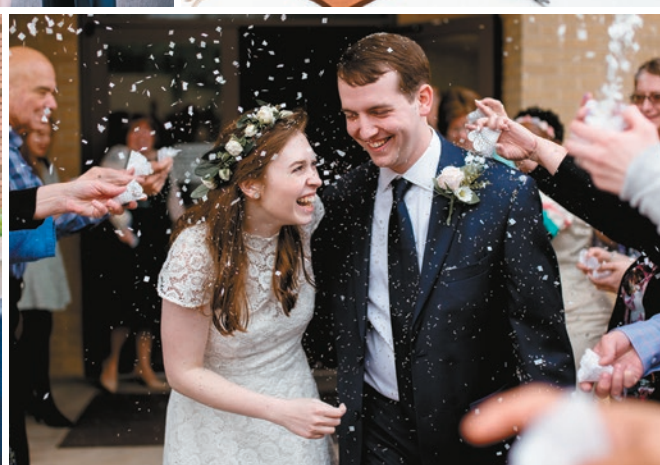
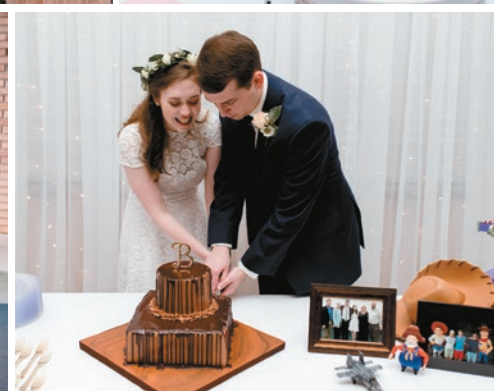
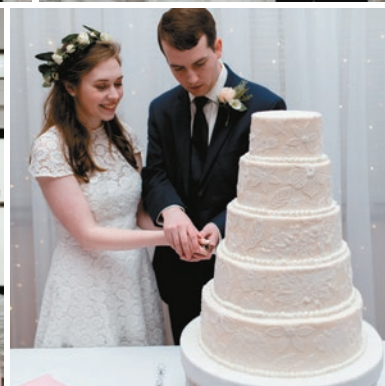
Attending the bride as matron of honor was Carly Sparks, sister-in-law of the bride. The groom chose his father, Terry Brown, as his best man.

Wedding director was the groom's mother, Terri Brown of Kiss The Bride. Floral designer for the wedding and Texas reception was Lucinda Mooney and for the Alabama reception was Cindy Harrison. Catering the reception in Texas was Lucinda Mooney, and Jill Larkin of Jill's Sweet Memories catered a cookie bar and a beverage bar for the Alabama reception. The wedding cake and groom's cake were made by the bride's mother, Karla Sparks. Photographer for the ceremony and Texas reception was ABI Poe, and photographer for the Alabama reception was Heather Sherrill of Create Portraiture.

For the Alabama reception, the groom's grandfather brought his 1947 Hudson convertible for special pictures.

After a honeymoon in San Antonio, Texas, the couple is now residing in Haltom City, Texas.

Photos by ABI Poe and Create Portraiture





Richmond, James



Sydney Richmond and Dakota James were married October 12, 2019 in a 6:00 evening ceremony held at Danclay Farms in Florence with Brooks Bergman officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Stephen and Jennifer Richmond of Killen and Rebecca Richmond of Tuscumbia. She is the granddaughter of Bud and Gloria Richmond of Florence and John and Emily Sherrod of Tuscumbia.

The groom is the son of Randy James and Tammy James, both of Rogersville. He is the grandson of Elaine James and the late Don James, Betty Brown, and Larry Brown.

The bride wore a white long-sleeved gown by designer Elizabeth Dye, purchased from The Sentimentalist in Atlanta, Ga. with a floor-length veil purchased from La Raine's Bridal Boutique in Atlanta, Ga. She also wore Tiffany pearl drop earrings that belong to her step-mother, and her grandmother's sapphire bracelet.

Maid of honor was Rachel Richmond, sister of the bride, and matron of honor was Allison Allen, best friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Lindsey Young, Abby Norton, Hannah James, LeAnne Durrett, all friends of the bride; and Anabella James, sister of the groom. Bridesman was Sidney Gooch, friend of the bride. Flower girls were Effie Exarchos and Elena Exarchos, cousins of the groom.

Best man was the groom's brother, Justin James. Groomsmen were Daniel Tiede, Patton Jones, Kelton Tully, and Hunter Allen, all friends of the groom. Ring bearer was Jackson James, nephew of the groom.

Wedding directors were Allison Allen and Laura Horton. Floral designer was Jennifer Thomas of Meta's Garden. Caterer was Jill's Sweet Memories, who also made the wedding cake and groom's cake. Reception entertainment was provided by DJ Truth Bomb Entertainment. Hair stylist was Mellany Lancaster and make-up artist was Corey Nichols. Photographer was Andrew Swindle. Other special helpers were Marquetta Brown and Conrad and Nancy Stendor.

The ring bearer's pillow was made by the bride's great-aunt, with brooches attached from the bride's great-grandmothers.

After spending a week at the beach for their honeymoon, the couple is now residing in Birmingham.

Photos by Andrew Swindle





Keenum, McGee

Morgan Rae Keenum and Christopher William McGee were married May 11, 2019 at 6:00 in the evening at Pleasant View Farm in Iron City, Tenn. Nolan Clemons officiated the ceremony and the reception followed at Pleasant View.

The bride is the daughter of Jack and Tina Keenum of Florence. She is the granddaughter of Billy and Myra Perkins and the late Mr. and Mrs. Jack Keenum, Sr., all of Florence.

The groom is the son of John and Carla McGee of Kevil, Ky. He is the grandson of Elvis and Reba Williams of Lexington, and John W. McGee, Sr. and the late Darlene Mae Saline McGee of Ramseur, N.C.

The bride wore a beautiful white gown with beading and crystal embellishments with a matching veil from Juanita's Fashions.

Matron of honor was Kristen McCaney of Florence, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Jessica Walker of Nashville, Tenn., sister-in-law of the bride and Desiree White of Florence, friend of the bride.

Best man was Colby Breckinridge of Lexington, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Kyle Walker of Nashville, Tenn., brother of the bride; Eric Youngman of Florence, uncle of the groom; and Sean McArthur of Florence, friend of the groom.

Floral designer was Justin Myrick. Music for the ceremony and the reception was provided by Shawn Nix. The reception was catered by Bev's Diner and Catering of Waterloo, and the wedding cake and groom's cake were made by Amy's Cakes. Hair stylist was Megan Robertson of Relax Salon. Photographer was Kellen Walker Photography.

After a honeymoon cruise to Nassau and Freeport, Bahamas, the couple is now residing in Florence.

Photos by Keelan Walker Photography



Prince, Bendall



Hannah Nicole Prince and Jackson Blake Bendall were married October 12, 2019 at 5:00 in the evening in a beautiful outdoor ceremony at Elysium in Danville, Ala. with Jacob Wallace officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Terry and Tonya Prince of Spruce Pine. She is the granddaughter of Doris Prince and the late Joe Prince of Russellville, and Brenda Stone and the late Jimmy Stone of Spruce Pine.

The groom is the son of Brett and Natalie Bendall of Russellville. He is the grandson of Gene Ray and Shelia Bendall of Russellville, Beverly and Don Oliver of Hodges, and the late Neil Jackson of Russellville.

The bride chose a beautiful trumpet style gown by Eve of Milady from Bridals by Lori in Atlanta, Ga., the bridal store featured on the hit TLC show, *Say Yes to the Dress Atlanta*.

Maid of honor was Trinity Ridley, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Callie Beth Mayberry, Caitlyn Tompkins Grigsby, Savannah Roland, Alicia Atilano, Naomi Liriano, all friends of the bride; Ashley Terry Foster and Elizabeth Prince Skelton, cousins of the bride. Something Blue - Andrea Mayberry. Flower girls were Emma Fuller, cousin of the bride, and Aliya Young, family friend.

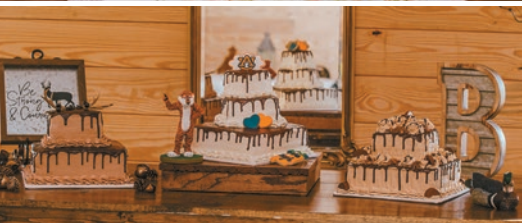
Best man was the groom's father, Brett Bendall. Groomsmen were Brayden Bendall, brother of the groom; Luke Bendall and Aaron Jackson, cousins of the groom; Baylor Arnold, Ethan Housel, Conner Weldon, and Caleb Bush, all friends of the groom. Ring bearers were Wyatt Fuller and Peyton Foster, cousins of the bride.

Wedding director was Kelly Peevy and floral designer was Paige Cloud. Music for the ceremony was provided by Christy Henson, Tommy Quinn, and Dustin Richardson. The reception, which was held at Elysium following the ceremony, was catered by Southern Skillet Catering. The wedding cake was made by Tina Whiteside and the groom's cakes were made by Samantha Montgomery. Entertaining guests at the reception was Dustin Richardson. Hair stylists and make-up artists were Lindsey Chowning Robinson, Madison Pearson, and Faith Swinney Ezzell. Photographer was Heather Sherrill of Create Portraiture and videographer was Awaken Films.

A bridal shower was held at the home of Paula Malone Young, and a Christmas shower was given by Mandy Prince Barksdale and Rita Massey Prince.

The couple honeymooned at El Dorado Casitas Royale in Cancun, Mexico, and are now residing in Russellville.

Photos by Create Portraiture



Bowling, Littrell



Macy Bowling and Chris Littrell were married May 18, 2019 at 6:00 in the evening at Robert Trent Jones of the Shoals. The beautiful outdoor ceremony was officiated by Caleb Chambers. A reception followed at the RTJ club house.

The bride is the daughter of David and Mary Bowling of Florence. She is the granddaughter of the late Wilburn and Verna Thorne and the late James and Ann Bowling.

The groom is the son of Randall and Nancy Littrell of Florence. He is the grandson of the late Randall and Ann Littrell and the late Fred and Opal Gambrell.

The bride was escorted by her father. She chose a Enzoani Karter full length mermaid gown featuring a classic sweetheart neckline with beaded spaghetti straps and a lightly beaded bodice with delicate romantic lace.

Matron of honor was Leah Morrissey, sister of the bride, maids of honor were Emily Collum and Sarah Taylor Quillen, friends of the bride. Bridesmaids were Emma Bowling, Kelly Fuller, Ann Burton Elliott, Melissa Thorniley, and Brittanie Finnerty. Flower girls were Addison, Amelia, and Audrey Morrissey, nieces of the bride. The bridal attendants wore two styles of dress in a classic cream color from Bella's in Birmingham.

Best man was the groom's father, Randy Littrell. Groomsmen were Madison Littrell, brother of the groom, Jordan Brock, Cory Jones, Will Richardson, John Burson, Jackson Hardman, and Dylan Wilson. Ushers were Ben Bowling, brother of the bride; Bailey and Sam Bowling, nephews of the bride; Matthew Casanova, John Thigpen, and Max Bivens. The groom's attendants wore black suits from Coats Clothing Co.

Wedding directors were Mary Bowling, mother of the bride; Mary F. Bowling, sister-in-law of the bride; and Christine Minor of RTJ. Floral designer was Kaitlin Richardson of Forever Wild Floral Company. Music for the ceremony and the reception was provided by Emerald Empire Band. Robert Trent Jones of the Shoals catered the reception. The bride and groom's cakes were made by Wendy Weeks. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Natalie Moore. Photographer was Kristen Pugh of Be Light Photography and videographer was Awaken Films. Other special helpers were Janey and Easton Rohling, surprise shakers. Invitations and other paper products were provided by Printers and Stationers, Inc. Antique car chauffeur was Bill Lovelace.

A bridesmaid luncheon was given at the home of Jennifer Collum, hosted by Jennifer Collum, Regina Quillen, and Danielle Elliott. The Women's Ministry at Woodmont Baptist Church presented the bride with a Bible to begin her new life as a wife. It was presented by Charlotte Cramer.

The couple took private dance lessons from Michael Rodie. At the reception Chris and Macy danced a modified fox trot and waltz with lifts to "From This Moment" by Shania Twain and Bryan White. Chris and his mom, Nancy, danced a waltz to "Valentine" by Martina McBride and Jim Brickman. Macy and her dad, David, danced a fox trot to "Find Your Wings" by Mark Harris.

After a honeymoon at Sandals Royal Barbados, the couple is now residing in Florence.

Photos by Be Light Photography





Killen, Suggs



Morgan Killen and Kaleb Suggs were married September 21, 2019 at 6:30 in the evening at Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail with Gavin McGee officiating. The reception followed at the RTJ Clubhouse.

The bride is the daughter of Brad Killen and Keri Killen of Killen. She is the granddaughter of Derrick and Rebecca Killen and the late Chester and June Davis, all of Florence.

The groom is the son of Jeff Suggs and the late Rita Suggs of Tuscumbia. He is the grandson of Geneva Simpson and the late Herbert Simpson of Killen, and Jerry and Marie Suggs of Tuscumbia.

The bride was escorted by her father wearing a beautiful white 2019 Modesta bridal gown from Town and Country Bridal in Madison.

Maid of honor was Lindsey Killen, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Anne Walton Herston, Erin Clemmons, Brodie Thigpen, Lindzy Richardson, Maggie Killen, Alexandra Parameswaran, Alexa Johnson, and Sarah Harper. Flower girls were Lizzie Hines and Etta Margaret Killen.

Best man was the groom's father, Jeff Suggs. Groomsmen were Scott Suggs, Tanner Gatlin, Austin McCaig, Cody Counce, Raleigh Killen, Jacob Walker, Tyler Grigsby, and Chris Elliott. Ring bearer was Langston Herring, nephew of the groom, and bible bearer was Carson Suggs, cousin of the groom. Ushers were Carter Suggs and Cheston Davis.

Wedding director and floral designer was Dawn Pettus. Caterer was the catering staff at RTJ. The wedding cake and groom's cake was made by Dawn Pettus. Reception entertainment was provided by Wendell and Kendell Dean. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Mandi Beavers. Photographer was Michael Vandiver of MDV Studios, and videographer was Awaken Films.

The couple departed the reception in the same vehicle the bride's parents departed in after their wedding - the bride's late grandfather's 1948 Chevy convertible.

After enjoying a week-long honeymoon at the beach, the couple is now residing in Florence.

Photos by MDV Studios





Roberts, Higdon

Kaitlyn Rae Roberts and Jake Colby Higdon were married November 2, 2019 at The Givens House at Glenn Hill with Justin McAlpin officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Charlie and Kim Roberts of Trinity. She is the granddaughter of Joe and Caroline Whitmer and Nell Roberts and the late Charles Roberts.

The groom is the son of Ben and Toni Higdon of Trinity. He is the grandson of Frank and Billie Higdon and Kenneth Throneberry and the late Jean Throneberry.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a lovely tulle bridal gown with an illusion neckline and low back with cap sleeves with embroidery and beading on the bodice and throughout the skirt, with a semi-cathedral train to complete the look. A special blue heart, made from her daddy's tie, made her gown special as well as her garter made from her mom's wedding gown. The bride's shoes were sparkly Kate Spade tennis shoes.

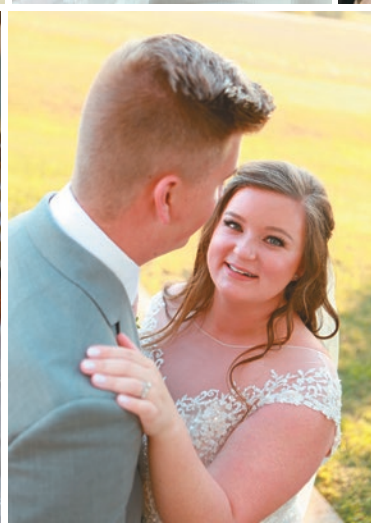
Honorary bridesmaid was Sarah Frances Waldrop, cousin of the bride.

Wedding director was Kim Blankenship and floral designers were Kim Blankenship and Hayden Auen. Ceremony music was performed by violinist Casandra Hawkins and pianist Collin Riddle. Hair stylist was Lindsey Robinson of Halo Hair Salon. Photographer was Carla Swinney.

The reception was held at The Givens House at Glenn Hill also, following the ceremony. The reception was catered by special friends and the wedding cake was made by Sherlene Coffey.

After a honeymoon trip to Boston, Mass., the couple is now residing in Trinity.

Photos by Carla Swinney





Willingham, Hayes

Olivia Ann Willingham and Nickolai Allen Hayes were married May 4, 2019 in a noon ceremony at Tuscumbia Church of Christ with Thomas Willingham, brother of the bride, officiating. The reception followed at the church annex.

The bride is the daughter of Mark and Janet Willingham of Florence. She is the granddaughter of Jack and Pat Wellman of St. Joseph, Tenn., and Dewey and Mary Jane Willingham of Sheffield.

The groom is the son of Lee and Amy Hayes of Columbia, Tenn. He is the grandson of Penny Washington of Cleveland, Miss., and Gabby and Linda Hayes of Nashville, Tenn.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a beautiful white gown with the bodice and long sleeves in lace, with a flowing skirt purchased from The Something Blue Shoppe.

Maid of honor was Tiffany Allen, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Chelsea Willingham, sister-in-law of the bride; Mary Brooke Willis, Rebecca Simpson, Ellie White, Katherine Beavers, Tatyana Rutherford, Sabrina Rebuck, and Rachel Barrantes, all friends of the bride. Flower girls were Lena Paden and Lauren Vaughn of San Diego, Calif. and Stella McGee of Florence, all cousins of the bride.

Best man was Blake Hayes, twin brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Lee Hayes, father of the groom; Michael Thomas, Jordan Geiser, and John Ross, all friends of the groom.

Wedding director was Emily Edwards. Floral designer was Pam Thomas of May Flowers. Caterer was Jill's Sweet Memories and Denise Davis made the wedding cake. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Taylor McGee of Textür. Photographer was Hollis Photography and videographer was Erin Cody.

After a honeymoon in Savannah, Ga., the couple is now residing in Florence.

Photos by Hollis Photography







Foster, Lawson

Elizabeth Foster and Corey Lawson were married September 21, 2019 in a beautiful outdoor ceremony at Cedarwood Weddings in Whites Creek, Tenn. John David Crowe officiated the ceremony and a reception followed at Cedarwood.

The bride is the daughter of Joe and Nancy Foster of Russellville. She is the granddaughter of Althea Starling and Bill and Judy Foster.

The groom is the son of Randy and Marsha Lawson of Athens. He is the grandson of Ann Lawson.

The bride chose a beautiful full lace Martina Liana Bridal gown from The Something Blue Shoppe.

Maid of honor Rachel Scruton, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Taylor Lawson, sister-in-law of the groom; Paloma Goodspeed and Cassie Anne Starling, cousins of the bride; Crissy Roberts and Amanda Beson, friends of the bride. Flower girl was Huston Thompson, family friend.

Best man was Todd Lawson, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Brad Thompson, Mark Sanchez, Dave Ryan, Jeff Addison, and Leo Zayas, all friends of the groom. Ring bearer was Jake Stonestreet, friend of the bride.

Wedding director was Cedarwood Weddings. Flowers and ceremony music were provided by Cedarwood Weddings. Caterer was Dream Events & Catering, and Nashville Sweets made the wedding cake and groom's cake. Entertaining guests at the reception was Premier - The Entertainment Company. Hair stylist was Kris Miller of Hunter Paige by Parlour 3 and make-up artist was Hope Gentry of Hunter Paige by Parlour 3. Photographer was Bluebird Redbirds and videographer was Lumpstick Productions.

After a mini-honeymoon in Florida after the wedding, the couple is planning a cruise for March, 2020. They are now residing in Nashville, Tenn.

Photos by Bluebird Redbirds







Johnson, Borden

During a perfect, fall Sunday afternoon ceremony, I married my best friend, Garrett Borden.

My fairy tale wedding took place at the beautiful venue, Oliver's Barn, in Killen, AL on October 27, 2019. Decorated with pumpkins, mums, and sunflowers, I absolutely loved our fall themed wedding. Sonny Owens, minister at Spring Valley church of Christ, officiated our ceremony in front of a host of family, friends, co-workers, and church family.

My mother is Sarah Smith, of Killen, AL. My maternal grandparents are Katie Cochran and the late Cliff Cochran of Mobile, AL.

Garrett's parents are Raymond Borden, of Leighton, AL and Janet Borden Griffin of Florence, AL. Cline and Mary Borden of Leighton, AL are his paternal grandparents. Gillie Guinn and the late Zula Greenhill Guinn of Russellville, AL are his maternal grandparents.

Escorted by my mother, I walked down the aisle, lined with an ivory carpet rolled out for me by my soon to be husband.

My attendants wore burgundy floor length dresses and carried bouquets of orange roses. Kayla McGee, served as my maid of honor. (Madison, AL) Charlie Lamberth, (Florence, AL) and my aunt, Jennifer Jones, (Scottsburg, IN) served as bridesmaids.

Garrett's dad served as the best man. His brother, Kalon Borden, (Northport, AL), and friend, Kyle Hawkins, (Florence, AL), served as groomsmen.

Our precious mini attendants did their jobs perfectly. Garrett's cousins, Adley and Ellynn Burchell (Florence, AL) were beautiful flower girls and his sweet cousins, Sadie Kate Guinn and big brother, Luke Guinn (Montgomery, AL) worked together as train bearers. Dear family friends, Jace Hof and Austin Hof, (Tuscumbia, AL), served as ring bearer and sign bearer.

A memory table with pictures of family members and friends, who have passed from this life, was displayed in the reception area. Garrett's Grandmother's brooch was pinned onto my bouquet in her honor.

Without the advice, encouragement, and direction of Kristi Nix Sockwell, our wedding would not have been so perfect. Thanks to her and the other vendors for making our day a day we will always remember:

- Sherry Kirk, Oliver's Barn
- Amy's Cakes, Bride's cake and Groom's cake (cheesecake of course!)
- Jill Larkin, Jill's Sweet Memories, Catering
- Felicia Renfro, Muscle Shoals Florist
- Ishma Daniel, Cantrell Studios and Design, Photographer
- Al Hammond, Awaken Films, Videographer
- Shawn Nix, DJ
- Monica Aday and assistants, H & M Salon and Spa, Hair
- Juanita's Fashions, Tuxedos
- David's Bridal, Wedding Dress

Garrett and I chose a 5-day cruise to Mexico for our honeymoon. We are now at home in Florence, AL.

Photos by Cantrell Studios and Design







Williams, McLendon



Lexi Beth Williams and Jacob Nathan McLendon were married June 29, 2019 at 5:00 in the afternoon at Calvary Baptist Church, Russellville with Dr. Bill Meckes officiating. A reception was held at George's 217 in Sheffield following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Kevin and Gina Kiel of Russellville and the late Lance Williams. She is the granddaughter of Kenneth and Barbara Clement, Gerald and Betty Kiel, and Daniel and Anita Williams, all of Russellville.

The groom is the son of Jack and Sheary McLendon of Muscle Shoals. He is the grandson of the late Bill and Mary Calvery and the late Jack and Ruth McLendon, all of Muscle Shoals.

The bride chose a beautiful white gown with matching veil from Cherry Tree Lane in Florence. She wore earrings from Kendra Scott and shoes from Lulu's.

Maid of honor was Maggie Rae Williams, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Melissa McLendon Shores, Sarabeth McLendon Jumper, Grace McLendon Zills, sisters of the groom; Erin Masterson Singletary, Julie Masterson Russ, Lauren Taylor Mills, friends of the bride; Abby Jane Bradford, cousin of the bride; Samantha Claire Kiel, step-sister of the bride. Junior bridesmaid Addison Ruth Shores, niece of the groom. Flower girls were Rachel Shores, Claire Shores, and Olivia Zills, all nieces of the groom.

Best man was the groom's father, Jack McLendon. Groomsmen were Adam Zills and Tyler Jumper, brothers-in-law of the groom; Hunter Kiel and Joseph Kiel, step-brothers of the bride; Clayton Davis, Matt Belew, Evan Peters, Houston Looser, Charlie Smith, and Daniel Cottrell, all friends of the groom. Ring bearers Case Howard, cousin of the bride, and Nate Shores, nephew of the groom.

The bride and groom chose to have the ring bearers carry something meaningful down the aisle. Case Howard carried the Bible that belonged to the father of the bride, Lance Williams. It was important to Lexi and Jake to have something of his incorporated into their special day. Nate Shores carried the Bible that belongs to Jake's mom, Sheary. Her Bible was used at her wedding in 1978, and was used in all of Jake's sisters weddings. These special Bibles hold memories of faith and love that Lexi and Jake work to instill in their marriage every day.

Wedding director was Channing Wright. Floral designer was Carmelita Coan. Ceremony music was provided by Justin Coan, and DJ Jammin' Jeff entertained guests at the reception. The reception was catered by George's Steak Pit. The wedding cake was made by Samantha Montgomery and the groom's cake was made by Yummies Bakery. Hair stylist was Kenzie Pope and make-up artist was Corey Nichols. Photographer was Gena Plaxco Images and videographer was Byron Hellums. Other special helper was Rachel Seal.

The couple spent their honeymoon at the all-inclusive Excellence Resort in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. They are now residing in Madison.

Photos by Gena Plaxco Images



Hood, McGee



We had a cotton pickin' good time at our wedding! We were so blessed to have the perfect wedding on a dock on my parents' pond. We are a very outdoorsy couple and enjoy hunting and fishing together, we are each other's best friend and can't wait to see what the future holds for us! Our unity ceremony was something unique, we planted a tree together using soil from where we grew up and mixed it together and then planted it later at our new home.

A sunset wedding on the dock showcased this couple's love of the outdoors. Organic elements and the beautiful natural landscape of the bride's family's homeplace set the atmosphere for a cotton pickin' good time to be had by all. Guests enjoyed a full dinner menu of southern comfort foods under the evening stars. They danced the night away beneath a treetop canopy filled with twinkling lights. To send the couple off in style, fireworks lit the night sky, softly reflecting off the pond creating an everlasting memory for the McGees!

Allison Hood and Blake McGee were married September 28, 2019 at 5:00 in the afternoon at the home of the bride's parents in Moulton. An outdoor reception followed at the family home.

The bride is the daughter of Alton and Vickie Hood of Moulton. She is the granddaughter of Marvin and Betty Woodruff and J.W. and Hilda Hood, all of Moulton.

The groom is the son of Jennifer Sudduth of Russellville and the late Michael McGee. He is the grandson of Donald McGee, Wanda Skillern, and the late Lynwood and Faye Sudduth, all of Russellville.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a Stella York beaded gown in ivory from The Something Blue Shoppe in Hartselle, along with a matching cathedral length veil and corral boots.

Matron of honor was Whitney Jones, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Brooke McGee, sister of the groom; Ashton Malcom and Allison Hodges, friends of the bride. Flower girl was Katie Williams, cousin of the bride.

Best man was the groom's grandfather, Donald McGee. Groomsmen were Cody Braly, Brandon Mitchell, and Alex Hamilton, all friends of the groom. Ring bearer was Walker Duran, cousin of the bride, and sign carrier was Case Fugate, cousin of the groom.

Wedding director was Kristi Duran, aunt of the bride, of D & D Weddings. Floral designer was Lula Belle's. Music for the ceremony and the reception was provided by JLS Entertainment. Caterer was Kenny Hood, uncle of the bride. The wedding cake was made by Batter Up Cakes. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Amber McCaig of Salon A&M. Photographer was Sommer Hamilton of Saving Grace Photography and videographer was Redemption Road.

For their honeymoon, the couple spent a week in a mountain cabin in Gatlinburg, Tenn. They are now residing in Russellville.

Photos by Saving Grace Photography



Johnson, Jordan



Katie Grace Johnson and Krystian Tye Jordan were married August 3, 2019 at 6:00 in the evening at Harvest Hollow Venue and Farm in Toney, Ala. Jonathan Johnson, father of the bride, and Erik Hunt, previous youth pastor, officiated the ceremony. The reception followed at Harvest Hollow.

The bride is the daughter of Jonathan and Renee Johnson of Lexington. She is the granddaughter of Janice Lott, the late Joe Johnson, the late Charles Perry, and the late Dorothy Perry, all of Decatur.

The groom is the son of Ken and Bonnie Grissom of Rogersville and the late Wayne Jordan. He is the grandson of Earl Smith, the late Ruth Smith, and the late Bobbie Jean Smith, all of Buckeye, Ariz.

The bride was escorted by her father. She chose a gown designed by Christos, purchased from LVD Bridal in Nashville, Tenn.

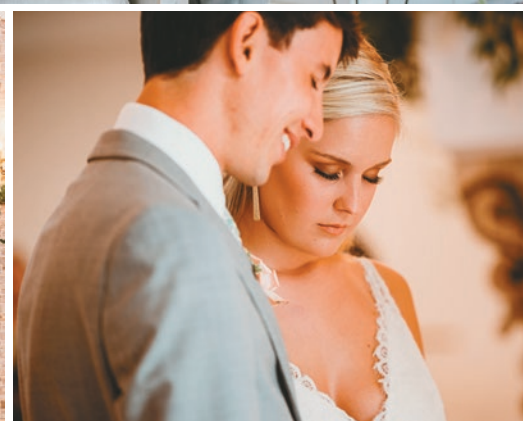
Matron of honor was Holly Campbell of Killen, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Ana Fuller, Breanna Freeze, and Cassidy Camp, all friends of the bride from Killen. Junior bridesmaid was Camilla Bacon of Rogersville, family friend of the bride. Flower girls were Harper Bowlin of Buckeye, Ariz., niece of the groom, and Ella Kate Dumas of Decatur, cousin of the bride.

Best man was Austin Campbell, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Blake Bowlin of Buckeye, Ariz., brother-in-law of the groom; Ben Johnson of Lexington, brother of the bride; and Jamie Dorroh of Muscle Shoals, friend of the groom. Junior groomsman was Cash Grissom of Rogersville, brother of the groom. Ring bearers were John Thomas Bacon of Rogersville, family friend of the bride, and Noah Dumas of Decatur, cousin of the bride.

Wedding director was Ashley Ashwander from The Paper Chase. Floral designer was Bella Petalli. Music for the ceremony and the reception was provided by 256 Pro Entertainment. Caterer was Taco Mama and the wedding cake was made by Cakes by Nissi. The groom's table featured floats and ice cream Handel's. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Ana Fuller. Photographer was Heather Sherrill of Create Portraiture and videographer was Awaken Films.

The couple spent their honeymoon at Panama City Beach, Fla., and are now residing in Killen.

Photos by Create Portraiture





Kaitlyn Brooke Garrett and Russell Cole Phillips were married June 29, 2019 at 5:30 in the afternoon at Creekside at Colliers End in Mooresville, Ala. with Ron Jones of Killen officiating. The reception followed at Creekside.

The bride is the daughter of Christopher and Heather Garrett of Rogersville. She is the granddaughter of Larry and Dewanna Dabbs of Rogersville.

The groom is the son of Tommy and Tonya Phillips of Killen. He is the grandson of Gary and Juanita Risner of Florence, and Bill and Oma Phillips of Killen.

The bride was escorted by her father. She chose her dress, veil, hair-piece, and earrings from The Something Blue Shoppe in Hartselle. Her great-grandmother's brooch pin was added to her bouquet as her "something old".

Maid of honor was Lauren Comer, best friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Summer Reynolds, Ashley Comer, Bailey Gordon, Emily Elliot, Madison McLeod, and Rebekah Whitt, all friends of the bride. Flower girl was Jaylee Atkinson, family friend.

Best man was the groom's brother, Riley Phillips. Groomsmen were Tanner Borden, cousin of the groom; Gentry Ford, Holden Corum, Brady Bedingfield, Jack Singletary, friends of the groom; and Connor Garrett, brother of the bride. Junior groomsman was Landon Erwin, cousin of the bride. Ring bearer was River Atkinson, family friend.

Wedding director was Kelly Rhodes. Floral designer was Nip & Tuck of Athens. Music for the ceremony and the reception was provided by Sonya and Lavele Cooper of Leighton. Caterer was Such-n-Such of Decatur, and the wedding cake and the groom's cake were made by Cindy's Sweet Treats, St. Joseph, Tenn. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Monica Aday. Photographer and videographer was Blush Imagery.

After a honeymoon at the all inclusive Sandals Resort in Saint Lucia, the couple is now residing in Auburn.

Photos by Blush Imagery



Coffer, Richardson

Brittany Ann Coffer and Wesley Brett Richardson were married November 9, 2019 at 4:30 in the afternoon at Tune Farm in Falkville with Wesley Richardson officiating. The reception was held at Tune Farm following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Roger Coffer of Plantation, Fla. and Patricia Maloney of Tooele, Utah. She is the granddaughter of Galdino and Virginia Garcia and Andy and Brenda Liebmann, all of Salt Lake City, Utah.

The groom is the son of Wesley Richardson and Kim Richardson of Florence. He is the grandson of Virginia Proctor of Florence, Jerry Richardson of Lexington, and the late Owen Richardson.

The bride chose a fit and flare gown designed by Allure.

Maid of honor was Tiah Hash and matron of honor was Miranda Park, both friends of the bride. Flower girls were Brielle, Evelyn, and Aralyn Richardson, daughters of the groom.

Best man was Mario Martinez, best friend of the groom. Groomsman was Johnathan Rainey. Ring bearer was Gabriel Perez, nephew of the bride.

Floral designer was In Bloom, Huntsville. Ceremony music was Take My Breath Away, Daniel Robinson, and reception entertainment was Micah York and DJ Nate. The reception was catered by Rawhide BBQ and the wedding cake was made by Batter Up Cake Bakery in Huntsville. Hair stylist was Susan Ellis and make-up artist was Aaron Ellis, both of Southern Roots Hair Co. in Muscle Shoals. Photographer was Heather Sherrill of Create Portraiture.

For their honeymoon the couple took a seven day western Caribbean cruise. They are now residing in Madison.

Photos by Create Portraiture





Hanback, Bates



Kayla Hanback and Conner Bates were married October 12, 2019 at 5:00 in the afternoon in a beautiful outdoor ceremony at Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail of the Shoals with Thomas Cochran officiating. The reception followed at the RTJ Clubhouse.

The bride is the daughter of Shane and Amy Hanback of Florence. She is the granddaughter of Karen Cooper and the late Michael Cooper of Florence and the late Jimmy and Olene Hanback of Muscle Shoals.

The groom is the son of Donny and Kathy Bates of Murfreesboro, Tenn. He is the grandson of Edna Overall and the late Bill Overall of Tullahoma, Tenn., and the late Jesse and Velvie Bates of Summertown, Tenn.

The bride was escorted by her father. She chose an elegant Morilee Peta wedding gown with the dreamiest of lace details and the perfect peekaboo back found at Mary's Bridal in Moulton.

Maid of honor was Amy Blackstock, best friend of the bride, and matron of honor was Morgan Rutherford, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Makenzie Moore, Kenzie Pope, Lora Roden, Katie Kirk, Keri Echols, and Torie Minor, all friends of the bride. Flower girl was Brooklyn Bray, family friend.

Best man was the groom's father, Donny Bates. Groomsmen were Sawyer Bates, brother of the groom; Jake Rutherford, brother-in-law of the bride; Cori Crawford, Chris Crawford, Trey Harrell, and Jordan Roden, all friends of the groom. Ring bearer was Syllas Parker, friend of the bride.

Wedding director was Vera Rutherford and floral designer was Cindy Harrison. Music for the ceremony and the reception was provided by DJ Calvin Williams. The reception was catered by RTJ and Wendy Weeks made the wedding cake and groom's cake. The bride's hair and make-up was done by Kenzie Pope and bridal party's hair and make-up was done by Mandi Beavers of Revelationz. Photographer was Gena Plaxco Images and videographer was Nicholson Creative.

After a honeymoon at Secrets St. James all inclusive resort in Montego Bay, Jamaica, the couple is now residing in Killen.

Photos by Gena Plaxco Images



Perry, Johnson

Alexa Perry and Joey Johnson were married June 1, 2019 at 6:00 in the evening at St. Florian Fiber Farm in St. Florian with Mark Slagle officiating. The reception followed at St. Florian Fiber Farm.

The bride is the daughter of Robert and Melissa Perry of Killen. She is the granddaughter of the late Elgar and Mable Parker and the late Elvis and Ramona Howard, all of Killen.

The groom is the son of Sam Johnson of Killen and Kathleen Johnson of Nashville, Tenn. He is the grandson of the late Junior and Mary Ann Johnson of Killen and Maria Holley and the late Louis Holley of New Orleans, La.

The bride chose a white Stella York ball gown from Promenade in Tusculumbia, and carried a bouquet of pink roses.

Maid of honor was Rheagan Burgess, cousin of the bride. Bridesmaids were Lydia Slagle, Chelsea Henry, cousins of the bride; Andrea Myrick, Jodi Kimbrough, friends of the bride; and Janelle Perry, sister-in-law of the bride. Flower girl was Cora Holt, cousin of the bride.

Best man was Eli Howard, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Sam Johnson, father of the groom; Jacob Modas, Jake Obrien, Hakeem Long, Chris Duhon, all friends of the groom; and Garrett Perry, brother of the bride. Ring bearers were Ezra Johnson, son of the bride and groom, and Grayson Perry, nephew of the bride.

Wedding director and floral designer was Justin Myrick of Jut's Weddings & Special Events. Jill's Sweet Memories catered the reception and made the wedding cake. She also made pies for the groom's table. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Molly Flippo of Parlor 217 in Forence. Photographer was Ashley Eaton of Ashley Ann Photography.

A wedding shower was given by the family of the bride at North Carolina Church of Christ. A lingerie shower was hosted by Janelle Perry, Rheagan Burgess, and Chelsea Henry. A bachelorette weekend was spent at Smith Lake in Cullman, hosted by Lydia Slagle.

After a Smoky Mountains honeymoon in Gatlinburg, Tenn., the couple is now residing in Killen.

Photos by Ashley Ann Photography





Carlee Elizabeth Benson and Jordan Andrew Davis were married October 19, 2019 at 5:00 in the afternoon at The Logan Room in Sheffield with Jerry Hester officiating. The reception was held at The Logan Room following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Steven and Jennifer Benson of Tuscumbia. She is the granddaughter of Steve and Fainy Benson, Jerry and Joan Pugh, and Sandra Harbin and the late Tommy Harbin.

The groom is the son of Darcy Renshaw of Trinity and Jarrod and Sherrie Davis of Kernersville, N.C. He is the grandson of Phillip and Sandy Parker, Timmie Davis, and Glenda Lewis.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore an Oleg Cassini cap sleeve lace ball gown with beading, along with a matching veil.

Maid of honor was Amie Vinson, best friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Alyssa Andrews, friend of the bride; Skylar Renshaw and Aubrey Renshaw, sisters-in-law of the bride. Flower girl was Caroline Pearce, cousin of the bride.

Best man was Tyler Haley, best friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Brady Renshaw, brother of the groom; Carson Benson and Caden Benson, brothers of the bride. Ring bearer was Benton Pearce, cousin of the bride.

Wedding director was Amanda Sizemore. Floral designer was Lola's Gifts & Flowers. Caterer was The Red Clay Table and the wedding cake and groom's cake were made by Aunt Bea's Bakery. Setting up the reception was Miranda Ingram. Hair stylist was Kimberly Johnson and make-up artist was Courtney Holt. Photographer was Rachel Griffin and Anna Claire Taylor of Cedar Lane Photography Co., and videographer was Morgan White of Memories by Morgan.

The couple is now residing in Tuscumbia.

Photos by Cedar Lane Photography Co.



Ashlon Nicole Harkins and Todd Christopher Ouellette, Jr. were married December 31, 2019 at 4:00 in the afternoon at Hurricane Creek Lodge in Vina with Ted Vafeas officiating. The reception was held at George's 217 in downtown Sheffield following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Bart Harkins and Lisa Seal Harkins of Muscle Shoals. She is the granddaughter of Billy and Fredia Seal of Muscle Shoals, the late James (Jim) and Evelyn Harkins of Tuscumbia.

The groom is the son of Todd Ouellette, Sr. and Leslie Morgan Ouellette of Muscle Shoals. He is the grandson of Sara and Windle Morgan of Hueytown, Jackie and Bob Ouellette of Trussville, and Norma and Raymond Wilkerson of Sheffield.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a gown from Ivory & White Bridal Boutique in Birmingham, Shutz heels from Nordstrom, and a jumpsuit from Venus Swimwear.

Maid of honor was Mackenzie Seal, cousin of the bride. Honorary matron of honor was Taylor Barton Phillips, best friend of the bride. Best man was Daniel Cottrell, best friend of the groom.

Floral designer was Missy Brandon at Wild Flower, Belmont, Miss. Katlyn Barnes provided music for the ceremony, and Gus Spears with Universal Event & Production Services entertained guests at the reception. Caterer was George's 217 and Publix made the wedding cake and groom's cake. Hair stylist was Whitney Weeks Butler of Parlor 217. Photographer was Heather Sherrill of Create Portraiture.

The couple is currently residing in Prattville, and are planning a honeymoon trip to Europe this summer.

I would like to thank Hurricane Creek Lodge and the manager, Dee Murphy and his team. They were excellent to work with and very detail oriented on my vision. I highly recommend them as a venue site, especially in the summer when the grass leading out to the dock is plush and green! It is such a beautiful and peaceful place to get married.

Thank you to George's 217 for everything from the food to the decorations, inside and out! Around Christmas time they keep the place decorated with beautiful Christmas trees, lights and garland everywhere. The manager, Frank, was such a pleasure to work with! The staff was so attentive to me and constantly made sure they we were doing ok and if we needed anything, awesome service!

Lastly, Thank you to my mom, Lisa Harkins, without her the wedding might have never been pulled off! She handled everything, and I mean everything for me since we currently live 3 hours away from Muscle Shoals now. A wedding is special for Mommas and my wedding was even more special because of how much she has done for us! Not only on this day but just raising me in general, she did an excellent job with me. I can't thank you enough! Love you, mom!

Photos by Create Portraiture



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Rayburn, Mitchell

Natalie Rayburn and Dallas Mitchell were married May 18, 2019 at 5:00 in the afternoon at Woodmont Baptist Church with Stan Pruitt officiating. The reception was held at George's 217 following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Chuck and Lane Rayburn and Eddie and Melissa Young, all of Florence. She is the granddaughter of Myrna and Larry Cain, the late Eddie Dewberry, and Charles and Malinda Rayburn.

The groom is the son of Joey and Valerie Mitchell. He is the grandson of JoAnn Mitchell and the late Ronald Mitchell, and Jr. and Lois Polson.

Maid of honor was Meredith Rayburn, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Allison Zumstein, Tori Smith, Joy McLaughlin, Anna Beth Haggard, Morgan Guyton, Cassidy Beck, all friends of the bride, and Sarah Beth Littrell, cousin of the bride. Flower girls were Mary Pillow Mitchener, friend of the bride, and Haiven Moody, niece of the bride.

Best man was Cody Butler, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Josh Moody, Jeremy Moody, brothers of the groom, Will Rayburn, brother of the bride; Bryant Pruitt, Aaron McCluskey, Caleb Waddell, and John Charles Crow, all friends of the groom. Ring bearers were Jon Nicholas and Henry Kelso, cousins of the groom.

Wedding director was Jenna Brewer. Floral designer was Cindy Harrison. The reception was catered by Jill's Sweet Memories and the wedding cake was made by All About Cake. The groom's cake was made by the groom's mother and grandmother. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Whitney Butler of Parlor 217. Photographer and videographer was Blush Imagery. Other special helpers were Tamela Traglia, Sandy Holcombe, and Deb Anderson.

After a honeymoon in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, the couple is now residing in Killen.

Photos by Blush Imagery



Puckett, Vanhorn

Ginger Michelle Puckett and Mark Edsel Vanhorn were married April 13, 2019 at Ava's Place with Matthew Vanhorn officiating. The reception followed at Ava's Place.

The bride is the daughter of Danny and Kim Puckett of Poplar Bluff, Mo. and Joanie and William Burns of Tuscumbia. She is the granddaughter of Libby Puckett and the late Billy Puckett, the late James Medford, and Jessie Peterson, all of Cherokee.

The groom is the son of Kenneth and Robin Vanhorn of Tuscumbia. He is the grandson of Joe and Joan Bogle of Muscle Shoals, and the late Edsel and Wilda Vanhorn of Tuscumbia.

The bride chose a white, off the shoulder gown from Juanita's Fashions.

Matron of honor was Betsy Puckett, sister-in-law of the bride. Bridesmaids were Amy Brackett, friend of the bride; Heather Vanhorn, sister-in-law of the groom; and Michelle Vanhorn, sister of the groom. Junior bridesmaid was Rubye Puckett, niece of the bride. Flower girl was Embree Wright, daughter.

Best man was the groom's father, Kenneth Vanhorn. Groomsmen were Bradley Puckett, brother of the bride; Joe Wells and Wes Ayers, friends of the groom. Ring bearer was Lincoln Puckett, nephew of the bride.

Wedding director was Abby Simpson and floral designer was Kaleidoscope Florist. Ceremony music was provided by Nate Fulmer. Caterer and cake maker was Jill's Sweet Memories. Hair stylist was Taylor McGee of Textur Salon and make-up artist was Laren Lindholm of Makeup by Laren. Photographer was Megan Dawson of Dawson's Photography.

The couple honeymooned in their favorite place, Nashville, Tenn., and are now residing in Florence.

Photos by Dawson's Photography





Collum, Alfaro

Anna Grace Collum and David Alfaro were married May 25, 2019 in a 6:30 evening ceremony held at Oliver's Barn with Greg Basher of Adamsville, Tenn. officiating. The reception followed at Oliver's Barn.

The bride is the daughter of Lance Collum and Kelly Jo Collum of Cherokee. She is the granddaughter of Larry and Lela Collum, and Gracie Thompson and the late Oscar Thompson.

The groom is the son of the late Martha Rose Alfaro.

Maid of honor was Lindsey Wallace, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Libby Collum, sister of the bride; Makayla Dorroh and Maleah Dorroh, cousins of the bride; Natalie Brasher and Caitlyn Seal, friends of the bride. Flower girl was Lexa Aycock, friend of the bride.

Best man was Reed McKee, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Ruben Delgado and Brandon Delgado, brothers of the groom; Dylan Harris and Russ Thomas, friends of the groom. Ring bearer was Kylon Hester, nephew of the groom.

Wedding director was Shannon Agee. Floral design was by Muscle Shoals Florist, Jeff Hodge was the music director. Caterer was Jill's Sweet Memories, who also made the groom's cake. The wedding cake was made by Nissi Clingan. Hair stylist was Layla Howard and make-up artist was Tabitha Hanson. Photographer was Tallie Johnson and videographer was Hunter Nicholson of Nicholson Creative.

After a week-long honeymoon in Puerto Rico, the couple is residing in Florence.

Photos by Tallie Johnson



Nix, Brooks

Hannah Elizabeth Nix and Justin Clint Brooks were married June 8, 2019 at 5:00 in the afternoon at Montgomery Place in Sheffield with Tony Latham officiating. The reception was held at Montgomery Place also, following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Byron and Amanda Baker of Athens, and the granddaughter of Rhonda McGee of Killen. The groom is the son of JC and Venisa Brooks of Tuscumbia.

Maids of honor were Paige Hipps, sister of the bride, and Anna Grace England, cousin of the bride. Bridesmaids were Krista Burden, niece of the groom, and Sarah Shedd, cousin of the bride.

Best man was the groom's father, JC Brooks. Groomsmen were Kris Burden and Ty Brooks, nephews of the groom, and Cole England, cousin of the bride. Ring bearer was Parker Brooks, son of the bride and groom.

Wedding director was Kelli Brown of Something to Celebrate by Kelli. Floral designer was Kaleidoscope Florist. Music for the ceremony and the reception was provided by Shoals Event Specialists. Jill's Sweet Memories catered the reception and made the wedding and groom's cakes. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Whitney Butler. Photographer was Tonya Gray of Bella Bliss Photography. Other special helper was Kim Singletary.

The couple spent their honeymoon at The DeSoto in Savannah, Ga. They are now residing in Killen.

Photos by Bella Bliss Photography



Tompkins, Grigsby



Caitlyn Tompkins and Tyler Grigsby were married September 28, 2019 at 6:00 in the evening at Lone Cedar Church of Christ with Tim Grigsby officiating. The reception followed at the church.

The bride is the daughter of Mark and Tamera Tompkins of Russellville. She is the granddaughter of Ann Tompkins and the late R.H. Tompkins of Belgreen, and Jimmy Ray and the late Rose Ray of Killen.

The groom is the son of Tim and Sharmon Grigsby of Killen. He is the grandson of Ray and Amanda Saint, the late Henry Grigsby, and the late Lenita Evans.

Maids of honor were Brooke Swinney, best friend of the bride, and Anna Tompkins, sister of the bride. Matron of honor was Karli Thorne, sister-in-law of the bride. Bridesmaids were Madison Thompson, Jill Masterson, Hannah Prince, Maggie Williams, and Kennedy Palmer. Flower girls were Adalynn Graham, Nora Kate Judson, and Kara Hines.

Best man Mick Rogers, best friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Justin Thorne, Garret Grigsby, Hunter Grigsby, Colby Tompkins, Alex Harper, Jack Singletary, Michael Petrus, and Joseph Holt. Ring bearer was Walker Thorne, nephew.

Wedding director and floral designer was Justin Myrick. Ceremony music was provided by Jamie Burks. Caterer was Tabby and Mark Collier. The wedding cake and groom's cake were made by Amy's Cakes & Corner Market. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Faith Ezell. Photographer was Keelan Walker Photography and videographer was Shannea Flanagan of Right Brain Photography.

The couple spent their honeymoon at Secrets Aura in Cozumel, Mexico. They are now residing in Killen.

Photos by Keelan Walker Photography





Boykin, Hines

Tiffany Boykin and Corey Hines were married October 19, 2019 at 4:30 in the afternoon at Oliver's Barn in Killen with Phil Springer officiating.

The bride is the daughter of James and Ginger Boykin of Rogersville. She is the granddaughter of Jeanette Springer and the late J.A. Springer, the late Lola Smith, and the late James Boykin.

The groom is the son of Aaron and Sherry Hines of Florence. He is the grandson of Betty Beasley and the late Ray Beasley, and Bobby and Elizabeth Hines.

The bride's dress, veil, and shoes were purchased from Juanita's Fashions. The bridal attendants' attire was purchased from David's Bridal. The groom and groomsmen's attire was from Party Pros.

Maid of honor was Meghan Childers, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Brooke McCollum and Rhonda Howell, friends of the bride; Randi Glass and Holli Grace Wood, cousins of the bride. Junior bridesmaid was Olivia Stegall, cousin of the bride.

Best man was the groom's father, Aaron Hines. Groomsmen were Trey May, Colton Graham, Elliott Lawrence, and Blake Burden, all friends of the groom.

Wedding director was Grace Pate and floral designer was Pam Word. Ceremony music and reception entertainment was provided by DJ Jammin' Jeff. The reception, also at Oliver's Barn, was catered by Sherry Peters and Stacy Chorney. The wedding cake was made by Stacey Robison and the groom's cake was made by Denise Davis. Hair stylist was Whitney Butler of Parlor 217, and make-up artist was Ashley Gervais. Photographer was Keelan Walker Photography and videographer was Poppy Leaf Weddings.

For their honeymoon, the couple had a weeklong stay in a private cabin in Gatlinburg, Tenn. They are now residing in Killen.

Photos by Keelan Walker Photography





Morgan, Bailey

Ashley Morgan and Bradley Bailey were married August 17, 2019 at 4:00 in the afternoon at First United Methodist Haleyville with Pastor Kevin Johnson officiating. The reception was held at The Barn at Coleman Farms following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Phelesia Clemmons of Florence and Craig and Crystal Morgan of Bay St. Louis, Miss. She is the granddaughter of Wyman and Judy Morgan, the late Myra Hirst, and the late James Clemmons.

The groom is the son of Dewayne and Tammy Bailey of Haleyville. He is the grandson of Barbara Shirley and Ruth Bailey.

The bride chose a sleeveless lace gown from Diane's Formal Affair. Her "something old" was a sixpence in her shoe; her "something new" was diamond earrings from the groom; her "something borrowed" was her grandmother Judy's tennis bracelet; and her "something blue" was a blue guardian angel pendant worn on her bridal bouquet in honor of her late grandmother Myra.

Maid of honor was Courtney Wray, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Audrey Morgan and Hannah Hubbell, sisters of the bride; Brooke Goar, sister-in-law of the bride; Hannah Gilbertson, Sarah Elizabeth Sherrod, and Mary Claire Camp, friends of the bride. Flower girl was Hallie Hancock.

Best man was the groom's father, Dewayne Bailey. Groomsmen were Trent Williams and Trey Williams, cousins of the groom; Clay Goar, brother-in-law of the groom; Will Bishop, Ben Richards, and Payton Thomas, all friends of the groom. Ring bearer was Owen Goar, nephew of the groom.

Wedding director was Rita Hill. Floral designer was Traditions Florist. Ceremony music was provided by Teri Finley and Ann Mott. The Reid Haughton Band entertained guests at the reception. Caterer was Pilgrims Place and Amy's Cakes made the wedding cake and groom's cake. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Shugar Styles by Hannah Phillips. Photographer was Keelan Walker Photography and videographer was Nicholson Creative.

The couple spent their honeymoon at The Serenity Cabin, and are now residing in Louisville, Ky.

Photos by Keelan Walker Photography

Moody, Badeaux



Audry Anne Moody and Nicholas Paul Badeaux were married August 3, 2019 at 4:00 in the afternoon at Ravenswood Mansion in Brentwood, Tenn. with John Ragsdale officiating. The reception followed at Ravenswood.

The bride is the daughter of Allen and Agnes Moody of Florence. The groom is the son of Walter and Lana Badeaux of Lafayette, La.

The bride wore a Sarah Seven dress from LVD in East Nashville. For the ceremony, she added a stunning beaded cape from BHLDN. It gave a vintage flare to a modern dress and added a second look for the reception.

Maid of honor was Alana Moody, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Amanda Chumley, Lilianna Badeaux, Leah Black, Elizabeth Gelder, and Nicole Mead. Flower girl was Alina Badeaux, niece of the groom.

Best man was Corey McZeal, best friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Kolby Badeaux, Jacee Badeaux, Addam Moody, Blake Johnson, and Alex Smith. Ring bearer was Obie Moody, the bride's dog.

The bride did the wedding planning, but did have a "week of" coordinator, Sarah Danielle. The bridal party designed all the flowers. They went to the Nashville Flower Market and created all the wedding florals, bouquets, and boutonnieres. Caterer for the reception was Mike Maxwell Company, and Sugarbakers in Florence made the wedding cake. The bride's hair was done by Alana Moody and bridal party's hair was done by Melissa McNabb. Make-up artist was Marz Collins, Nashville, Tenn. Photographer was Sara-Lane and Stevie Boudreaux.

The couple spent their honeymoon at Unico in Riviera Maya, Mexico. They are now residing in Nashville, Tenn.

Photos by Sara-Lane and Stevie Boudreaux





Jordan, Kelley

Haley McKenzie Jordan and James Hunter Kelley were married May 4, 2019 at 5:30 in the afternoon at Danclay Farms with Wayne Gean officiating. The reception was held at Danclay Farms following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Wayne and Suzan Jordan of Florence. The groom is the son of Wayne and Tammy Graham of Florence.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a Stella York gown with matching veil from The Something Blue Shoppe.

Maid of honor was Megan Nelson, friend of the bride, and matron of honor was Loren Jordan, sister-in-law of the bride. Bridesmaids were Savana Burbank, Brooke Olive, Olivia Bruey, Carley Franks, and Shea Eubanks. Flower girls were Emma Graham and Ella Pigg, nieces.

Best man was Logan Lamar, cousin of the groom. Groomsmen were Justin Scott, Alex Rickard, Cody Darby, Ben Flippo, Dakodah Rice, and Daniel Hayes. Ring bearer was Tritt Kelley, dog of the bride and groom, who was led down the aisle by usher Josh Williams. Also serving as usher was Jesson Jordan, brother of the bride.

Wedding director and floral designer was Justin Myrick. Providing music for the ceremony and entertainment at the reception was Bradley Wallace and The Crooked Oaks Band. Caterer was Jill's Sweet Memories, who also made the wedding cake. The groom's table featured homemade pies made by friends and family. Hair stylist was Whitney Weeks. Photographer was Montana Hester with Hester's Photography.

After a honeymoon in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, the couple is now residing in Florence.

Photos by Hester's Photography



Shelton, Mitchell

Somer Shelton and Seth Mitchell were married August 31, 2019 at 6:30 in the evening in a beautiful outdoor ceremony at Sacred Stone in Fayetteville, Tenn. Matt Buerhaus officiated and the reception followed at Sacred Stone.

The bride is the daughter of Matt and Tiffany McGraw of Madison and the late Christy Shelton. She is the granddaughter of Vicki Shelton and the late Jim Shelton, Joe and Rose Kirkpatrick, and Deborah Rolin.

The groom is the son of Scott and Anita Mitchell of Camden, Tenn. He is the grandson of Becky Sizemore and the late Mike Sizemore and W.A. and Dell Mitchell.

The bride chose an Essence of Australia gown, along with a BelAre Veil and jewelry custom from The Something Blue Shoppe.

Maid of honor was India Springer, friend of the bride, and matron of honor was Miranda Smith, cousin of the bride. Bridesmaids were Darby Bethea, Ashley Gervais, Allison Nolen, friends of the bride; Chelsy Williams, cousin of the bride; and Lori Ann Billingsley, sister-in-law of the bride. Flower girls were Mila McGraw and Elin McGraw, sisters of the bride; Caroline Shelton, daughter of the bride; and Scout Boone, cousin of the bride.

Best man was the groom's father, Scott Mitchell. Groomsmen were Skyler Bain, Zack Angelly, Justin Dillon, Kevin Vogt, and TJ Llindsey, all friends of the groom. Ring bearers were Case Mitchell, son of the groom; Jack Boone and Case Boone, cousins of the bride.

Floral designer was Lisa Atkins with Sacred Stone. Ceremony music and reception entertainment was provided by Lavale Cooper. Caterer was Rick's BBQ and the wedding cake and groom's cake were made by Jennifer Blankenship. Hair stylist and make-up artist was Hali Gurley. Photographer was April Warhurst and videographer was Petite Four Films.

After a honeymoon at the Hilton Sandestin in Destin, Fla., the couple is now residing in Florence.

Photos by April Warhurst





Brooks, Humphrey

Alexis Brooks and Drew Humphrey were married August 17, 2019 in a 3:30 afternoon ceremony held at The Owl's Landing in Killen with James Bogue officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Bill and April Moslen of Athens.

The groom is the son of Mark and Julie Humphrey of Florence. He is the grandson of Jean Humphrey and the late Howard Humphrey, and Daymon and Connie Gardner.

Matrons of honor were Angela Rogers, sister of the bride, and Danielle Wischmann, best friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Jessica Trousdale, Jennifer Morgan, Kadee Moslen, Athena Jenkins, and Kristin France. Flower girl was Brooklyn Deaver, niece of the bride.

Best man was the groom's father, Mark Humphrey. Groomsmen were Alex King, JT Trousdale, Qualon Millender, Alex Rickard, Justin Jeffreys, Brock Peters, Jeremy Gardner, and Cameron Deaver. Ring bearers were Gavin Rogers and Declan Rogers, nephews of the bride.

Floral designer was Kaleidoscope Florist & Designs. Shoals Entertainment Specialists provided the music for the ceremony and the reception. The reception, also held at The Owl's Landing, was catered by a family friend, and the wedding cake and groom's cake were made by Lana Copeland of All About Cakes. Photographer was Jeff White.

The couple honeymooned at Marcos Island, Fla. They are now residing in Florence.

Photos by Jeff White





Bevis, Richardson

Savannah Bevis and Seth Richardson were married May 4, 2019 at 6:00 in the evening at First Baptist Church of Sheffield with Matt Buerhaus officiating. The reception was held at George's 217 following the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Jeffrey and Michelle Bevis of Florence. She is the granddaughter of Steven and Susan Bevis and Doug and Gail Hendon, and the great-granddaughter of Bonetha Cook, Mallie Campbell, and Raymond Berkey, all of Florence.

The groom is the son of Scott and Kim Richardson of Florence. He is the grandson of Leon and Dee Wesson and the late Bily and Dollie Richardson, all of Florence.

Maids of honor were Shelby Bevis and Sidney Bevis, sisters of the bride. Bridesmaids were Madeline Mallette, cousin of the bride; Kady Richardson, sister of the groom; and Hannah Phillips, friend of the bride. Flower girls were Vera Richardson, niece of the groom, and Claire Richardson, cousin of the groom.

Best man was the groom's father, Scott Richardson. Groomsmen were Ryan Richardson, brother of the groom; Tyler Dolan, Payton Watkins, and Sawyer Richardson, friends of the groom. Ring bearers were Gavin Hendon and Oliver Hendon, cousins of the bride.

Wedding director was Terri Brown and floral designer was Cindy Harrison. Ceremony music was provided by Steve Cothran and Suzanne Hargett Thompson. Caterer was Jill's Sweet Memories. The wedding cake was made by Heather Poole of Heather's Cake Creations and the groom's cake was made by Sugarbaker's. Hair stylist was Mellany Lancaster and make-up artist was Molly McCanless. Photographer was Rebekah Handley of Rebekah Photography and videographer was Awaken Films.

For their honeymoon the couple took a Royal Caribbean cruise to the Bahamas, followed by a few days at Universal Studios in Orlando, Fla. They are now residing in Florence.

Photos by Rebekah Photography





Dunlap, Reynolds

As the 70-plus guests walked up the flight of stairs to celebrate at Amber Dunlap and Reed Reynold's engagement party at the Bluff Street Home in Florence, they were not greeted by the happy couple as expected. Instead, they were handed a small card that informed them that they were indeed not at an engagement party.

"Welcome to our wedding! Surprise! We invite you to make your way to the rooftop at 6:30 for a short ceremony to witness as we become husband and wife tonight. In the meantime, grab a drink and mix and mingle. We can't wait to see each of you very soon and celebrate the night away with you!"

There was a variety of reactions: squeals from excited friends, mouths wide open, looks of confusion and shock, and cheers of joy. The couple were hidden away upstairs and waited anxiously for the guests to make their way to the rooftop.

At 6:30 Reed and the officiant, Steve Sutton, made their way to the rooftop followed shortly by Amber.

"It was exhilarating," the bride said. "The reactions of our friends when I walked out will forever play in my mind. I was so caught up in the moment that I couldn't focus on repeating after the officiant."

After missing what he had said and failing to repeat it, Amber recovered with "I don't know but I vow whatever you said. I'll do it all."

Shortly after, they were pronounced husband and wife and proceeded to celebrate the night away with their family and friends. Both agreed that it was the most perfect night and have no regrets about skipping the traditional wedding. They believe their relationship and love is unique and they wanted a ceremony that encompassed their fun personalities.

Amber is the daughter of John and Rita Dunlap of Moulton and Reed is the son of Richard Reynolds of Huntsville and Freddie and Renee Wright of Athens.



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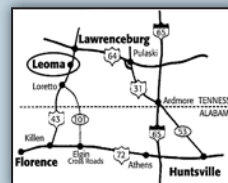
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