

The Ceremony of Lyn & Bill

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Good Afternoon everyone, my name is Adrian Downey, I am the celebrant for Lyn and Bill's renewal of vows ceremony. I would like to welcome you all here on this special day.

It is one of life's richest surprises when the accidental meeting of two life paths leads them to a common path as husband and wife. It is one of life's finest experiences when a casual relationship grows into a permanent bond of love. Such a meeting, such a growth, brings us together today.

Some information on the original wedding ceremony and / or about how you met may be added

There is no greater gift than the love that makes two people one and there is no greater indication of that love than the public commitment which unites two people as husband and wife. The union speaks of the great confidence by which people mutually rely upon, and believe in one another.

Today we are here to celebrate and recognise the marriage of Lyn and Bill. Lyn and Bill, you are mature people who have established individual patterns of living. Yet you have found not only a need for companionship, but also the satisfaction of that need in each others company. It is the love, based upon a reasonable understanding that will aid you in creating out of your two separate lives a marriage and a happiness you will share together.

Marriage, according to law in Australia, is the union of a man and a woman to the exclusion of all others, voluntarily entered into for life.

I would now like to invite TBC to come forward to share a reading with us.

The Magic of Love by Helen Steiner Rice

Love is like magic, and it always will be,
For love still remains life's sweet mystery.
Love works in ways that are wondrous and strange,
And there's nothing in life that love cannot change!
Love can transform the most commonplace
Into beauty and splendor and sweetness and grace.
Love is unselfish, understanding and kind,
For it sees with its heart, and not with its mind.
Love is the answer that everyone seeks;
Love is the language that every heart speaks.
Love can't be bought, it is priceless and free.
Love, like pure magic, is life's sweet mystery!!

The Asking/Reaffirmation (holding hands)

Adrian to Bill

Bill today in front of your family and friends do you solemnly renew your promise to love and cherish Lyn, to comfort and to care for her, to honour and protect her throughout your lives together?

Bill: I Do.

Adrian to Lyn

Lyn today in front of your family and friends do you solemnly renew your promise to love and cherish Bill, to comfort and to care for him, to honour and protect him throughout your lives together?

Lyn: I Do

Rings

You are symbolising your renewal of vows by the exchange of rings, may I please have the rings?

This circle of gold is a symbol of all that is unending, having neither a beginning nor an end. Let this ring be the symbol of your unity, into which your lives are joined in one unbroken circle.

Bill, please place Lyn's ring on her finger

Lyn, please place Bill's ring on his finger

NSW Celebrant

Declaration

May that special love you now share continue to grow and blossom in the years to come and be sustained by family and friends, and by the commitment you make again today.

May you find in each other companionship as well as love, understanding as well as compassion, challenge as well as agreement.

May the home in which you live continue to be an island where the pressures of the world can be sorted out and brought into focus, where tensions can be released and understood, where personal needs do not tower over concerns for the other and where the warmth of humour and love puts crisis into perspective. Above all, may you find an even richer joy in living, learning, and loving together.

Please seal your renewal of vows with a kiss.

The Signing of the Certificate

I now invite Lyn, Bill along with their witnesses to join me as we sign the certificate.

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The Presentation

Ladies and Gentleman, please join me in congratulating as I now present the renewal of vows certificate to Bill and Lyn, for renewing their vows today.

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