



BRIDE AND GROOM INVITING

Together with their parents
Jennifer Anne Baker
and
Ryan John Smith
request the honour of your presence
at their marriage
on Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand and twelve
at three o'clock in the afternoon
First Methodist church
100 West Maple Street
Iowa City, Iowa

Jennifer Baker
and
Ryan Smith
have chosen the first day of their
new life together
as Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand twelve
You are invited to share in their joy
as they exchange marriage vows
at three o'clock in the afternoon
First Methodist Church
100 West Maple Street
Iowa City, Iowa

Because you have shared in their lives
by your friendship and love
Jennifer Anne Baker
and
Ryan John Smith
invite you to share in their joy
as they exchange marriage vows
on Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand and twelve
at three o'clock in the afternoon
First Methodist Church
100 West Maple Street
Iowa City, Iowa

The pleasure of your company is
requested at the marriage uniting
Jennifer Anne Baker
and
Ryan John Smith
Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand twelve
at half past five o'clock in the afternoon
First Methodist Church
100 West Maple Street
Iowa City, Iowa



BOTH PARENTS INVITING

Mr. and Mrs. William Baker
and
Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Smith
invite you to share in the joy
of the marriage uniting their children
Jennifer Anne
and
William James
on Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand and twelve
at three o'clock in the afternoon
Saint Mary's Catholic Church
228 East Jefferson Street
Iowa City, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. William Baker
and
Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Smith
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their children
Jennifer Anne
and
William James
on Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand and twelve
at three o'clock in the afternoon
Saint Mary's Catholic Church
228 East Jefferson Street
Iowa City, Iowa

BRIDE'S PARENTS INVITING

Mr. and Mrs. William Baker
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Jennifer Anne
to
William James Smith
son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Smith
on Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand and twelve
at three o'clock in the afternoon
Saint Mary's Catholic Church
228 East Jefferson Street
Iowa City, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. William Baker
request the pleasure of your company
at the marriage of their daughter
Jennifer Anne
and
William James Smith
Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand and twelve
at three o'clock in the afternoon
Park Place Event Centre
Grand Terrace
Cedar Falls, Iowa



DIVORCED PARENT IS HOSTING ALONE

Mr. Charles C. Miller
requests the honour of your presence
at the marriage of his daughter
Jennifer Anne
to Ryan John Smith
Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand and twelve
at three o'clock in the afternoon

Ms. Linda Miller
invites you to share in her joy
at the marriage of her daughter
Jennifer Anne
to Ryan John Smith
Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand and twelve
at three o'clock in the afternoon

DIVORCED PARENT IS HOSTING WITH NEW SPOUSE

Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Miller
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of his daughter
Jennifer Anne Miller
daughter of Mrs. Linda F. White
to Ryan John Smith
Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand and twelve
at three o'clock in the afternoon

Erik and Linda White
invite you to share in their joy
at the marriage of her daughter
Jennifer Anne Miller
and Ryan John Smith
Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand and twelve
at three o'clock in the afternoon

DIVORCED PARENTS ARE HOSTING JOINTLY

Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Miller
and Mr. and Mrs. Erik White
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Jennifer Anne Miller
to Ryan John Smith
Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand and twelve
at three o'clock in the afternoon

Charles and Rebecca Miller
with Linda White
invite you to share and celebrate
at the marriage of their daughter
Jennifer Anne Miller
to Ryan John Smith
Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand and twelve
at three o'clock in the afternoon



WIDOWED PARENT IS HOSTING ALONE

Mr. and Mrs. William White
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Jennifer Anne Miller
daughter of the late Mr. Charles Miller
to Mr. Ryan John Smith

ANNOUNCEMENT WORDING

Mr. and Mrs. William Baker
have the honor to announce
the marriage of their daughter
Jennifer Anne
to
Ryan John Smith
Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand ten
St. Mary's Catholic Church
Iowa City, Iowa

Jennifer Anne Baker
and
Ryan John Smith
announce their marriage
Saturday, the sixteenth of June
two thousand and ten
St. Mary's Catholic Church
Iowa City, Iowa



WEDDING INVITATION WORDING

DESTINATION WEDDINGS

William and Linda Baker invite you
 to share and celebrate
 the seaside marriage of their daughter
 Jennifer Anne
 to
 Ryan John Smith
 son of Andrew and Susan Smith
 Tuesday, the twenty-fifth of January
 two thousand eleven
 at half past four in the afternoon
 Dreams La Romana Resort and Spa
 La Romana, Dominican Republic

By sand and sea
 Under sun and sky
 Jennifer Anne Baker
 and
 Ryan John Smith
 are happy to announce
 they will be married in a private ceremony
 Wednesday, the third of August
 Two thousand five
 On the beaches of Jamaica

FORMAL REPLY CARDS

The favor of a reply is requested by
 the fifteenth of May

M _____

___ accepts with pleasure

___ declines with regret

Please indicate your choice of entree:

___ New York Strip Steak

___ Grilled Salmon

___ Vegetarian

The favor of a reply is requested by the fifteenth
 of May

M _____

___ will attend

___ will not attend

Number attending _____

CASUAL REPLY CARDS

Kindly reply by the fifteenth of May

Name(s) _____

___ accepts ___ regrets

Message to the bride and groom:

Kindly reply by the fifteenth of May

Name(s) _____

___ will attend ___ will not attend

We look forward to celebrating with you!

WEDDING INVITATION WORDING

MORE TIPS & GUIDELINES

- **The groom's parents are hosting the wedding:** The bride would then need to include her last name on the invitation since it can no longer be assumed. Also, instead of the bride "to" the groom, the line could read bride "to their son".
- **Both sets of parents are hosting:** The bride's parents' names would be on the first line followed by "&" and the groom's parents' names would be on the second line. The fourth line would then read "at the marriage of their children".
- **You're hosting your own wedding:** If your parents are still alive, it is proper etiquette to include them on the invitation regardless of payment. However, if you choose to issue your own invitation, you would simply omit the parent names.
- **Your mother wants her first name on the invitation, too:** It would read "Mrs. Jane and Mr. Ed White"...the father's name remains with the surname always.
- **Your parents are divorced and neither is remarried:** Your parents' names should simply be on separate lines and not joined by "and". The mother should be on the first line – with "Mrs." followed by her first name, maiden name and last name.
- **Your parents are divorced and remarried:** Generally, it is only the bride's parents that give her away, but if you would like to include your parents' spouses include your mother and her husband on the first line, your father and his wife on the second line. Be sure to include the bride's last name as well.
- **You are adopted:** The parents that raised you are to be on the invitation.
- **One or both of your parents are deceased:** When one parent is deceased, the surviving parent issues the invitation. If your mother is the remaining parent and has not remarried, she would be listed as "Mrs. Jane White". If your mother has remarried she would generally be listed by herself (unless the stepparent raised the child from a very young age) but with her new married name – the bride should then include her last name on the invitation. If both parents are deceased, it is proper etiquette for a grandparent, close friend/relative or the couple to host the event. Simply replace "daughter" on the invitation with the proper relationship term.
- **You have been married before:** The bride and groom generally host the wedding if one has been married before, however, the bride's parents can still issue the invitation if they choose. A bride should include her first, middle and last name on the invitation.
- **One or both of your parents is a doctor:** If your father is a doctor and your mother is not, the line should read "Doctor (or Dr. if his name is rather long) and Mrs. Ed White". If your mother is a doctor and your father is not, she would traditionally still be listed as "Mrs.". However, if your mother chooses to use "Doctor" her name should be placed on the first line with "Doctor" followed by "and" your father's name on the second line (Doctor Jane and Ed White). If both parents are doctors, traditionally it should still read "Doctor and Mrs. Ed White", however it could also be listed as "The Doctors White" or your mother's name with "Doctor" followed by "and" your father's name with "Doctor".
- **Your mother uses her maiden name:** Once again, your mother would traditionally be listed as "Mr. and Mrs. Ed White", but you can treat it the same as if she were a doctor. List her name first followed by "and" your father's name on the second line.