

Reaffirmation of Marriage Vows

JACK to Jill:

Susan passes Jill the flowers

Jill and Jack then move down the aisle to Elvis Presley singing, to positions at the front with Susan, Jason, Carolyn and Martin following behind. At the end of the song, I then gather everyone around for the ceremony...

KERRY

Welcome everyone

We are all here today with Jill and Jack to celebrate a wonderful and increasingly rare milestone.... 50 years as husband and wife.

We all know marriage between two people is never an easy journey. It is something that needs to be continually worked on.

Love, strong and passionate at the start of the journey, changes with the passing of time. If we are lucky, though, love deepens and we learn more about ourselves and each other.

Jill and Jack have learnt some great things...

They have learnt about friendship.

Friends stick together through all life's challenges and celebrations.

They have learned about forgiveness.

It takes two special people to accept each others faults and still find it in their hearts to forgive each other and forget old arguments.

They have learnt when fear and frustration creep into their relationship, to focus on what is right between them.

They have each learnt to follow their own path but always to support the path of each other. They have learnt to love each other for who they are.

They have learnt about the joy of family, the value of friends and the importance of hope...

Most importantly however, they have learned about love... they have learnt that love is something that takes time... like a good wine that matures with age...

Both Susan and Jason have messages from the heart for you both...

Susan shares her message

Jason shares his message

KERRY

And so after 50 years together as husband and wife....Jill and Jack stand before you all to once again take each others hand in marriage.

JACK

Darling, 50 years ago we made a commitment to each other when we exchanged our wedding vows. We didn't realize at the time just how lucky we were going to be.

Although at times, life has not been easy and we have had many ups and downs, we have always been there for each other, worked through the problems together, and have found ways to move forward together.

We have been blessed with a beautiful family – a family of 2 children and 6 grandchildren. They have brought so much joy to our lives.

You have always been the love of my life and God's special gift to me.

RENEWAL OF THE WEDDING VOWS: Face each other

KERRY:

Jill and Jack, although legally married, you have taken this opportunity to reaffirm your love and commitment to each other, to celebrate what you have achieved together as husband and wife.

I now ask you once again after 50 years of marriage, to exchange your wedding vows in front of your family and friends who love you dearly.

JACK:

Jill I believe in this marriage more strongly then ever.
Today, I renew the promises I made to you 50 years ago:

I will continue to love you, honor you, and comfort you, in sickness and in health, for richer, for poorer, for better and for worse, as long as we both shall live.

I will continue to wear the ring that you placed on my finger all those years ago which reminds me daily of how lucky I was to have found you.

JILL:

50 years ago I, Jill, took you, Jack, to be my lawful wedded husband, to have and to hold, from that day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health. Today I reaffirm that vow to you with all my love.

KERRY SAYS:

Jill and Jack

Today you each remarry your friend;
The one you have laughed with and cried with,
The one you have learned from and shared with,

The one you have chosen to support,
Encourage and give yourself to,
through all the days given you to share.
Today you each remarry the one you love.

I officially declare you now and forever more, husband and wife together.

You may now kiss your bride.

Signing

Jill and Jack, would like Susan, Jason, Carolyn and Martin to join them in signing the paperwork and they ask that you all make sure you have a full glass ready for toasts when we return.

Sign the certificate Presentation

Jill and Jack, once in a lifetime if you are lucky, you find someone as you have found each other.....lets raise our glasses to Jill and Jack, still very much husband and wife.