

# Important People

at your wedding

## Mother of the Bride

The Bride's Mother is the ultimate go-to person for support and advice, since she has already had her wedding day and knows the drill. She has a few duties upon her when it comes to her daughter's wedding day.

These duties may include:

- ♥ Helping the Maid of Honor organizing the bridal shower
- ♥ Helping the Bride with setting up the guest list and seating chart
- ♥ Discussing and outlining the wedding budget, along with the Bride's Father
- ♥ She goes with when the Bride shops for her wedding dress
- ♥ On the day of the wedding, the MOB may check that everything runs smoothly
- ♥ Finally, she helps the Bride into her wedding dress and attire

## Mother of the Groom

Back in the day, the Groom's mother and father sort of disappeared into the background, with the Bride's parents organizing everything. Nowadays, it is customary to get the MOG involved and make her feel like she's part of her son's wedding.

Duties for the Mother of the Groom may include the following:

- ♥ Helping the Mother of the Bride handle the vendors and suppliers on the day of the wedding
- ♥ Organizing a private dinner with the Bride's parents to celebrate their offspring's engagement
- ♥ Offer advice and support to both the Groom and Bride
- ♥ Go with when the Bride shops for her wedding dress
- ♥ Help the MOB and whoever else is involved with choosing a venue
- ♥ Assist with the guest list, especially with the Groom's side of the family
- ♥ Plan and pay for the Rehearsal Dinner, which is traditionally the responsibility of the parents of the Groom.

## Father of the Bride

It is indeed a very emotional day for the Father of the Bride. He is giving his little princess away to her future husband. He was the one who taught her all the fun parts of life, like how to ride a bike and how to swim. He was her place of safety. He gave her advice on dating boys... You can only imagine how emotional he is.

The duties of the Father of the Bride includes:

- ♥ In some cases, the Father of the Bride can be the Master of Ceremonies at his daughter's wedding

- ♥ The Speech! At the wedding reception, it is customary to make a speech and toast toward the newlyweds.
- ♥ The Father & Daughter dance... Try not to get too emotional!

## Father of the Groom

The Father of the Groom will be the one beaming at the front of the church, because his son is getting married. Nothing makes a father prouder (I think).

The duties of the Father of the Groom include:

- ♥ Making sure everything is in order for the men of the bridal party
- ♥ Being the center of support for the Groom
- ♥ Making the speech and toast towards the Couple
- ♥ Dancing with the Bride after she and her father danced

## Maid of Honor

The Maid of Honor has a very important task. She has to keep the Bride calm and sane, be there to support her no matter what, take charge in organizing other members of the bridal party, organize and delegate tasks and services for the wedding and on top of it all, she also has to remain calm and sane.

The M/H is usually a very close friend or a sister of the Bride. However, it is becoming a trend to ask other family members to be a

MH. Aunts, nieces and cousins are also at the top of the list. Females from the Groom's side of the family can also be asked to be a MH, especially if the Bride gets along well with them.

\* See the PDF: List of Duties - Maid of Honor

## Bridesmaids

The Bride chooses a few (normally 3) Bridesmaids to be part of her Bridal Party. The Bridesmaids help the Maid of Honor in supporting the Bride, comforting her, helping to organize the wedding, hosting bridal showers and bachelorette parties, etc. They also take care of the Maid of Honor, and support her wherever they can.

\* See the PDF: List of Duties - Bridesmaids

## Best Man

The Best Man is usually the Groom's best friend or brother. He is responsible for keeping the Groom sane and calm, organizing things from his side of the wedding party, and also assisting the Maid of Honor with some of her duties. The BM also organizes the Groomsmen and Groom-related things like the Bachelor's Party.

\* See the PDF: List of Duties - Best Man

## Groomsmen

The Groomsmen are also usually friends or siblings, or even cousins. They help the Best Man to organize and delegate tasks from his side. They also help him with organizing a Bachelor's Party for the Groom. At the ceremony, they usher guests to their seats.

\* See the PDF: List of Duties - Groomsmen

## The Flower Girl

The Flower Girl is normally a small or young girl carrying a basket full of rose petals or confetti. She walks at the front of the procession with the Ring Bearer. Whether or not she is throwing confetti or petals on the floor before the ceremony is up to the Bride to decide.

The Flower Girl walks first after the ceremony, and as guests walk out they can take a handful of confetti from her basket.

## The Ring Bearer

The Ring Bearer is normally a small boy, which could be a brother or another member of the Groom or the Bride's family. His task is to walk down the aisle with the rings.

A note on this: the Ring Bearer is not always a person. It could be an animal like a trained dog as well. We have even seen a hawk trained to take the ring to the front of the church!

## The Master of Ceremonies

The MC is there to direct the order of the reception and to keep the guests entertained. He announces the Bride and Groom and the rest of the wedding party when they enter the reception venue. He also makes a speech and a toast and call other members to make speeches too.

His duty is also to announce when memorable moments are happening like the first dance, cutting of the cake, catching the bouquet and garter, etc.