

Blackley-Templeton Vows Pledged At Sardis Presbyterian

Dr. Ernest Lee Stoffel officiated at the Saturday, September 12, wedding of Miss Mary Elizabeth Templeton and David Pressly Blackley, at the Sardis Presbyterian Church in Charlotte. The ceremony took place at 3:00 p.m. in the midst of two six-branched candelabras holding lighted candles and flowers surrounded with greenery. Steps leading to the altar were marked with large ferns in brass containers while a large brass urn arrangement on the altar table was the focal point and composed of fleur gerberas, yellow lilies, pinocchio, and miniature carnations accented by lexic greenery.

The bride's accessories were a single strand of pearls, belonging to her sister, and matching pearl earrings. Attending the bride as maid of honor was her sister, Ann Templeton of Charlotte, SC.

Bridesmaids were Barbara Templeton of Mooresville, sister of the bride; Ruth Blackley of Raleigh, sister of the groom; Lenore Champion of Richmond, Va.; Jennifer Doby of Winston-Salem; Martha Echols Mison of Albemarle, GA; Kerry Kemp Rowley of Huntville, AL; Rebecca Cornwell Chambers of Charlotte and Anne Kent Lowe of Roanoke, VA, cousin of the bride.

All of the attendants wore tea length gowns of royal blue satin fashioned with puffed sleeves and a deep V neckline in the back. The waist was defined with a wide bow.

They carried clutch style bouquets of fleur gerberas, yellow lilies, pinocchio, miniature carnations and blue statice with white peot ribbon streamers. The maid of honor's bouquet was identical but slightly larger.

The groom's best man was his father, Groomsman were Shem Kearney Blackley III of Norfolk, VA, and Fred Blackley of Shelby, both brothers of the groom; Gray Templeton of Nashville, TN, brother of the bride; Taylor Dyer, Mark Harrington and Randy Kennedy, all of Charlotte; Chuck Lamplsey of Carboro; Brett Harris and Frank Renfrow, both of Matthews and Hamilton Baird of Burlington.

The male attendants, including the fathers of the bride couple, wore strolches which were grey jackets with grey pinstriped pants, vests, ivory pleated shirts and striped ascots. Their boutonnieres were small mixed flowers.

Master David John Blackley of Shelby, nephew of the groom, was the ring bearer. He carried a white satin pillow trimmed in white lace with accents of white lily-of-the-valley.

The bride's mother wore a tea length dress of champagne textured tulle in a two-piece design with long sleeves and a crushed collar.

The groom's mother selected a two-piece pink chiffon gown

fashioned with long sleeves and a pleated skirt. Presiding at the guest registers and presenting bulletins to the guests were Mrs. William Hackney and son, John, of Charlotte and Mrs. Dick Magee and daughter, Cathy, of Orlando, FL.

A reception followed the ceremony in the church Fellowship Hall. Flowers to match those used in the wedding and arranged in brass urns were placed at focal points throughout the reception area and for the table centerpiece.

The food and punch tables were decorated identically with mixed greenery. Four of the tables were laden with platters of shrimp with dip, fresh strawberries, fruits, ham biscuits, cheese puffs, minis, assorted sandwiches, ham biscuits and nuts. Punch was also served from four tables.

The traditional wedding cake was placed in one area of the reception room and the groom's cake was in an opposite area of the room.

The three-tiered wedding cake was decorated with white roses and pale green leaves. The top tier was ornamented with a fresh bouquet of flowers.

Prior to the arrival of the bride and groom, the chocolate groom's cake, featuring chocolate roses and leaves, was cut and served to the guests.

Upon arrival of the bride and groom they cut the first slice of the traditional wedding cake and then formed a receiving line with the bride's mother and the groom's parents. The bride's father greeted guests who did not go through the receiving line.

The couple is honeymooning in London, England. The bride and groom chose their honeymoon destination because of their love for London since the bride had studied English literature and art there and in Italy during her junior year at Furman University. The groom had visited London while on a Boy Scout Jamboree to Norway.

The newweds will make their home in Charlotte.

The bride is a graduate of East Mecklenburg High School and Furman University in Greenville, SC, with a BA degree in studio art.

The groom is a graduate of East Mecklenburg High School. He is a graduate of N. C. State University in Raleigh with a BS degree in mechanical engineering. He is proprietor of Renfrow Hardware Store in Matthews.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shem Blackley at their home in Matthews.

The "pig pickin'" was held at 7:30 p.m. on the lawn of the home and tables were set up for 150 guests, including the wedding party, out of town guests and friends of the groom from state university.

Covered with pastel colored checked gingham cloths, each table was appointed with a lighted lantern and greenery.

Entertainment was presented by a blue grass band, The Dirt Creek Band.

Placed at vantage points throughout the lawn were baskets of chrysanthemums and hurricane lamps.

A wedding breakfast was given on Saturday morning, September 12, at The Country Inn in Matthews.

Hosting the bridal event were Frank Renfrow of Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Lacey of Shelby and Mr. and Mrs. James Baird of Burlington.

The tables were covered with white cloths and centered with baskets of violets.

The menu consisted of quiche, cheese grits, cooked fruit, sausage and rolls.

Guests enjoying the hospitality of the hosts and hostesses included the bride couple, their wedding party and out of town guests.



MRS. DAVID PRESSLY BLACKLEY

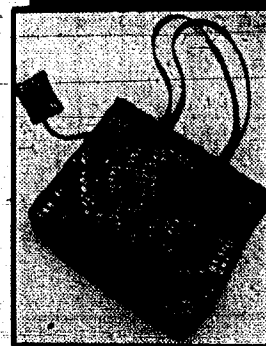
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