



Mrs. Alex Thompson Jr.
.....The former Miss Marilyn Sowell

Marilyn Sowell And Alex

Thompson Exchange Vows

In an afternoon service, Marilyn Ann Sowell and Alex Thompson exchanged wedding vows. Dr. Dewey Duncan officiated the service which took place at Second Calvary Baptist Church.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white satin gown designed with a sweetheart neckline and a basque bodice. The bodice was appliqued with pearl Alencon lace and Venice lace around the neckline. The long, tapered sleeves had motifs of Alencon lace. The flared skirt was enhanced with a pyramid design of matching beaded lace and the attached chapel-length train was bordered with scalloped Alencon lace.

For her veil, the bride chose a waltz veil of white illusion featuring a rolled hem and a tiara of matching lace, highlighted with pearls and pouff in the back.

As the matron of honor, the bride chose her sister, Brenda Harris. Her bridesmaids included Barbara Vaughter, the bride's sister, Phyllis Mayfield, Marion Pauling, and Maxine Sowell, the bride's sister-in-law.

Little Miss Kamilah Gabriel and Rolanda Gabriel were the flower girls.

As best man the groom chose his nephew, Alfred Thompson. Assisting him were groomsmen, Charles Harris, Wallace Pruitt, the bride's brother, Andrew Sowell Jr., and Jerry Nance. Don Harris and Bryant Harris, the bride's nephews, and Tommy Thompson, the groom's son, were the junior groomsmen.

Kirkpatrick Family

Reunion Set

The Kirkpatrick family reunion will take place July 25-27. The reunion will open with "Family Night," Friday, July 25, 8:15 p.m., at McDonald's Cafeteria banquet hall. A cocktail hour will be followed by a prime rib dinner, music and other entertainment.

Featured on July 26 is a picnic at Hornet's Nest Park shelter no. 2 at noon. Then on Sunday, July 27, family and friends worship together at Little Rock AME Zion Church, 401 N. McDowell Street.

The Kirkpatrick Family Reunion, Inc., and the Kirkpatrick Scholarship Fund were founded in the mid-70s by the late Joseph Kirkpatrick Sr., the late Mrs. Josephine Walker Wade, and Mrs. Georgia Pettiford.

For more information, contact Mrs. Mary Harris, 567-2428.

CALL To Hold

First Garage Sale

The Charlotte Area Literacy League (The Reading Place), will hold its first annual garage sale at the league's office, 1520 South Blvd., on Saturday, July 19.

People with saleable items they would like to donate to the Literacy League may drop them off at the league office Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

All contributions are tax-deductible. Proceeds from the sale will be used to buy books and materials for volunteer tutors to help students who pay no cost to read or improve their reading skills.

For additional information, contact the Literacy League at 1520 South Blvd., 375-3533.

In Matrimony

Pamela Turner And William Croston Are Joined

The lives of Pamela Clarineze Turner and William Alexander Croston III were recently joined in holy matrimony.

Given in marriage by her brother, Samuel Graddy, the bride wore a gown of satin and Venice lace. The bodice featured a dropped basque waistline, a sheer yoke with a sweetheart effect, a high jeweled lace collar and long tapered sleeves. Appliques of beaded Venice lace accented the bodice and sleeves. The softly gathered skirt was designed with a cathedral train. Motifs of silk Venice lace were used throughout the skirt and train. A deep border of scalloped cut-out lace enhanced the gown.

For her headpiece, the bride chose a designer hat with fingertip illusion. The hat was covered in satin and appliqued with matching beaded lace. A face veil of French netting completed the hat.

The wedding took place at Evergreen Baptist Church in Palmyra, New Jersey. The Reverends Campbell and Nolan Branch officiated the ceremony.

Morning Star Named

Chapter Of Year

Morning Star Chapter No. 458 of Modern Free Accepted Masons of the World Inc. was recently named the 1986 Chapter of the Year at the 60th Supreme Grand Council, held in Canada.

The chapter, which is under the leadership of Lillie Kirkpatrick, worthy matron, has a growing membership, is successfully executing a host of activities and serving mankind. Some of the beneficiaries of the chapter's generosity has been two families whose homes were burned, the Salvation Army Homeless Shelter Fund and Crisis Assistance Ministry.

WomanReach

WomanReach will again offer a Support Group for "Newly Separated-Divorced" women each Wednesday, from 6:30-8 p.m. at the WomanReach Center, facilitated by Ann Forcinito.

The WomanReach Center is a United Way Agency.

For more information and to register, call a WomanReach peer counselor Monday - Thursday, 10-9 p.m.; Friday, 10-4 p.m.; and Saturday, 10-3 p.m., at 334-3614.

The bride's sister, Sonyae Turner served as maid of honor. Other bridesmaids included the bride's sister, Deborah Branch and Marie McCleave, Toni Brown, Lucinda Starks and Martha Gibbs, all of Charlotte, the groom's sister, Ruth Croston, and Vickie Croston.

Flower girls were the bride's nieces Leah Branch and Rachel McCleave.

As best man, the groom chose Chris Turnbull. Assisting him were the groom's brothers, John Croston and Malcolm Croston, Reginald Harris, Noel Hawkins, Ronald McCleave, the bride's brother-in-law, and Michael Sanders.

Master Cory Taylor was the ringbearer.

Providing the music for the ceremony were organist, Bryant Pugh and soloists, Sharon Henderson, Julia Samuels and Brenda Walls.

The daughter of Mary Turner Engram and the late William Edward Turner, the bride is a graduate of Livingstone College, having received a B.S. in mathematics. She is employed as an analyst of programming with Duke Power.

The groom is the son of Mabel Croston and the late Alfred Alonzo Croston. He is a graduate of the State University of New York in Binghamton, New York. He earned a B.S. degree in accounting. He is presently employed as an accountant with IBM.

Immediately following the reception which was held at Nero's Woodbine Inn, the couple took a honeymoon trip to Jamaica.



Mrs. William A. Croston III
.....Formerly Miss Pamela C. Turner

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