

Miss Fussell, Mr. Byrd Wed In Baptist Rites

Big reception by Mayor and his wife.

Byrd in marriage by the father, the bride wore a gown of white silk organza with an empire neckline. The bodice, overlaid in Chantilly lace, featured a scalloped neckline and long sleeves of Chantilly lace ending in calli-ly points over the hands and was highlighted at the empire line with sequins and seed pearls. The controlled A line skirt was highlighted with lace appliques adorned with tiny seed pearls and sequins. This was repeated on the cathedral train which fell from the empire line. Her veil of illusion fell elbow length from a tiara encrusted in tiny seed pearls. She wore a pearl pendant, a gift of the groom. Her bouquet was a cascade arrangement of feathered carnations, mums, and stephanotis showered with white satin ribbons.

Maid of honor was Miss Deborah Ann Futch of Rose Hill. She wore a formal gown of mint green dotted swiss styled in the empire line. The bodice featured a scalloped neckline and short scalloped sleeves. The back of her gown was enhanced with a bow of self material at the empire line with a single wide streamer giving the effect of a controlled train. Her head-dress was a green satin bow with circular veil. She carried a nosegay of yellow mums and pompons tied with mint green satin streamers.

Bridesmaids were Miss Mary Ellen Byrd of Rose Hill, sister of the groom, and Miss Kathy Benton of Rose Hill. Junior bridesmaids were Miss Brenda Joyce of Winston-Salem and Miss Brenda Johnson of Rose Hill, cousins of the bride. They wore gowns and headresses like those of the honor attendant and carried nosegays of a yellow mum tied with mint green satin streamers.

Flower girl was little Miss Rhonda Casteen of Rose Hill, cousin of the bride. She wore a gown and headress in miniature like those of the other attendants and carried a white basket filled with yellow pompons.

Ringbearer was Master Michael Exley of Reno, Pennsylvania, cousin of the bride. He carried the rings on a white satin pillow.

Mr. Byrd received his bride in his car. Reception was given at the home of Rose Hill. The bride and groom were accompanied by the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Fussell, Sr., of Rose Hill, paternal grandmother of the bride, Miss L.C. Fussell, Sr., of Rose Hill, maternal grandmother of the bride, Miss L.C. Fussell, Sr., of Rose Hill, paternal grandmother of the bride, Miss L.C. Fussell, Sr., of Rose Hill, maternal grandmother of the bride.

The wedding was directed by Mrs. Clifford Johnson. The couple greeted their guests in the vestibule of the church. Mrs. Paul Byrd of Magnolia, cousin of the groom, invited guests to register. The registry table was covered in a white linen cloth and held a picture of the bride in her wedding gown and a single burning taper.

The newly married couple left for a wedding trip to the mountains of North Carolina. For traveling, Mrs. Byrd changed into a blue double knit dress, matching accessories, and a corsage of white carnations.

Mrs. Byrd is a graduate of Wallace-Rose Hill High School and Miller-Motts Business College in Wilmington. Mr. Byrd is a graduate of James Kenan High School and is attending North Carolina State University in Raleigh with a major in Livestock Technology.

The couple will be making their home in Rose Hill during the summer and in Raleigh in the fall.

Among the out of town guests attending the Fussell-Byrd wedding were Mrs. Robert E. Joyce of Winston-Salem; Reverend Bobby Gavin of Dunn; Mr. W.L. Thomas and Miss Fannie Horts of Wilmington; Mrs. Ethel L. Gavin, Percy Gavin, Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Davis, Mrs. Bessie Boone, and Conrad Boone of Warsaw; Mr. and Mrs. Finley Carr, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Johnston,

Following the rehearsal for the Fussell-Byrd wedding on Saturday evening, a cake cutting was hosted by Mrs. D.T. Jessup, Mrs. H.G. Finch, and Mrs. J.J. Wells, aunts of the groom-elect, at the home of the bride-elect. Guests were the members of the wedding party and out of town guests.

The Fussell home was made lovely for the occasion with a color note of green and white carried out in floral arrangements and refreshments. An arrangement of Queen Anne's lace, fever few, and gladioli in a silver bowl graced a console table in the den.

The bride's table, covered with a white linen cloth, was centered with an arrangement of white flanked on either side by white burning tapers in silver candleholders. One end of the table was graced with a crystal punch bowl from which Mrs. Luke Clemmons, aunt of the groom-elect, of Fort Wentworth, Georgia, poured punch. The other end of the table held a three-tiered wedding cake topped with a bride and groom. After the traditional first slice of cake had been cut by the bride and groom-elect, Mrs. Johnny Fussell, mother of

Bachelorette party was hosted by Bobby Johnson and Royal Johnson at the E & J Studios in Magnolia on Saturday evening following the cake cutting for the men of the Fussell-Byrd wedding.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the parents of the bride-elect on Saturday, June 13, at six o'clock in the evening at the Stone Manor Restaurant. Guests included the members of the Fussell-Byrd wedding and out of town guests.

Miss Fussell received a mum corsage. Guests were served tomato juice cocktails and hors d'oeuvres when they arrived.

PRENUPTIAL COURTESIES MISS FUSSELL FETED AT LINGERIE SHOWER On Wednesday, May 14, from seven until nine o'clock in the evening, Miss Betty Fussell was honored at a floating lingerie shower given at the home of Mrs. Harry Walker at 102 South Fourth Street, Wilmington. Hostesses with Mrs. Walker were Miss Marilyn Owens, Miss Diane Usher, Miss Jane Boone, Miss Jean Phipps, Miss Doris Capps, Miss Elizabeth Worrell, and Miss Elizabeth Stanley.

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MISS FUSSELL HONORED AT KITCHEN SHOWER Miss Fussell was again feted on Saturday, June 7, at eight o'clock in the evening with a kitchen shower. Hostesses were Mrs. Roy Southerland, Miss Deborah Futch, Miss Kathy Benton, Miss Donna Eland, and Miss Margaret Blanchard. The party was given at the home of Mrs. Southerland.

Upon arrival, the honoree was presented a white mum corsage. Mrs. Johnny Fussell, mother of the bride-elect, and Mrs. David Byrd Sr., mother of the prospective groom, were both presented corsages of yellow mums. The Southerland home was tastefully decorated for the occasion with arrangements of roses used in the living room. Miss Donna Eland directed the playing of several bridal games with prizes awarded to the winners who gracefully presented them to the bride. The guests were invited into the dining room for refreshment.

MISCELLANEOUS SHOWER HONORS BRIDE-ELECT Miss Betty Fussell was honored at a miscellaneous shower on Wednesday, June 18, at eight o'clock in the evening in the Fellowship Hall of the Corinth Church. Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. A.L. Worley, Mrs. Edward Eland, Mrs. Price Knowles, Mrs. Harry Ro-use, Mrs. Odessa Lee Johnson, and Mrs. Raeford Hudson.

Miss Sophia Eland greeted the guests, and Mrs. Raeford Hudson directed the playing of several bridal games. Prizes were awarded the winners who presented their prizes to the honored guest. The refreshment table was covered with a handsome white linen cloth accented at the corners with pink bows and centered with an arrangement of mixed colored summer flowers. Mrs. Graham Raynor aunt of the bride, poured punch, and Mrs. C.P. Williams, aunt of the bride, served bridal squares. Bridal mints and salted nuts were also served. The gift table was covered in white linen and held a center arrangement of magnolia and magnolia blossoms. Approximately sixty guests attended.

Corinth Baptist Church was the setting Sunday, June 29, 1969 for the marriage of Miss Betty Carol Fussell to Mr. David Oldham Byrd, Jr. The double-ring ceremony, impressive and beautiful, was performed by the Reverend Robert Percy Gavin of Dunn, cousin of the bride, at three o'clock in the afternoon. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Graham Fussell of Route One, Rose Hill. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. David Oldham Byrd, Sr., of Route One, Rose Hill. The vows were spoken before an altar banked in palms and centered with a massive basket arrangement of gladioli and mums flanked on either side by two spiral candelabras holding lighted cathedral tapers. Reserved pews were marked

with white satin bows. A program of nuptial music was rendered by Miss Connie Savage, organist, and Mr. J.C. Thomas of Wilmington, cousin of the bride, and Miss Frankie Byrd, sister of the groom, vocalists. Mr. Thomas sang "Whither Thou Goest" and "Because". Miss Byrd sang "The Lord's Prayer" as the benediction. Traditional wedding

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