



MS. FREDA BAILEY SHIPMAN

## Couple Repeat Marriage Vows In Ring Ceremony

Ms. Freda Elaine Bailey of Raleigh and Keith Alan Shipman of Cary were united in holy matrimony recently at First Cosmopolitan Baptist Church. Rev. Dr. W.B. Lewis officiated at the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Thomas E. Bailey and Ms. Bermeadean W. Bailey of Raleigh and the granddaughter of Ms. Margie L. Bailey, also of Raleigh. The parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Shipman, Jr., of Enterprise, Ala.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a white satin and sporabella lace gown. A V neck and back flowed into a fitted basque waist bodice. Both neckline and bodice were heavily decorated with pearl and iridescent sequins. Long portraity-type sleeves extended from the shoulders and were decorated with sporabella lace accented with pearls and sequins. The full skirt fell in soft gathers and flowed into a semi-cathedral-length train. The front skirt was enhanced with sporabella motifs lightly touched with pearls and sequins. The train carried the same lace motif with smaller motifs dancing around the larger ones. The look was finished with a border of sporabella lace.

The bride completed her look with a white stain cap with sporabella flowers. The cap and flowers were trimmed in seed and oat pearls. Small puffs adorned the back of the cap and a two-tier veil flowed to fingertip length. Scattered pearls enhanced the veil.

She carried an elegant oval pearlized cascade which was entwined with pink roses and ivy.

Ms. Sharon J. Ivey of Baltimore, Md. attended the bride as the matron of honor. The maid of honor was Ms. Paron T. Bailey of Roanoke, Va. Bridesmaids were Ms. Rosalind B. Lee, Durham; Ms. Regina M. Shipman, Enterprise, Ala.; Ms. Cassandra A. Sloan, Charlotte; Ms. Alfreda C. Smith, Raleigh; and Ms. Rosalyn M. Wagner, Atlanta, Ga.

The bridesmaids wore gowns of sheer pink chiffon. The gowns featured a jewel neckline, cap ruffle short sleeves, a dropped waist caught with a rhinestone clip. The tea-length skirt flowed full.

The matron and maid of honor carried oval bouquets of pink and green tipped carnations, ivy, baker and baby's breath with pink and green satin ribbon. The bridesmaids carried oval bouquets of pink carnations, ivy, baker and baby's breath with pink satin ribbon.

Little Miss Lane K. Matthews of Upper Marlboro, Md. was the flower girl. She wore a white lace gown of tiers and flounces of baby ruffled lace, with demure puffed sleeves and satin ribbon sash in pink and white. She also wore a flower girl's hair wreath of fabric flowers and satin ribbon trim.

Timothy D. Brooks of Fort Worth, Texas served as best man. The groomsmen were Christopher Bryant of Raleigh, Eric Duncan of Prattville, Ala.; Terry Greenwood of Enterprise, Ala.; Christopher Hart of San Antonio Texas; Theodore Lawson, II of Birmingham, Ala.; Steve R. Ruffin of Bethesda, Md. and Eric Williams of Atlanta, Ga. They were dressed in black tuxedos with cutaway coats, white pleated formal shirts, bowtie and cummerbund to match tuxedo lapels. They each wore pink carnation boutonnières.

Master Nathan Lea of Raleigh served as the ringbearer. He wore a matching attire to the bridegroom: black full dress tailcoat with white wing collar, pique formal shirt white pique vest and bowtie with matching shoes.

The bride's mother wore a lime silk tea-length dress. The bride was adorned with chandilly beads and iridescent sequins

and rhinestones. A flattery skirt with mushroom pleats complemented the dress. She wore matching lime green satin pumps. She carried an iridescent sequined and beaded evening bag.

The bridegroom's mother wore a shell pink tea-length dress of georgette fabric featuring a dropped waistline and circled skirt. The sabrina neckline was enhanced with a venice lace collar. She wore matching eelskin shoes and carried a beaded evening bag and wore matching lace gloves.

The bride's grandmother wore a soft pink chiffon formal-length evening gown with long sleeves. Her gown had a cowl neckline with a lace inlet which was belted with a full flowing skirt. She wore lace gloves, matching shoes and carried a beaded and iridescent sequined evening handbag.

The bride's mother, grandmother and the bridegroom's mother each wore matching orchid corsages.

The wedding was directed by Ms. Merlyn W. Lytle and Ms. Linda B. Gill, both of Raleigh.

Wedding music was presented by Obataiye B. Akinwole, organist, and Ms. Annette P. McCullers and Ms. Carolyn Mack, soloists.

The reception was held at the Holiday Inn-State Capitol hosted by the bride's father. Reception music was provided by the Reginald Jeffrey Jazz Quartet, a gift from the bride's mother.

The bride is a cum laude graduate of North Carolina Central University and a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Social Work with a master's degree. She is employed at the Veterans Administration Medical Center as a medical social worker. She is a member of Alpha Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

The bridegroom is a graduate of the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa with a bachelor of science degree in accounting. Shipman is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. He is employed by North Carolina State University as a senior internal auditor.

The bride was honored at a bridal shower on March 25 at Fort Rucker Officers Club, Fort Rucker, Ala., hosted by Ms. Mary Merritt, Ms. Sharon Greenwood, and Ms. Pam Gainey; and on April 28 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, Raleigh, hosted by bridesmaids Ms. Alfreda C. Smith, Ms. Cassandra A. Sloan and Ms. Sharon J. Ivey, matron of honor.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the bridegroom's parents May 26 at the Holiday Inn State Capital.

Bridal and bridesmaids breakfast was held May 27 at the same site, hosted by a friend of the bride's family.

Mr. and Mrs. Shipman honeymooned on a cruise to the Bahamas. They will live in Cary.

## Sgt. Graduates From Command

Tech. Sgt. Martin D. Stockman has graduated from an Air Force major command noncommissioned officer academy.

The sergeant received advanced military leadership and management training.

Stockman is supervisor of the Aircraft Structural Maintenance Section at Pope Air Force Base, N.C., with the 317th Field Maintenance Squadron.

He is the nephew of Roy W. and Evelyn Stockman of Rural Route 1, Ogdan, Iowa.

His wife, Air Force Senior Airman Karen A. Stockman, is the daughter of Richard M. Coyer of Zebulon, N.C.

The sergeant is a 1977 graduate of Ogdan Community High School.

## Sharpton Says Charges Help Boost Career

NEW YORK, N.Y. (AP)—The Rev. Al Sharpton said indictments accusing him of tax evasion and stealing \$250,000 from a youth group will only serve to boost his career because the charges are false.

"This indictment is going to energize my career rather than hurt it," Sharpton said in a telephone interview.

Sharpton reiterated that Attorney General Robert Abrams has a personal vendetta against him.

"I'm convinced that we will beat these charges," Sharpton said. "The media has to understand that the onus of proof is on Abrams. Abrams has got to convince a jury, against my board testifying on my behalf that I took money from them and used it personally."

"And if he can do that, I'll kiss the man in the moon," Sharpton said.

Abrams alleged Sharpton made personal use of \$250,000 solicited for the National Youth Movement, an anti-drug group he started when he was 16. He was also charged with evading state income tax by using the bank accounts of the National Youth Movement as his personal accounts.

Sharpton said that Abrams is seeking retribution for Sharpton's involvement in the Tawana Brawley case.

Ms. Brawley is a former Dutchess County resident who claimed she was abducted and raped in Dutchess County by white men. Sharpton acted as a Brawley family adviser and led rallies for her.

Sharpton said none of the youth group board members has accused him of stealing money from the youth movement.

"They've never made that charge. So who is he speaking for? How does a policeman arrest me for breaking into your house and you say nothing is missing?" he said.

"He hasn't offered one shred of evidence to the press or even an accusation of where I spent the money... here's a Rolls-Royce, here's a Caddy, here's anything."

Sharpton said the money was used for numerous rallies, marches and anti-drug crusades.

"And he's saying that none of this was community work," Sharpton said. "Then, what was it? I wasn't running a welfare program, I run an activist organization."

Sharpton also challenged Abrams to personally prosecute the case.



GRADUATION EXERCISES—Raleigh Nursery School's 40th annual graduation exercises were held at the Fine Arts Building of Saint Augustine's College, Raleigh. Raleigh Nursery School is a United Way Agency located in the Community Building at Chavis Heights. They offer services for children ages 1-5. Pictured above are staff and children: Telisa Hinton, Cameron Hinton, Lokie Hill, Stephanie Harris, Erica Harris, Quatrice Cox, Trirese Cook,

Bennie Chance, Timothy Bridges, Cristin Adams, Candice Adams. Second Row: Marcia Hocutt, Anthony Johnson, Adrienne Lane, Jason McCray, Cleveron Powell, Margie Sanders, Nikiya Smith, Tierra Taylor, Demetria Truesdale, Jayme Wells. Third Row: Connie Watson, program coordinator; Brenda High Sanders, director; Lisa Copeland, dietary assistant; Vanessa Roberson-Spence, 4-year-old teacher; Kathy Harris-Johnson, four-year-old assistant; Maria M. Hunter, secretary.



A TELLING POINT—Sam Fullwood, political editor, Atlanta Journal and Constitution, seated right, in left photo, tells an audience of college and university public relations officials that studying the media is important to the public relations efforts of their schools. Other panelists in this workshop on "Working with the Media" are W.A. Scott, III, director of advertising and public relations, Atlanta Daily World, seated at left; and Thomas A. Johnson, president of the New York City-based public relations firm Thomas A. Johnson Associates. Other

panelists were Sandra Gregg, southeast bureau chief, U.S. News and World Report, and Steen Miles, managing editor, WXIA-TV. Sponsored by Philip Morris Companies, Inc., the seminar brought 30 public relations officials from historically black colleges and universities to the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Atlanta for the two-day meeting. Four of the public relations practitioners, in photograph at right, listen attentively during workshop on "Back to Basics" that stressed basic public relations fundamentals. Participants came from both public and private historically black colleges and universities in 11 states.



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