Events of Chattanooga Wedding Services



CHATTANOOGA ELOPEMENTS & COURTHOUSE CEREMONIES





Elopements of Chattanooga

Welcome to Events Chattanooga, we're Chattanooga, Tennessee Number one trusted resource in the wedding business. It's all about the details, integrity and communication! Our specialty is Elopements and we're glad you're considering us for yours. Please if you have any questions, please feel free to give us a call. We're here for you!

Services for your Ceremony

- All ceremonies are non-denominational and are written beautifully for a day to remember for the rest of your lives. If you have religious preferences, in some cases we may be able to offer a referral.
- We can write custom ceremonies: There is a \$75.00 Service Charge (Not available for same day services)
- Vows we have custom standard vows we use or you may write your own. Just let us know.
- If you elect, we can arrange full ceremony at a venue and even plan a reception for you -Ask for details.

What's included?

- Phone consultation prior to the ceremony and a call the morning of the ceremony.
- · Legal binding Ceremony.
- All documents endorsed and filled by us. usually takes 7-10 business days to receive your marriage licenses from the county clerk's office.

Location for Elopement

The location is up to the couple. Some couples love to do their elopements at the courthouse, public park or other locations. When you call, please be sure to let us know where you plan on having your ceremony. In this information package we have listed a few recommendations. Keep in mind as well, if you choose a park or outdoor venue, have a back up weather plan!

Scheduling Your Elopement

We do offer same day services in many cases. When possible we recommended that you make an appointment by calling our office but, not required.

Marriage Licenses

Couples will provide their marriage licenses to us prior to the ceremony. Marriage Licenses can be obtained from you local County Clerk's office. Keep in mind, some rules and Policies may vary from county to county - so check with your local County Clerk's office prior to arriving.

Hamilton County Marriage Licenses

The Hamilton County Clerk's office issues marriage licenses for couples in Chattanooga. Both applicants need to appear in person to submit the marriage license application. The Hamilton County Clerk's office can be found in Room 201 at 625 Georgia Avenue in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The County Clerk's office phone number is (423) 209-6500. Couples can apply for a marriage license at the office from Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The office is closed on holidays. Marriage license requirements and other information can be found online at the Hamilton County Clerk's office official website

Both applicants must be single and at least 18 years of age in order to receive a marriage license in Chattanooga, Tennessee without parental consent. When couples go to apply for a marriage license at the Hamilton County Clerk's office, they will be asked to present a valid form of photo I.D. such as a driver's license or state or military photo I.D. The marriage license fee in Chattanooga is \$102.50, or \$40.00 if the couple has completed at least four hours of pre-marital counseling. This fee is separate from your ceremony fee, this is payable to the County Clerks office.

Payments We Accept

We accept all major credit cards (3% fee applies when using credit card) Cashier Checks or Cash. Payments will be processed before the ceremony.

What Do I Wear To My Elopement?

Remember, this is your ceremony – it should reflect who the two of you are – so dress how you please. The minster (officiant) will be dress business casual, unless we're informed this is a formal ceremony. We've married couples in shorts and T's or dresses § ties - remember this is about the two of you – so come as you're comfortable.

Do we need Wedding Rings?

Wedding rings are not required, they are tradition but many couples elect not to exchange rings – It's really up to the couple!

Elopement Recommendations

These are recommendations for couples looking for an intimate ceremony, jus the two of you: without accumulating additional cost.

(Locations with *next to the locations have some kind of shelter (roof building)

Sunset Rock
Coolidge Park
*Heritage Park
Hamilton County Court House
Court Yard @ the Prince's Home
Hamilton County Court House
(Courtyard - no one is allowed to get married inside the court houses)

If you would like to do a more formal venue, we can make all those arrangements for you, just contact our office and we'll start preparing a quote for you.

After Your Wedding — Next Steps!

After We're Married, What do We Do Next?

If you choose to change your last name, start the process soon after you're married. Here's how:

- 1. Use your original marriage certificate (not a photocopy) to apply for a new Social Security card. Although your Social Security number will remain the same, a new card will be issued with your new name.
- 2. Bring your new Social Security card to your local Department of Motor Vehicles to apply for a new driver's license (or state identification card).
- 3. Once you're issued your new ID, update your bank accounts with your new name. Your bank will explain the process of getting new checks and debit cards.

Be sure to complete your name change *before* you and your spouse file for tax returns so that your legal name matches the Social Security office records.

update marital status

Once your name is legally changed, update your new name and marital status with organizations including:

- · You and your spouse's employers
- Your insurance company
- The Internal Revenue Service (at tax time)
- Credit card companies
- Student loan províders
- The passport office
- Medical providers
- utilities
- Voter registration
- Post office

In addition to checking off items on the after-marriage checklist, make sure you're protected as a couple with the right insurance. about how Nationwide can help meet the needs of newly married couples.