

BRANDON & SAMANTHA'S CEREMONY

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Please rise.

Who presents this woman for marriage?

You may be seated.

Prince sang, "Dearly beloved / We are gathered here today / to get through this thing called life / Electric word life / It means forever and that's a mighty long time."

On the other hand, LMFAO—and let us not forget Lil Jon—sang, "Patron's on the rocks, and I'm ready for some shots." Samantha and Brandon are going to get things started today with a "unity shot." It's much like a unity candle except that in this case the fire will be burning in their stomachs instead of on a stick of wax. I think that really shows their dedication to one another. (Combine the shots to one glass...drink the shot)

Samantha and Brandon met in 2009 through a mutual friend. Samantha told me about the first time she saw Brandon—she said, "I couldn't tell what he looked like with his awful baggy jeans and over-sized jacket along with his hat covering his eyebrows. So I totally thought, 'No way!'" About the first time he saw Samantha, Brandon told me, "Although I thought she was cute, she didn't really catch my eye." I believe it was Bob Dylan that sang about a simple twist of fate, wasn't it?

After bumping into each other at two parties, hitting a movie together on a group date, and a string of text messages, this couple finally became. Yes, it was at the California Pizza Kitchen that Bramantha...or was it Samandon...was born.

Together they enjoy riding bikes, walking their fur daughter, going out, and binge watching their fave TV shows. For their honeymoon, they plan to visit Europe, not the Swedish rock band formed in 1979, but Europe, the continent on the other side of the Atlantic Ocean.

And now, Brandon, repeat after me:

I, Brandon, take you, Samantha / to be my lawfully wedded wife / for better or for worse / in sickness and in health / for richer or for poorer / I pledge my honesty / open-ness and faithfulness to you / I will respect you / and honor our relationship above all others.

And Samantha...

I, Samantha, take you, Brandon / to be my lawfully wedded husband / for better or for worse / in sickness and in health / for richer or for poorer / I pledge my honesty / open-ness and faithfulness to you / I will respect you / and honor our relationship above all others.



Now I will ask you to perform a traditional wedding pinky swear.

Brandon, do you promise to love, honor, cherish, and rock with Samantha, upholding the vows you have just made? [I do]

Samantha, do you promise to love, honor, cherish, and rock with Brandon, upholding the vows you have just made? [I do]

Brandon, did you have any special words you wanted to add?

May I have the rings please? At other weddings, they see precious metal. I see “heavy metal.” Metallica sang, “Life is ours--we live it our way.” I'm happy to see the two of you starting out your lives together in your own way...because that's really the only way. And, may this “rock” (Samantha's diamond) remind you to “rock” this marriage.

Brandon, repeat after me:

I give you this rock / as a sign of my love and devotion / May it's “heavy metal” remind us / of our promise to always rock together.

And, now, in the immortal words of Beyonce: “Put a ring on it.” (slide the ring on Samantha's finger)

Samantha, repeat after me.

I give you this ring / as a sign of my love and devotion / May it's “heavy metal” remind us / of our promise to always rock together.

Today, your wedding day, will fly by. It's a day filled with emotion, friends, rings, quotes from Prince, shots, and a million other things. So I want you to take a few seconds to look into each other's eyes. Think about the happiness you are feeling right now—how much fun we're having at this ceremony. Be mindful of how that joy feels in your stomach, in your hands, in your feet.

Now close your eyes and visualize 20 years from now. Where are you? What is happening in your lives? Remember the words of John Lennon, “A dream you dream alone is only a dream. A dream you dream together, that is reality.” And that new reality, what Snoop called “The Next Episode,” starts today.

Now I'd like to have everyone here send their good wishes up to Brandon and Samantha, so what I'm going to need you to do is put both fists up in the air. Now extend your pinky fingers up. And extend your index fingers up. This is called “the rocker.” Now I'm going to say, “Give me an amen.” And you're going to do this and say, “Amen!” (close eyes, shake fists forward... like at a rock concert). OK, you gotta close your eyes when you do it. Why? Because we're at



the Hard Rock Hotel. Because this couple rocks. She's wearing a rock. And because tonight you all are going to raise the roof, am I right? Can I get an "amen"!!!

Brandon and Samantha, now that you have been baptized in rocker goodness and shared a shot, I pronounce you husband and wife. You may kiss the bride!

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Please join us for cocktails on the 11th floor. You may follow Wedding Coordinator Yvanna up there. Dinner and dancing to follow. Thank you.

