



Wording Examples

Prefixes:

Abbreviations can be used for Mr., Mrs., Ms and Dr.

Titles for clergy, judges, and military officers should be written out in full:

Mr. David Smith, Dr. and Mrs. Smith

The Reverend David Smith

Captain David Smith

Second Lieutenant,

United States Navy

(name first, then title, then rank and branch of service)

Suffixes:

Junior is preceded by a comma, and when spelled out

it is not capitalized:

Mr. David Smith, junior

Roman numerals are preceded by a comma: Mr. David Smith, III

Suggestions for wording:

On the attached pages, we've included some basic suggestions for invitation wording. But the actual text is up to you! The wording should reflect your personality and the tone of your event.

Wedding:

Both Parents Inviting:

Mr. and Mrs. David Smith
And
Mr. and Mrs. Steven Peterson
Request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of
their children
Ashley Rose Peterson
and
Charles David Smith
as they happily unite their
hearts and their lives
through marriage on
Saturday, the twenty-third
of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Grace Christian Church
Chicago, Illinois

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Mr. and Mrs. David Smith
and Mr. and Mrs. Steven Peterson
invite you to share
in the joy of the marriage
uniting their children
Ashley Rose Smith
and Charles David Peterson
on Saturday, the twenty-third
of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Grace Christian Church
Chicago, Illinois
Reception to follow

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The families of
David and Laura Smith
and Steven and Deborah Peterson
invite you to join in the celebration of the mar-
riage uniting their children
Ashley Rose and Charles David
Saturday, October 23
at 5:00 p.m.
Grace Christian Church
Chicago, Illinois
Reception Immediately Following Ceremony

With Joyful Hearts,
David and Laura Smith
and
Deborah and Steven Peterson
invite you to
the marriage ceremony
uniting their children
Ashley Rose Peterson
and Charles David Smith
Saturday, the twenty-third
of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Grace Christian Church
Chicago, Illinois

Bride & Groom Inviting:
Please celebrate with us,
Rose Peterson and Charles David Smith,
as we begin our new life together
Saturday, the twenty-third of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Zion Temple
Chicago, Illinois

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Ashley Peterson and Charles Smith
joyfully invite you
to share in their happiness
as they unite in marriage
on Saturday, September 23rd 2006
at 4 o'clock
Hyatt Regency Chicago
151 East Wacker Drive
Chicago, Illinois

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The pleasure of your company is requested
at the marriage of
Ashley Peterson and Charles Smith
on Saturday, October 2, 2007
at 11:30 in the morning
Hyatt Regency Chicago
151 East Wacker Drive,
Chicago, Illinois
Luncheon immediately following
the ceremony

Bride's Parents Inviting:

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Peterson
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Ashley Rose Peterson
to Charles David Smith
Saturday, the twenty-third of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Grace Christian Church
Chicago, Illinois

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Mr. and Mrs. Steven Peterson
invite you to share in the joy
of the marriage uniting their daughter
Ashley Rose Peterson to
Mr. Charles David Smith
Son of Mr. and Mrs. David Smith
Saturday, the twenty-third of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Our Lady Catholic Church
Chicago, Illinois

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Mr. and Mrs. Steven Peterson
request the honor of your presence
at the ceremony at which their daughter
Ashley Rose Peterson
will be united with
Charles David Smith
in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony
Saturday, the twenty-third of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church
200 West Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota

Groom's Parents Inviting:

Mr. and Mrs. David Smith
request the honour
of your presence at the marriage
of Ashley Rose Peterson
to their son
Charles David Smith
Saturday, the twenty-third of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Hope Lutheran Church
Chicago, Illinois

Deceased Parents

Deceased father of groom:

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Peterson
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Ashley Peterson
to Mr Charles Smith
son of Mrs. Laura Smith
and the late Mr. David Smith
on Saturday, the twenty-third of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Grace Church
Chicago, Illinois

Deceased father of bride:

Mrs. Laura Peterson
and the late Mr. Steven Peterson
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Ashley Rose Peterson
to Charles David Smith
son of Mr. & Mrs. David Smith
Saturday, the twenty-third of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Woodland Methodist Church
Chicago, Illinois

Deceased mother of bride:

Mr. Steven Peterson
and the late Mrs Deborah Peterson
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Ashley Rose Peterson
to Charles David Smith
son of Mr. and Mrs. David Smith
Saturday, the twenty-third of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Grace Church
Chicago, Illinois

Divorced Parents Inviting:

Parents of both bride & groom divorced:
Mr. David Smith and Ms. Diane Smith
and Mr. Steven Peterson and Ms. Deborah Wal-
lace
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their children
Ashley Peterson and Charles Smith
on Saturday, the twenty-third of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Grace Christian Church
Chicago, Illinois

Parents of the bride divorced:

Mr. Steven Peterson
And
Mrs. Deborah Wallace
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Ashley Rose Peterson
to Mr. Charles David Smith
Saturday, the twenty-third of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Grace Church
Chicago, Illinois

Divorced father of the bride inviting:

Mr. David Smith
requests the honour of your presence
at the marriage of his daughter
Ashley Rose Peterson
to Charles David Smith
on Saturday, the twenty-third of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Grace Church
Chicago, Illinois

Divorced mother of the bride inviting:

Ms. Deborah Peterson
requests the honour of your presence
at the marriage of her daughter
Ashley Rose Peterson
to Charles David Smith
on October 23rd
at six o'clock in the evening
Grace Church
Chicago, Illinois

Religious Invitation:

Ashley Peterson
and Charles Smith
request the honour of your presence
as God unites them to become one
Saturday, the twenty-third of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Zion Temple
Chicago, Illinois
Reception immediately following

Love comes from God-1 John 4:7
Mr. and Mrs. John Peterson
requests the honor of your presence
at the marriage of her daughter
Ashley Rose Peterson
to Charles David Smith
son of Mr. and Mrs David Smith
on Saturday, the twenty-third of October
Two thousand and six
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Grace Christian Church
Chicago, Illinois

Destination Wedding:

Ashley Peterson and Charles Smith
invite you to join them
as they begin their married life together
on Saturday, the twenty-third of October
two thousand and six
White Sands Resort
Ocho Rios, Jamaica

Reception only:

Ashley Rose Peterson
and Charles David Smith
were married on October 1st, 2007
at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel
Waikiki, Hawaii
You are invited to attend
a Reception celebrating their marriage
on October 12th, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.
Hyatt Regency Minneapolis
Minneapolis, Minnesota

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Ashley Rose Peterson
and Charles David Smith
were united in marriage
on September 1, 2008
in Vaxjo, Sweden
Please celebrate
at a Reception on October 12, 2010
at 5:30 p.m.
The University Club
Saint Paul, Minnesota

Informal Wedding:

Please join us
as Ashley Peterson
and Charles Smith
Come together in Marriage
October 21, 2010 at 2:00 pm
Hyatt Regency Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

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We're getting married!
You're invited to attend our special day
On Saturday, October 17, 2010 at 11 a.m.
Grant Park
Chicago, Illinois
Ashley Peterson and Charles Smith

Second Marriage:

Ashley Rose Peterson and Charles David Smith
request the honor of your presence
at their marriage on Saturday, October 23, 2006
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Grace Church
Chicago, Illinois

Save The Date:

Save Our Special Day!
Please hold the date of
May 25, 2009
for the wedding of
Ashley Rose Peterson
and Charles David Smith
Formal Invitation to follow

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Save The Date!
Please reserve the date of
April 19, 2009
For our Wedding
Invitation and Details to Follow
Ashley Peterson and Charles Smith

Reaffirming Vows:

The honor of your presence is requested
as we reaffirm our vows
of love and commitment
and celebrate 50 years of marriage
Saturday, July Sixteenth
Two thousand and ten
at seven o'clock in the evening
Dinner immediately following the ceremony
Hyatt Regency
Chicago, Illinois
Doris and John Williams

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The honor of your presence is requested at the reaffirmation of the wedding vows of Mr. and Mrs. John Williams on Saturday, the twenty-third of October Two thousand and six at four o'clock in the afternoon Grace Church Chicago, Illinois

grandparents in attendance, guest book attendants, musicians, personal attendants, etc.

Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. John Howard request the pleasure of your company at a dinner to celebrate their 25th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, the first of April Two Thousand and ten at seven o'clock in the evening Oakwood Country Club

Reply Card Wording:

Please respond by May 10, 2010

M _____
_____ We'd be delighted to attend!
_____ We regret to decline.

M _____

_____ Will be attending
_____ Regretfully decline

respond by June 5, 2010

Share Ashley and Charles' special day. Please respond by June 5, 2010

M _____
_____ We will be there to celebrate with you!
_____ We can't attend, but will keep her in our prayers.

Program Wording:

The Marriage Ceremony Uniting Ashley Rose Peterson and Charles David Smith Saturday, the twenty-third of October Two thousand and six Grace Christian Church Chicago, Illinois

Inside the program, on the right, lists the order of the service, including the prelude, processional and recessional music, prayers, musical selections, vows, candle lighting, etc.

The inside left of the program typically lists the members of the wedding party, parents and

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Please join the family of Dr. and Mrs. John Howard as we celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, the first of April Two Thousand and ten at two o'clock in the afternoon at Oakwood Country Club

New Baby:

It is with love and joy That Jason and Emily Smith And big brother Noah Welcome Emily Louise To our family Born August 3, 2010 7:35 am 8 pounds 4 ounces

Twins:

Ashley and Charles Smith are pleased to announce the arrival of their twins born August 3, 2010 Michael David born at 1:35 p.m. 5 pounds 2 ounces and Jacob Howard born at 1:38 5 pounds 6 ounces

Adoption:

Ashley and Charles Smith
are pleased to announce
the arrival of
Michael David
Born April 3, 2010
and adopted as their son
December 4, 2010

Child's Birthday Party:

Come and celebrate
Emily Smith's 5th Birthday!
August 3, 2015
Como Park Zoo

Adult's Birthday Party:

Please join us
as we celebrate the fortieth birthday
of Paul Smith
July 15, 2010
At Hilton Towers
San Diego

Graduation:

Michael David Smith
is Graduating!
help us celebrate at
An open house in his honor!
June 2, 6-10 p.m.
1214 Fryer Road
Mill City

Baptism/ Dedication:

Please join us
as we dedicate our son to God
Michael David Smith
July 2, 2011
at ten o'clock in the morning
Grace Christian Church
Chicago, Illinois
Brunch following the service
at our home

Confirmation:

It is with joy
we celebrate with
Emily Louise
as she affirms her baptism
July 2, 2011
at ten o'clock in the morning
Grace Church
Chicago, Illinois
Brunch following the service
at our home
12254 75th Street
Milwaukee, Wisconsin