



Together Forever. . .

Saturday, September 9, 2000

7:00 pm Guest Arrival
7:10 pm Champagne Toast
8:20 pm Cake Cutting

It was the fall of 1991 when Kimberly and Randy first met. She was living in a house by the University of Minnesota with Randy's friend Chris. Randy's first impression of Kimberly was that she was a quiet, reserved, mindful book worm. Kimberly's impression of her future husband was he seemed very intelligent. These were simple beginnings for two people destined to be together forever.

It was not until 1995 that they would see each other again, and once more, Chris was the link that brought them together. It was a surprise going away party for Chris. He was about to leave for Officer Training in the Navy. Kimberly immediately sought out Randy at the party because he was the only familiar face. The problem was that although Randy remembered Kimberly, he did not recognize her. No longer was she the mindful book-worm. This time she was a beautiful woman. Randy had always heard Chris refer to her as "Kim" and this time she introduced herself as Kimberly. He could not make the connection.

It did not take long for Randy to realize that this was the old roommate, and soon they were deep in conversation. That would have been end of the story, since Kimberly made an early exit—she had a date that night. However, in order to keep in touch with their friend, Chris, she needed his new address in the Navy. For this, she simply called Randy on the phone.

What started as a simple phone call turned into three hours of meaningful discussion. Before long, they were meeting on a weekly basis at coffee shops all over the Twin Cities. This became their ritual. Every Tuesday night they met at a different location and had discussion, played Scrabble, and slowly developed the kind of true friendship that keeps getting better.

Even as Tuesdays became two days and three days, they continued to insist that it truly was just friendship. There was obviously something more meaningful, when at a singles wine-tasting they made a pact to actually date each other, if within two years neither of them found true love. That two year deadline was cut short one fateful night.

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On April 27, 1997, Kimberly took a chance at First Avenue. They were both concluding an afternoon at the Minneapolis

Art Crawl and decided to go dancing. While taking a break for a glass of water, Kimberly reached over and planted a kiss upon Randy's lips and he reciprocated. Something changed in her mind at that moment she decided to make her move. Surprised, Randy immediately reverted to friends and scolded her for crossing the friendship line.

Over the course of the next several years, freindship transitioned into true love, and the bonds that they shared as such incredible friends only deepened. The bonds of friendship became vows of marriage as they pledged to stay together forever.

Thank you all for coming!