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When I Fall In Love

Weddings, and the festivities that surround them, are **the most exciting times** to share with those who are most important **in our lives**. No matter what the world looks like, there will always be **love to celebrate**. Join us as we proudly present some of the **most glorious weddings** of the season to inspire you.

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Mallory Fuller, Mike and Jina Fuller, Madison and Drew Evans, Morgan and Daniel Wood & Baker Wood



Madison Evans and Mike Fuller



Madison Evans' great grandfather's bible

WHEN MADISON FULLER WALKED down the aisle to wed Drew Evans, she was accustomed to the spotlight after being chosen Miss Texas America in 2018. Texas natives Madison, the daughter of Jina and Mike Fuller of Fairfield, Texas, and Drew Evans, the son of Paula and Greg Evans of Tyler, Texas, married after a nine-month engagement. Madison's dream of becoming Miss Texas America was an important part of the couple's time together, as well as their shared spiritual convictions. "He is the funniest, most caring, and loyal person I've ever known. He loves deeply," shared Madison Fuller Evans.

The clever groom popped the question with an unconventional plan. After a courtship of five years, Drew thought there was probably no way to truly surprise Madison, so instead, he left a note on her kitchen counter the morning of the proposal...and he made visits to her job as a kindergarten teacher throughout the day. Their family and friends continued the surprise all day long with coffee, flowers, lunch, and more special deliveries. That afternoon, Madison's sisters picked her up to get their nails done, and when she arrived home, there was a dress to wear lying on her bed. A couple of hours later, Drew had his two best friends drive her out to the picturesque Kiepersol Vineyard in East Texas, where they met at the beautiful setting where he proposed. Then, the surprise continued with all the couple's favorite people gathering for an after party.

The couple, both graduates of Texas A&M University, were married months before in a private ceremony with only family attending due to COVID-19. They proceeded to celebrate on a grander scale months afterward, where their festivities began with a rehearsal dinner at The Grove. The following day at Villa Di Felicita, the wedding was held, dazzling in shades of blush, ivory, and white designed by Ricardo Tomas Weddings' event team. The bride wore a gown by Winnie Couture while carrying a beautiful bouquet. The floral designs that were abundant at the venue were created by La Tee Da Flowers.

The bride and groom shared communion during the ceremony officiated by Pastor Ken Pruitt. The bible used in their first wedding, which had previously occurred, was gifted to the couple to use in both of their wedding ceremonies. Madison's bridesmaids included seven of her Miss America sisters who traveled from around the globe: Ashley Baldwin, Natalie Clopton, Courtney Cobia, Avery Covington, Haley Fenley, Meagan Mayo, Abby Ortiz, Anjelica Quisenberry, Morgan Roper, and Tianna Vanderhei. The bride's sister, Mallory Fuller, was the maid of honor, while Morgan Wood served as the matron of honor. Drew's best men were Jimmy Negem and Keaton Yeatts. His attendants were Rob Fenley, Jacob Frazier, Phillip McKinney, Sam Morey, Nick Negem, Garrett Pillsbury, Nick Roman, Jared Stewart, Hunter Stinson, and Daniel Wood.



Rob Fenley, Nick Negem, Phillip McKinney, Garrett Pillsbury, Hunter Stinson, Jimmy Negem, Drew Evans, Keaton Yeatts, Daniel Wood, Jacob Frazier, Jared Stewart, Sam Morey and Nick Roman



Pastor Ken Pruitt with Drew and Madison Evans



Madison Evans and Jina Fuller



Madison Evans and Jina Fuller



Greg and Paula Evans, Drew and Madison Evans & Haley and Rob Fenley



Madison Evans and Mike Fuller



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Villa Di Felicita, Tyler Texas



Tianna Vanderhei, Davia Bunch, Asya Branch, Madison Evans, Kayla Repasky, Callie Walker, Julia Crane and Ashley Baldwin



Drew Evans and Paula Evans' special first dance

Afterward, the reception, also held at Villa Di Felicita, commenced with signature margaritas followed by an authentic Mexican buffet supper. The strawberry wedding cake with buttercream icing, was created by The Village Baker. During dancing provided by the music from CMB DJs, the groom and his mother provided more entertainment with a choreographed dance they created, matching their outgoing personalities to the guests' delight. At the end of the night's revelry, the Aggie war hymn was chanted, and a colorful fireworks show ignited the evening's moonlit sky.

The bride, a teacher with the Tyler Independent School District, and the groom, who works at Edward Jones Financial Planning, permanently reside in Tyler. They plan a honeymoon to Jamaica that will occur later in 2021. "Being able to celebrate with so many special friends and family during such a difficult year was such a blessing," confides Madison Fuller Evans. 🍷



Groom's cake



Paula Evans and guests

