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*Imagine capturing your special day on video.
Memories will fade with time and pictures only
tell half the story, but a video brings your
memories to life again and again....*

Wedding Planning Tips for Video

The popularity of wedding videos has increased over the last several years and so has the challenges of capturing that special day. Here are some hints for helping you plan your day for video.

Always ensure that it is permissible to video tape during a ceremony. Nothing is more heart breaking than to find out the night before that the videographer is banished to the nosebleed section in the back corner of the building.

The groom will be wearing a wireless microphone that is virtually unnoticed and will pick up his voice as well the bride. There will be additional mics used to pick up any music or vocalists. If the church has a sound system, ask if we can tap into the system to pick up any microphones used by the wedding official.

The best set-up for video taping the ceremony is with two cameras on the side of the church and a stationary camera in the back. If this is not possible consider a camera in back and one in front of the bride and groom such as a choir loft area.

If a Unity Candle will be lit, make sure that it is visible to your guests and the videographer. Many times the candle will be in front of your attendants and they will obstruct you from view.

If the church or chapel is well lighted, the video will have good quality. When the location is very dark and has only artificial lighting, make sure that you provide adequate lighting to help the video look its best. Always think that lighting is a videographers best friend.

Video taping the receiving line can be a nightmare for the videographer. Consider the bride and groom returning and dismissing the guests row by row after the ceremony. With this in mind, precious comments and video moments can be captured with your guests.

Allow time after the ceremony to capture additional video footage and digital photos of the bridal party and family.

Ensure that the events coordinator for both the ceremony and reception speak to the videographer. If possible, write a script with the order of events and provide copies to all the professionals involved in your special day.