

Mansfield - Maher

Elegant Spring Wedding in the South



They met in a New York minute, but Georgia was on her mind when Meghan Lucille Mansfield married Matthew Quinn Maher on April 25, 2015, at Cathedral of Christ the King in Atlanta.

“While I’ve lived in New York City for 11 years now, I remain a southern girl at heart and I had always dreamed that if I ever got married it would be in Atlanta, which I still consider my home,” Meghan Maher said. “I wanted our wedding to be an elegant, formal affair but be very fun and comfortable for all, with touches of the South throughout, and ultimately a big party!”

Indeed, from the Friday night rehearsal dinner at Magnolia Hall with a BBQ bash for 100-plus to the sweet departure brunch on Sunday, it was a fantastic weekend with family and

friends. The Rev. John Howrend officiated the traditional Catholic ceremony, with 140 guests in attendance. The bride was stunning in a custom strapless gown of Chantilly lace and organza by the Wedding Salon of Manhasset in New York.

The celebration culminated with a dazzling reception at Four Seasons Atlanta, featuring a cocktail hour with passed hors d’oeuvres, followed by a seated four-course dinner and dancing in the ballroom, with music by The Rupert’s Orchestra. “It was an unforgettable evening,” she said. “We danced the night away.”

The couple’s fairy-tale courtship was sparked by some serious matchmaking magic: the mother of the bride tracked down her daughter’s Prince Charming in cyberspace. “Yes, Mother knows best,” quipped Meghan, the daughter of Ronald and Sallyann Mansfield of Alpharetta. “I was lucky to meet the man of my dreams.”

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The five-tier wedding cake by Four Seasons Atlanta was detailed to mimic the lace appliques on the bridal gown. The silver cake knife was borrowed from Meghan's parents, who received it as a wedding gift 40 years ago.



A Vanderbilt University graduate who works in the New York offices of Barclays as an investment banker, Meghan didn't have much time to invest in dating websites, so she asked her mom for assistance in finding an online match. Within a couple of months, Meghan was having dinner with her future husband. By the following year, they were engaged.

Matthew took it all in stride, after finding out about the covert arrangements on their fifth date. "I'm happy she outsourced the activity," he told *The New York Times* in a story that was published about their wedding.



Meghan, pictured with her grandmother and mother, sang the praises of Rodica Lazarian of Couture Bridal Design, who served as the wedding day wardrobe coordinator and also designed the pink gown worn by her mother.



A graduate of Bucknell University who served as a captain in the U.S. Army, Matthew is employed in the New York offices of Mitsui & Company, where he specializes in investments and business development. He is the son of Linda Maher of Montville, New Jersey, and the late Peter Maher.

The newlyweds enjoyed a “minimoon” at the Viceroy resort in Anguilla in the British West Indies. This summer, they took a two-week honeymoon to the Greek islands of Mykonos, Naxos and Santorini. They reside in Manhattan, New York City.

