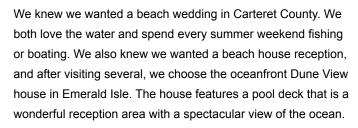


say "Yes!" Afterwards, we sat down and watched the sun set. The entire

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afternoon was beautiful.





The week of our wedding, we watched the weather. Rain was forecast, and I was nervous. It poured the night before our wedding during our rehearsal dinner. Fortunately, when I woke up on wedding day the rain had stopped and there were a few breaks in the clouds. About twenty minutes before our beach ceremony began, the clouds parted and the sun came out. Maybe it was my father trying to tell me he was watching and making sure it went perfectly.

We chose a sand ceremony to signify two separate lives joining together as one. To remember my dad, Serge Mason, we had a bouquet of sunflowers (his favorite) placed on the ceremony table. I also added a short poem to the program in his memory.



























After we finished taking our photos, we were introduced pool side and our three catering stations opened. Ours was a longer reception, so we opted for a Late Night Menu of passed heavy hor d'oeuvres. It was a fun concept and ensured that the guests who wanted to stay well into the night didn't go hungry.

We loved our cake topper. Joe has a black lab, I have a miniature dachshund, and we wanted to incorporate our hounds into our cake design. Our cake designer found two miniature dog figurines and glued them into beach chairs with our names stencilled on them.

At the end of the evening, the maid of honor, bridesmaid, groomsmen, and Joe jumped into the pool. It was a lot of fun to watch, but I wasn't going to participate no matter how much they begged me. Unfortunately (or fortunately), it began to rain so we moved the dance floor inside, and I escaped a soaking in the pool.

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