

Amethyst Engagements

Unforgettable Ceremonies



Ordained by the Church of Spiritual Humanism, I am legally authorized to solemnize marriages. I can work with you to design the perfect ceremony, be it a wedding, vow renewal, or any other occasion.

ALL Ceremony Packages Include

- ♥ Unlimited telephone meetings.
- ♥ Unlimited e-mail communication.
- ♥ For a wedding, information on obtaining a marriage license from the county where the ceremony will be held.
- ♥ For a wedding, information for the bride on changing her name, including links and forms.
- ♥ For a wedding, the “lucky sixpence for [her] shoe,” in a keepsake pouch, if the bride is following the tradition of “something old, something new....”
- ♥ Officiating at the ceremony and—when appropriate—pronouncing you “husband and wife.”
- ♥ A personalized keepsake binder containing the final copy of your ceremony.
- ♥ A frameable Certificate appropriate to the ceremony: Certificate of Marriage, Certificate of Family, if children are involved, etc.
- ♥ Copies of any photos I might take.
- ♥ For a wedding, signing your marriage license, e-mailing you a scanned copy of the signed license, and then sending the signed license to the appropriate county clerk via FedEx Ground. The envelope will be tracked every step of the way, and I’ll provide you with a tracking number.
- ♥ **Peace of Mind Guarantee:** Having seen frantic requests from couples whose Officiant at the last minute became unavailable due to an accident, family emergency, etc., I offer you a unique benefit: a peace-of-mind guarantee. If I am unable to officiate at your ceremony due to circumstances beyond my control (such as illness, etc.), at NO additional cost I will provide an Officiant to stand in my stead, using the ceremony we’ve written together. I have a network of qualified Officiants from whom to draw. In the unlikely event I am unable to provide a substitute Officiant, I will return ALL monies paid, including the non-refundable \$100 deposit, AND I will pay you a penalty fee toward any extra cost you might incur for a last-minute replacement. If my total fee is under \$400, the penalty fee will be \$50; if my fee is \$400 or higher, the penalty fee will be \$100. For the record, I have never been unable to officiate at a scheduled ceremony; I just want you to know I have all the bases covered in order to ensure a smooth day for you, no matter what!

Important Notes

- ♥ **Meeting to Assess Compatibility:** I would be pleased to offer you the opportunity to sit down face-to-face so you can decide if I am the Officiant to whom you want to entrust your ceremony. If the meeting is within 10 miles of Wrigley Field in Chicago, there will be no charge. I'm more than willing to meet at any location within 50 miles of Wrigley Field that's convenient to you; however, there will be a non-refundable travel charge, payable in cash at the meeting, based upon the distance from Wrigley Field: (i) **\$25** if 11–30 miles from Wrigley Field; (ii) **\$35** if 30-40 miles; (iii) **\$40** if 41–50 miles. If we reach an agreement, the travel charge will apply toward your non-refundable deposit and may be included in your deposit check. **Note:** The in-person meeting does **NOT** apply to the Ivy or Lavender Packages.
- ♥ **Mileage:** Mileage is calculated using MapQuest (www.mapquest.com).
- ♥ **Deposit:** In order for me to hold your ceremony date on my calendar, a nonrefundable \$100 deposit is required.
- ♥ **Special Circumstances:** If my fees are prohibitive due to special circumstances in your life, please feel free to talk to me. I'm sure we can agree on a fee you can afford that will be fair to me.
- ♥ **Available to Travel Worldwide:** I have travelled to perform weddings in Indiana, Wisconsin, Florida, Iowa, and Krakow, Poland. For the cost of my transportation and lodging, I am willing travel to your ceremony site, worldwide. The fee for my services, beyond travel and lodging, will be discussed on a case-by-case basis.
- ♥ **Special Offers:** (a) As my personal thanks to you for serving and protecting, if one or both of you are active duty military, police officers, firefighters, or EMS personnel, I'll offer you a discount. On the Ivy and Lavender Packages, the discount will be \$50; on the Iris, Orange Blossom, and Orchid Packages, the discount will be \$100. (b) As my commitment to equal rights, and my belief that love should always be encouraged, if you are a same-sex couple planning a commitment ceremony or a legal wedding in an appropriate jurisdiction, you may choose to receive either a \$50 discount or my \$25 donation in your name to Equality Illinois. **Note:** Only one special offer per ceremony may apply.

Ceremony Packages



Ivy
Represents
wedded love

Ivy Package

\$200 without rehearsal; **\$275** with rehearsal

- ♥ I will provide a simple, non-customized, ceremony; you may choose from three options: secular, secular with a few prayers, or religious/spiritual. **Note:** An in-person meeting is **NOT** included in this Package.
- ♥ Travel to the ceremony location within 25 miles of Wrigley Field in Chicago is included. If the ceremony is further away, additional charges will apply and will be quoted in advance.



Lavender
Represents
devotion and
love

Lavender Package

\$300 without rehearsal; **\$375** with rehearsal

- ♥ Based on our phone conversation and e-mails, I will design a simple ceremony for your review and approval. **Note:** An in-person meeting is **NOT** included in this Package.
- ♥ Travel to the ceremony location within 25 miles of Wrigley Field in Chicago is included. If the ceremony is further away, additional charges will apply and will be quoted in advance.



Iris
Represents
wisdom and valor,
faith, promise in
love, hope

Iris Package

\$425 without rehearsal; **\$525** with rehearsal

- ♥ One in-person meeting is included, at a location no further than 10 miles from Wrigley Field in Chicago, to design and plan the ceremony.
- ♥ You'll have options to choose from with regard to ceremony language and rituals, and we'll work together to finalize the ceremony.
- ♥ The ceremony location must be within 30 miles of Wrigley Field in Chicago.



Orange Blossoms
represent
refinement,
beauty, love

Orange Blossom Package

\$525 without rehearsal; **\$625** with rehearsal

- ♥ Two in-person meetings are included, at a location no further than 25 miles from Wrigley Field in Chicago, to design and plan the ceremony.
- ♥ You'll have options to choose from with regard to ceremony language and rituals, and we'll work together to finalize the ceremony.
- ♥ The ceremony location must be within 40 miles of Wrigley Field in Chicago.



Orchids
represent eternal
love, innocence,
marriage and
fruitfulness

Orchid Package

\$625 without rehearsal; **\$725** with rehearsal

- ♥ Three in-person meetings are included, at a location no further than 40 miles of Wrigley Field in Chicago, to design and plan the ceremony.
- ♥ You'll have options to choose from with regard to ceremony language and rituals, and we'll work together to finalize the ceremony.
- ♥ If the ceremony location is further than 50 miles from Wrigley Field in Chicago, additional charges will apply and will be quoted in advance.

I look forward to working with you as you plan and celebrate your wedding or other special day!

Best regards,

Joanne

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~ Professional ~
~ Passionate ~ Proficient ~

The business card features a purple and white color scheme. At the top, the company name 'Amethyst Engagements' is written in a large, bold, purple serif font. Below it, the tagline 'Unforgettable Ceremonies' is in a smaller, black serif font. To the left of the contact information is a small, square portrait of Joanne C. Gaddy. To the right of the portrait is a purple heart icon. The contact information, including the address, phone numbers, and website, is listed in a black sans-serif font. At the bottom, there are two lines of text: '~ Professional ~' and '~ Passionate ~ Proficient ~', both in a purple sans-serif font.