

Rent a Reverend

Recently, I was at a wedding at an old inn. I knew the couple had no religious background. I tried to find in the program who was performing the ceremony. Maybe it was a Justice of the Peace or a Mayor. It was not listed.

During the reception, I had a chance to speak to the person and I found out that she was a Reverend. I asked her how she knew the couple. She said that the inn referred them to her. I asked which church she was from. She smiled and said that she does not belong to a church. She does weddings, funerals and baby dedications for those who do not have a church. She added that she is kept very busy with over 50 weddings a year. I then asked if she would have contact with the couple after the service and encourage them in spiritual matters. She said, "No, I am just there for the needed occasion."

"Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord have we not prophesied in thy name?
... And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me,
ye that work iniquity." Matt 7: 22,23

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