

Wedding Officiant Service Agreement

Evangelist James Lake ("Brother Lake")

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FEES

Courthouse-style or elopement ceremony (within 20 miles)	\$100
Vow renewal	\$125
Full wedding with custom ceremony	\$175
Ceremonies more than 20 miles away (100-mile maximum)	Travel fee quoted in writing before booking

Overnight stays or extra requests are quoted separately and billed in addition.

Rehearsal and rehearsal dinner attendance are available as an add-on to the ceremony fee, priced depending on time and location.

PAYMENT

- A **50% deposit** is required to book. **The date is not reserved until the deposit is received.**
- Pay by Cash App (\$BrotherLake), PayPal (@BrotherLake), or Venmo (@BrotherLake721).
- The **remaining balance is due within 48 hours after the ceremony.**

THE DEPOSIT IS NON-REFUNDABLE under all circumstances, including cancellation, postponement, or change of date by the client.

This rule applies only to cancellations or changes made by the client. If the officiant cannot attend, see "If the Officiant Cannot Attend" below.

Client initials: _____

SCHEDULING & MARRIAGE LICENSE

- **Daytime ceremonies are standard.** Standard pricing assumes the officiant can leave the venue in time to finish driving before 5:00 PM.
- **Evening ceremonies are available at a negotiated price** that covers round-trip transportation to and from the event, agreed in writing before booking.
- The couple must obtain a valid North Carolina marriage license (or the license for the state where the ceremony takes place) and **give it to the officiant before the ceremony.** The officiant will complete and return the license as required.

IF THE OFFICIANT CANNOT ATTEND

OUR PROMISE TO YOU: FULL REFUND IF I CANNOT ATTEND

If I am unable to show up and perform your ceremony for any reason, I will refund your full deposit and any other payments you have made.

- He will try to find a substitute officiant. The full refund still applies whether or not a substitute is found, **unless the client chooses to accept the substitute.**

CEREMONY DETAILS

Client name(s):

Phone:

Email:

Ceremony date:

Start time:

Venue name:

Venue address:

Ceremony type:

Total fee:

\$

Deposit amount:

\$

Date deposit paid:

Balance due (within 48 hours after ceremony):

\$

PHOTO SHARING (OPTIONAL)

With your permission, Brother Lake may share two photos from your ceremony, one of the couple and one of the ceremony, on his Facebook Page and website. Photos will be posted with first names only (or no names, if you prefer), and any photographer will be credited. You can say no, and it won't affect your ceremony in any way. You can also ask for a photo to be removed at any time.

☐ Yes, you may share two photos

☐ No, please don't share photos

Client initials: _____

SIGNATURES

By signing, we agree to the terms above.

Client signature

Date

Client signature

Date

Officiant: Evangelist James Lake

Date

This agreement is a template; for legal questions consult a North Carolina attorney.