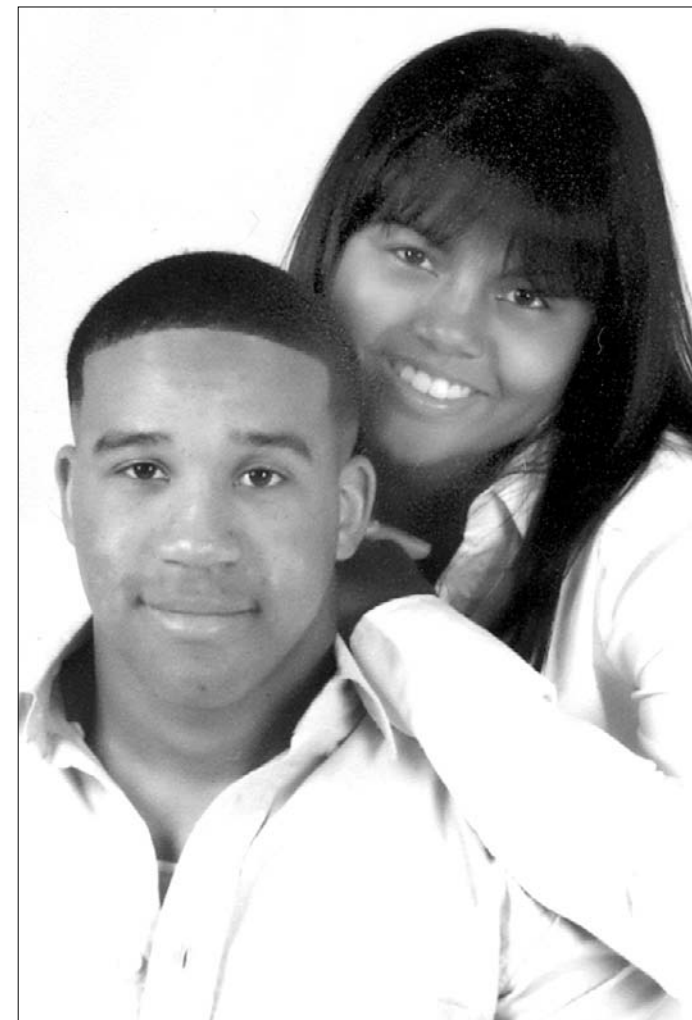


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Mr. Darnell, Miss Damaris

Damaris, Darnell

CAMP LeJEUNE, NC — Daisy Damaris and Cpl. Marcus Darnell are pleased to announce their engagement and forthcoming wedding.

Miss Damaris is the daughter of Sergio and Damaris Garcia of Jacksonville, North Carolina. Mr. Darnell is the son of Ricky and Bobbie Fay Banks of Melvin, Alabama. Mr. Darnell is serving with the U.S. Marines and is stationed at Washington, DC as a logistical analyst.

Miss Damaris is a student at Nova College in Jacksonville, NC.

The wedding will take place on June 16, 2007 at 5:45 p.m. at Marston Pavilion, 730 Seth Williams Blvd., Camp LeJeune, NC.

After the wedding the couple will reside in Alexandria, VA.



Happy Mother's Day!

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Horn and members of the community joined in their annual Mother's Day picnic on Saturday, May 12. Dozens of folks from several states came by to share the great food and fellowship. The Horns have hosted the event at their home in the Pushmataha community for several years.

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Five generations

LISMAN — Mary Jane Loyd, of Lisman, is shown here with five generations of her family, including daughter Carolyn McKnight, granddaughter Bridgett Williams, great-grandchild Kooley, and great-great grandchild Korye.

Railey, Taylor

The wedding of Miss Lauren Ashley Taylor and Mr. Kyle Wesley Railey took place on April 21, 2007, in Destin, Florida. Their sunset beach wedding and reception were celebrated at Henderson Beach State Park along with over 100 close friends and family.

Parents of the couple are Ms. Lisa M. Taylor of Gilberttown and Mr. and Mrs. David R. Taylor of Butler and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Railey of Silas.

The bride is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Maten of Gilberttown and Mr. and Mrs. James S. Taylor of Silas and the late Mrs. Linda W. Taylor. The groom's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ted Stanford of Silas and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Railey of Jacksonville, Florida.

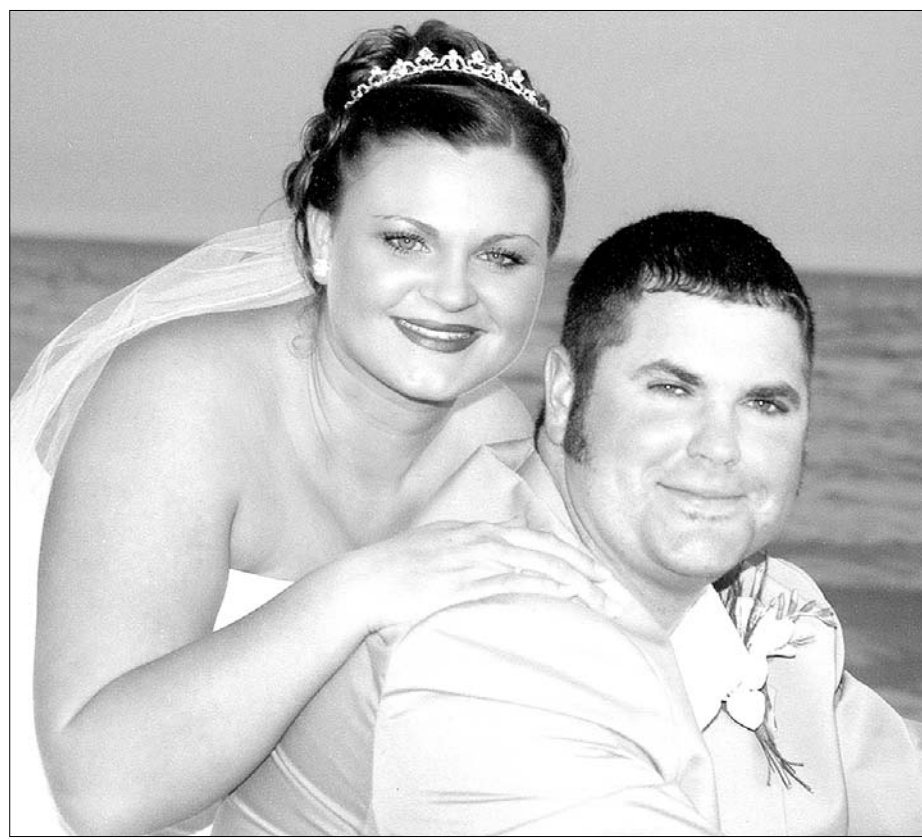
Rev. Michael Cappella performed the double ring ceremony. The beach location was beautifully decorated with an aisle way of ferns, palm fronds, tiki torches, conch shells, and a mixture of tropical flowers. The bride and groom repeated their vows under a tropically floral decorated archway.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a white Maggie Sottero strapless formal gown with a corset back. The bodice featured draped chiffon revealing a sprinkling of crystals accenting the neckline. The circular chiffon skirt with embellishments including glass beads, sequins, and seed beads fell gracefully to the hemline. She wore an alluring crystal and rhinestone headpiece with an aristocratic fleur-de-lis design from which a waist length veil flowed. The bridal bouquet was a hand-tied tropical mixture of lilies, orchids, freesia, mums, gerbera daisies, and ginger tied together with sage ribbon and raffia. Wedding flowers were designed by Mrs. Karen Barefield, cousin of the bride.

Miss Paige Taylor, of Butler, served her sister as maid of honor. Bridal attendants were Miss Cassie Franks, cousin of the bride, of Mobile; Miss Courtney Hutchinson and Miss Emma Hutchinson, cousins of the bride, of Butler; Miss Gaylena Crager of Waynesboro, Mississippi; and Miss Kayla Graben of Mobile.

The bridal attendants wore sage tea-length satin charmeuse and chiffon dresses. Each dress featured a halter neckline with a shirred waist trimmed with a chiffon tie and decorative jeweled pin. They carried a tropical mixed flower hand-tied bouquet which further reflected the floral scheme of the wedding.

Miss Caroline Barefield of Gilberttown and Miss Ally Douglas of Daphne, cousins of the bride, served



Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Wesley Railey ...
.. Mrs. Railey is the former Lauren Ashley Taylor

as flower girls. They wore sleeveless white ankle-length cotton dresses and carried light blue tin sand pails decorated with an assortment of seashells and ribbon.

Mr. Drew Railey of Silas, brother of the groom, performed the duties of best man. Groomsmen were Mr. Steve Scruggs of Auburn; Mr. Brandon Stanford and Mr. Ryan Stanford, cousins of the groom, of Mobile; Mr. Speed Scruggs of Gilberttown; and Mr. Brandon Dunagan of Jackson, Alabama.

The groomsmen wore beige linen beach pants with white Polo button-down shirts.

Master Dawson Taylor, brother of the bride, of Butler and Master Brock Railey, cousin of the groom, of Jacksonville, Florida, served at ring bearers. Dressed as the groomsmen, they carried glass treasure chests trimmed in gold.

As an alternative to the unity candle, the bride and groom chose to celebrate their marriage with a unity sand ceremony. The couple picked up a handful of sand from beneath their feet and poured it into a decorative heart-shaped bottle to symbolize the union of "two into one". The mothers of the bride and groom were also invited to place sand into the bottle. The bottle was then corked, and tradition is that the couple must return to the wedding location each year on their anniversary and add more sand to the bottle.

At the conclusion of the impressive ceremony, Lauren, Kyle, and the guests each took a blessing stone from a basket and repeated a verse together. After the couple was pronounced husband and wife, everyone followed them to the edge of the

water to make a wish or a blessing. Everyone cast the stones into the water at the same time. The ripples that were made represented everyone's paths crossing and bringing love and good wishes not only for the couple, but for anyone that they come in contact with.

Following the ceremony, the bride's parents entertained with a reception at the East Pavilion at Henderson Beach State Park. Guests dined on a cold seafood buffet which included large shrimp with homemade cocktail sauce, Alaskan snow crab leg clusters with drawn butter, hot blue crab dip with bread points, homemade chicken salad with rolls, fresh fruit and vegetable platters, bread bowl spinach dip, pepperoni and mixed cheese platter, antipasto platter, pinwheels, and sweet tea and water.

The bride's table was covered with a white overlay featuring the white three-tiered wedding cake topped with the bride and groom's initials. The groom's cake was a two-tiered chocolate cake featuring chocolate-dipped strawberries. Both cakes were surrounded by a mixture of tropical flowers.

Gifted Entertainment provided music for the reception. As a special surprise for the groom, the bride pre-recorded her singing their first dance song, "I Will Be Here".

On the eve of the wedding, The Lighthouse Restaurant in Destin was the setting for the after rehearsal dinner hosted by the groom's parents for members of the wedding party and out-of-town guests.

After a honeymoon get-away to the mountains of Gatlinburg, the couple is residing in Mobile.

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