



Megan Dee Garcia & Eddie A. Benavidez

March 10, 2018 • Mathis, TX • Engaged for 1 year and 5 months

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Colors: Light pinks, white and champagne glitter accent

Ceremony and reception: Sacred Heart Church and The Reserve at Dancing Elk, 350 Guests

Rehearsal dinner: Nolan's Original Poorboys, 50 Guests

Wedding planner: Events by Aubrey

Photographer:

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Wedding invitations:

Mail Center USA, Invitations, Gifts, and More

Dress: Justin Alexander from Whittington Bridal

Tuxes: Men's Wearhouse

Wedding rings: Jared

Jewelry and accessories: Earrings and bracelet were from Dillard's

Bridesmaid dresses: David's Bridal

Hair and makeup: Endless Styles Salon & Boutique

Flowers: Always in Bloom Florist

Decorations: La De Da Events

Caterer: The Reserve at Dancing Elk

Cake: Simply Elegant By Raymond

Entertainment: Texas Sound Systems (DJ & entertainment) - DJ Lozano

First dance song:

"Perfect" by Ed Sheeran

Father-daughter dance song:

"Because You Loved Me" by Celine Dion

Mother-groom dance song: "Mom "

by Jackson Jones

Getaway vehicle: A black Tahoe from Elegant Limousine

Wedding night lodging: Grooms apartment in San Antonio

Favors: A his and hers koozie

Bridal party gifts: Guys - customized MLB team bottle opener; girls - coral floral robes, earrings, and a customized wine glass.

Registry: Bed Bath & Beyond & Dillards

Honeymoon:

Montego Bay, Jamaica



How we met:

I had the opportunity to meet Eddie through my uncle.

The proposal:

Eddie was coaching at Bowling Green State University. Each year, my parents and family would plan a trip to make sure and attend one of his games. Well this time, they had to plan a trip to Ohio. October 15 versus Toledo University would be the game my family had set to attend. As the days got closer, I was so looking forward to arriving in Ohio. As our flight arrived in Michigan, Eddie had told me that he had made dinner plans for our families that evening. We were on our way to Ohio, when Eddie told me he wanted us to stop by the stadium so he could show us around. Honestly, I did not want to stop by because I was ready to get to the hotel to get dressed for dinner but he was adamant we make a quick stop. As we arrived to the stadium, he was waiting for us and said, "Babe, I have to go to my place to get something, so come with me and we will be right back". He somehow was able to get me to go with him and as we were on our way, he said, "actually I do not need to go to my place, but we are going to go for a joy ride on a plane and get an aerial view of the stadium." I did not for one second believe him. A couple minutes later he was at the Wood County Regional Airport entering the code at the gate. At that moment is when I was thinking, we are actually going on plane ride. As we got on the plane and hit the runway, I was taking pictures left and right. We then began to get up in the air and eventually made our way toward the stadium. Eddie, then said through our headsets, "what does the scoreboard say?" I took a hard look and then turned back to him and said, "what?" and at that time is when he was on one knee and holding a ring box and asking me, "will you marry me?" It caught me totally by surprise because I had no clue this was about to happen, of course I said, "YES." Definitely "A FLIGHT TO REMEMBER" 10.14.16

Favorite detail:

Bride: I would have to say the "LOVE" that was made by my father with some slight help from family. The building of the "LOVE" was a lot of work for my father and I cannot thank him enough. The decorating was accomplished with assistance from family but together we got it done and it definitely allowed for some great family bonding nights. My dad literally went above and beyond in making sure his little girl got what she wanted. Groom: Personally, I

think what made our wedding unique was the few DIY projects we had at our reception hall. My wife and I had the opportunity to go to Board & Brush and make a few decorations, which were hung at the reception. But my favorite detail that topped it off was the "LOVE" that my father-in-law built along with the help of family. It was unbelievable and thanks to our family who assisted in painting and decorating the inside with the beautiful flowers, it was AMAZING!

If you could do one thing over:

Bride: I would definitely have thrown away my timeline. Eddie and I got a little anxious the day of our wedding making sure everything was on time. We literally ate very little of our dinner because we wanted to stay on top of our timeline. My planner, Aubrey, had to finally tell us, "forget the timeline and let me work it all out from here." Once we let Aubrey run the night, both of us were relaxed the rest of the evening and our planner took full control. Groom: I would have taken more pictures with our family and friends. We made sure to thank everyone who attended, but pictures are memories that last forever.

One piece of advice:

Bride: Make decisions together! There were moments Eddie gave some really good advice on things I was undecided about. He helped with making all our appointments fun but also helped me to stay relaxed. Those times together, I will forever be thankful for, that he was always by my side. Groom: Embrace the planning process together. Always stay by your future bride side and assist throughout the whole planning process and make sure and do not stress or argue over the little details. On your wedding day, live in the



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