

The Community Post Celebrations

Couple united in August ceremony

Kendra Maureen Sommer and Lee Allen Kuenning were united in marriage at St. Augustine Church in Minster, Aug. 21, 2004. Kendra is the daughter of Ken and Sarah Sommer of Minster and her husband is the son of Scott and Linda Kuenning of New Bremen.

The Rev. Louis Schmitz presided at the wedding mass. Organist was Amy Noykos, vocalists were Diane and Betsy Kamin and Amy Noykos. Trumpeters were Larry Coppess and David Christiansen.

Escorted down the aisle by her father, the bride chose a designer gown by Venus. The ivory organza A-line gown featured a ruched organza overlay on the bodice with a basque waistline. The skirt was accented by an asymmetrical wrap to the hip adorned with an organza flower. The back featured covered buttons from the top of the bodice down through the chapel train. The bride chose to wear a Swarovski crystal

and pearl tiara with her mother's chapel length veil. The bride also wore an heirloom necklace, a gift to her from the groom's grandmother. She carried clutch style bouquet of green and white cymbidium orchids, accented with green dendrobium orchids and white hydrangea, hand tied with ivory organza ribbon. The carried a handkerchief that was her bonnet at baptism.

Heather Kuenning, sister-in-law of the groom, served as matron of honor. Kelli Sommer, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were: Angela Sextro and Renee Guschung, friends of the bride, and Sara Topp, friend of the couple.

The attendants wore strapless A-line brown satin gowns with belting that crisscrossed in front and tied in the back. The honor attendants carried clutch style bouquets of green hydrangea, green cymbidium orchids and white alstromeria. All the

attendants carried antique handkerchiefs with their bouquets, a gift from the bride's mother.

Greg Kuenning, brother of the groom, served as best man. Groomsmen were: Andy and Rob Kuenning, brothers of the groom, Matthew Sommer, brother of the bride, and Craig Topp, friend of the couple. Jeffrey Kuenning, brother of the groom, was ring bearer.

The groomsmen wore classic black, three-button tuxedos by Ralph Lauren. Pleated ivory wing-tip shirts and champagne, pinstriped vests with matching bow ties completed the look. The groom chose an ivory vest and how tie to complement the bride's gown. The groom wore his great-grandfather's ring, previously worn by his father and brother on their wedding days.

The mother of the bride chose an A-line, sapphire silk gown with an organza jacket accented with a rhinestone clasp. The groom's mother wore a

vintage look, two-piece ivory lace dress. The bodice was accented with ivory pearl buttons. The mothers were honored with white cymbidium orchid wristlets.

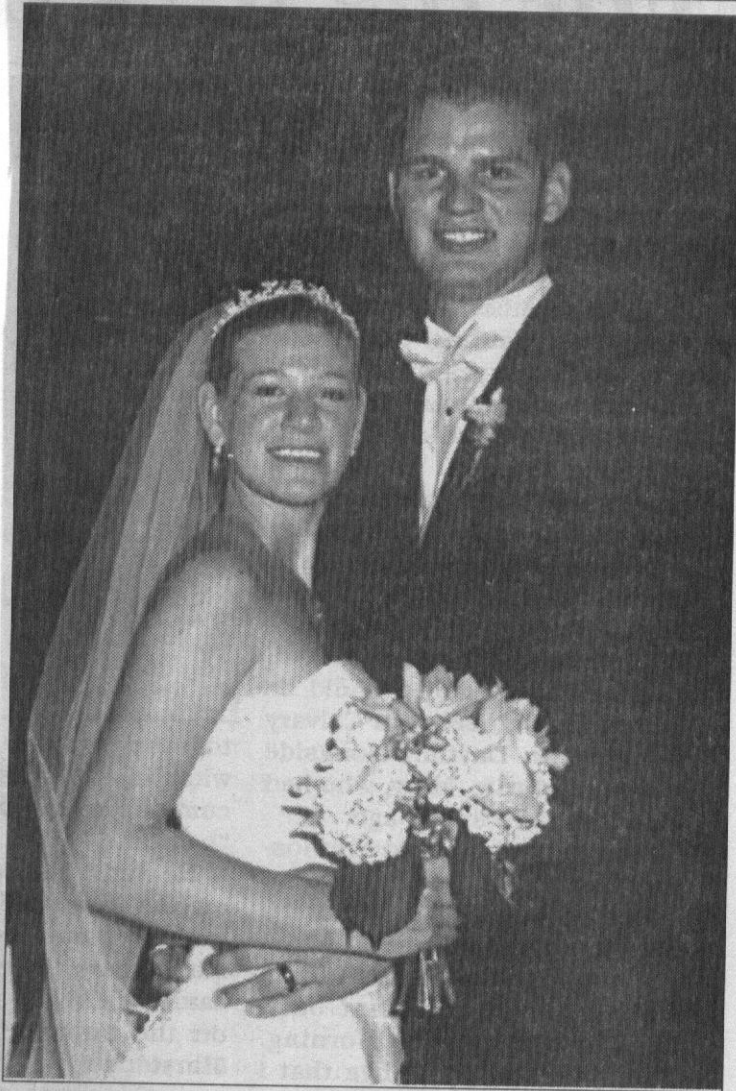
Grandmother of the bride is Hilda Sommer. Grandfather of the bride is Thomas Froning. Grandparents of the groom are Alvin and Ruth Brown and Stanley and Dona Mae Kuenning.

Deceased grandmother of the bride, Bernadine Froning, and grandfather of the bride, Joseph Sommer, were remembered with white hyacinths and a clutch of wheat brought to the altar at the offering.

Following the ceremony, a dinner reception was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Minster. The couple honeymooned in Nassau and are making their home in New Bremen.

The bride graduated from Minster High School in 2000 and will graduate from Rhodes State College with an associate's

Thursday, October 28, 2004



Mr. and Mrs Lee Kuenning

degree in dental hygiene in the family hardware
in June, 2005. business co-managing

The groom graduated the Western Ohio True
from New Bremen High Value Hardware Store in
School in 2001. He works St. Henry, Ohio.