

MARRIAGE CLOSURE AND TRANSFORMATION CEREMONY (Created by Rev. Gary)

(Witnessed by 2 people the couple have been close with)

Aims

1. Honor and celebrate your years together
2. Acknowledge where you are now – sharing thoughts, feelings, and experiences about the sorrows and challenges of your marriage
3. Bring formal closure to your marriage
4. Envision and share about your new connection for the future
5. Blessing each other on the journey ahead – both individually and together

Summary

- The ceremony officiant will lead the witnesses in a silent walk to the ceremony site and remain in silence once there.
- Couple will then silently walk to the site, holding hands
- Introduction by officiant, briefly reviewing the creation and evolution of married partnership
- Couple shares appreciation and fond memories, regrets, wishes, learnings, and forgiveness
- Rituals of removal of their wedding rings
- Couple shares wishes and vows for their future relationship,
- Confirming of their wishes through gift sharing
- Officiant closing remarks
- Closing celebration ritual – throwing of rose petals or something else meaningful from their original wedding celebration