

Julia and David's Wedding June 4, 2016

Good evening everyone. KA-LEE-SPE-RA, YA-SAS. On behalf of my wife Susan and me, we would first of all like to say how pleased and honoured we are to have the Turco family join with the Paridis family to become one. To Ipakoi and Kristos thank you (EF-KHA-REE-STO) for welcoming our son David into your family and for everything you have done and are doing to make this wedding celebration such a wonderful happy occasion. You have a special family and I know how helpful they have been and will continue to be to support Julia and David. We love your family and are very pleased to be joining with you. We especially love grandma. Yia Yia noi ti amo SE-A-GA-PO. To the wedding party you all look great and thank you for your support for Julia and David. We also welcome everyone who is here tonight especially those that have travelled near and far. We appreciate the effort you have made to be here. We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge all those who could not be here but who have sent their love and good wishes and we remember those looking down on us today. We know how very proud and happy they must be Thank you to all for making this a very special day for David and Julia. Thank you, Grazie, EF-KHA-REE-STO.

Now Julia and David

Julia, even though you have been part of us for a good while now, we want to formally welcome you into the Turco family and all the Italian-Canadian idiosyncrasies that come with it. We have gotten to know you and you gotten to know us but what amazes me most are that you still said yes to David.

Seriously we have come to know you and we love you like a daughter. You are a beautiful, intelligent, warm, sincere and loving person and our son is very fortunate to be able to now call you his wife. We know you love David and David loves you. We can see that both you are developing a special bond and developing a great relationship together and we couldn't be happier for the both of you and are very proud to call you our daughter-in-law.

David your mom and I and Joey, Vicky, Tate, Tye and Dan and Tran and all your family and friends are very proud of you and couldn't be happier for you today. You are a great son and you have a lot of great qualities which *I am sure are the ones that attracted Julia to you.*

The advice I have and I can only speak from 45 years of experience. Marriage is hard work and raising a family is the most rewarding work you will ever do. Old married couples know that the secret of a successful marriage is patience, tolerance and forgiveness. Having a bad memory doesn't hurt either except on birthdays and anniversaries. David what I've learned after all these years is to always try to get the last word in on any argument or disagreement-two simple words actually-" yes dear".

Now all that remains is for me to ask everyone to join me in a toast to our newlyweds.

Here is to the Past for all that you have learned.

Here is to the Present for all that you share,

Here is to the Future for all that you look forward together.

Family and Friends

Here is to Julia and David, the Bride and Groom.

Salute, EE-GIA-MAS (YAMAS), CHEERS