Sheridan / Norris Real Wedding Profile

Bride: Kimberly Sheridan  
Hollywood, FL  
Profession: Caregiver / Wardrobe for Film and Print  

Groom: Chris Norris  
Profession: Hard Rock Hotel, Room Service Department  
Wedding Date: March 10th, 2013  
Photographer: Karttos Photography & Event Creations

Christopher and I met in 2003 at a Pet Smart in Pembroke Pines. His pick up line was “What kitty litter do you recommend?” The comical thing is he did not even have a cat but from our first meeting, we bonded over our mutual love of animals. I am a self-admitted “cat lady” and he is an avid dog lover.

When we first met, I was living in Miami Beach and working for my family business in Miami and Christopher had just bought his first house in Hollywood. We dated casually for the first few years, looking forward to our weekly rendezvous. My parents were elderly so we eventually closed my family’s business, I moved back home to Hollywood, became a caregiver to my parents and worked part-time in the film business doing wardrobe while Christopher worked at the Hard Rock Hotel. As the years passed, it became apparent that this was a long term romance. However, marriage wasn’t at the top of our priority list.

In 2009, the week before my father passed away, I visited Christopher’s house with my parents. My father was suffering from Alzheimer’s disease but when he saw Christopher for that last time, he said to me in his Bostonian accent, “You’ve got a good guy there” which meant the world to me and I considered it his blessing.

When my father did pass away, my mother was immediately diagnosed with Alzheimer’s and it progressed rapidly. Christopher and his 2 doggies agreed to move in with me, my mother and our 4 kitties. It was a little rough at first but eventually, the cats and dogs became friends and we became a family. Christopher also became a wonderful caregiver to my mother and I am forever grateful to him for his kindness towards her as I know many men don’t even like visiting their mother-in-laws! Since her husband of 50 years was now gone, my mother also fell in love with Christopher. She would ask when he was coming home from work and get herself all dolled up for dinner with him. He was always so incredibly sweet to her and that just made me love him even more.
2009 – 2011 were a rough years for us. I lost my father and my favorite kitty, Larry Bird and Christopher lost his mother and and his 19 year old Golden Retriever, Howard Stern. Also during this time period, Christopher had emergency gallbladder surgery and I also had health issues which also led to surgery. After these life altering events, marriage started coming up in conversations.

In September of 2012, Christopher proposed while on my birthday cruise. He had a pair of adorable bride and groom bobble-heads made in our likeness and proposed with them. The bobbles later played a huge part in our wedding.

We first fell in love with the Sundy House on a spontaneous “stay-cation” for my birthday in 2008. Christopher’s boss had once mentioned he’d had a great meal at the Sundy House so while driving through Delray Beach, we decided to check it out. We were immediately fascinated with the property. It was off season in September and the front desk was kind enough to show us around and we were offered a great rate for their beautiful Cottage. Our stay was so perfect that we jokingly said we could never return because it could never been this good again.

Once we decided to marry, we knew it would be at the Sundy House. We married on March 10, 2013 and it was sincerely the best day of our lives. Our friends and family stayed over for the weekend and everything was perfection. We’ve had nothing but compliments and positive feedback on every aspect of our stay and wedding. There has been talk amongst my friends of making a stay at the Sundy House a yearly event! We truly enjoyed every minute of our wedding thanks to Tom and the entire Sundy House staff. It was once again, a magical experience I will never forget. We look forward to celebrating many more special occasions at the beautiful Sundy House.
We have known each other for many years and have been good friends for a long time. After so much time as friends, the first time Eddie went to kiss me, I laughed and thought he was joking – but he was not. Eddie has always been a big goof, and I’ve always been a sucker for someone who could make me laugh. Building upon our years of friendship, our relationship almost immediately became serious and for a long time I thought we’d be Goldie Hawn & Kurt Russell – long term unmarried relationship. Then our kids got to us. His sons and my daughter decided it was important to them that we got married. In the fall of 2011, we looked at engagement rings and I picked one out that I loved, but nothing happened for many months, although he bought the ring the day after we looked at it. That was in September of 2011. On February 3, 2012, Eddie proposed to me at Lion Country Safari on the giraffe platform – with a couple of very tall witnesses to the event! Eddie got down on one knee and with his boys flanking him and my daughter and son-in-law looking on, he proposed to me. And put the ring on the wrong hand. It didn’t matter, it was the most perfect proposal ever.

Two of my friends recommended the Sundy House. I looked at eight different venues and dragged Eddie to my favorite three. Eddie is born and raised in South Florida and the Sundy House’s old Florida design immediately resonated with both of us – it was my favorite, but I didn’t tell him until he told me it was the one! I’ve never planned a wedding and with the assistance of Tom Rasumussen and the others at Sundy House, I had absolutely no problem pulling the wedding together. We stayed there, with our wedding party, for the weekend and it was the most fabulous and fun weekend ever. The day of our wedding was perfect and I literally felt like a princess – Sundy House had people assisting us every step of the way and there were no mis-steps. It truly was a picture perfect day for us, our family and friends.
Lara and Greg’s Story
The first meeting was a chance encounter at Lara’s birthday. It was large, undefined event; a group coming together for nothing more than the experience of good times with good people – the birthday acting merely as a catalyst. Most in attendance didn’t know the birthday girl, much less one-another (including Lara and Greg).

At the moment of introduction they both were piqued with physical attraction. However, it was not the right time. Both were comfortably settled in relationships, giving no further thought to pursuing the pretty face to which they just encountered.

A year later, another birthday - this time not Lara’s. It is clear there is more than just the indisputable physical attraction. Unfortunately, timing continues to work against the couple. They leave again with only thoughts of one-another.

Another year, a pool party. Lara and Greg meet again but this time it is different. This time everything is in their favor. More than ever the sparks and chemistry fly. As they leave the party, they each call a friend to chat about the amazing connection. Shortly thereafter, Greg muster’s up enough nerve to ask Lara on a perfect, meticulously planned first date.

Fast forward four years…
Today we are Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Stolzberg.
Sundy House

The evening of May 12, 2000, Jeff, Lara’s father, called to announce that he and his long-time girlfriend, Debbie, eloped. He proceeds to tell Lara all of the details: The previous day they decided, “let's get married tomorrow,” Debbie left to find a dress, and asked Jeff to find a venue. She armed him with a list of three options. Jeff’s first stop was the Sundy House. Upon seeing the breathtaking beauty, he knew there was no needn’t look elsewhere. Months later when Lara was visiting (prior to ever meeting Greg) the newlyweds treated Lara to Sunday brunch at the Sundy House. Lara, taken back by the beauty, decided that she too would someday have her wedding at the Sundy House. On January 12, 2013, her dream came true.

One of best things about having a wedding at the Sundy House is seeing the faces of the guests as they enter and absorb the breathtaking surroundings Everybody was in awe from the moment they arrived, and are still talking about how beautiful our wedding was.

From our initial meeting with the Sundy House event coordinator, Tom, we felt a tremendous sense of relief and growing excitement. It immediately was clear we were in good hands. We have so much gratitude for the Sundy House team. They truly helped make our dream wedding become a reality.
It was New Year's Eve, and to say it was a fateful evening would be quite an understatement. They were introduced at the house party of a mutual friend and as it turned out, the only two single people attending. A couple of glasses of champagne later, they began to talk of jobs, the city, music, food... life. She knew that she was leaving town tomorrow, and he knew a Russian word or two to make her laugh. The countdown began, the spirits grew, and the reserved was challenged by the bold. She made her move, contrary to popular practice, but little did she know that it would intertwine their destinies, for better or for worse. You could say that she made the first move, but without a doubt, he’s the one that sealed the deal. Throughout the next month, they stayed in touch, speaking with each other upon the closing of each day, wishing to have a chance to resume where they left off. After deciding that he would rather be cavalier than craven, the only thing that stood between them was 900 miles and a 15 hour car ride. And so he drove... and drove and drove and drove. To do so with a purpose and a promise is one thing; to do so without telling her was another. Then she received the call: the call that caught her off guard, got her heart racing, and changed her life. He was two hours away, she was surprised to say the least. From that weekend on, there was no going back, but who’s to say they wanted to? Steve’s proposal was no less dramatic: he had his best-man-to-be film Ulyana discovering a series of clues leading her to the Lincoln Memorial where he fell to one knee on the steps leading up from the Potomac River. The Sundy House was the first place they visited, the charm, beauty, and seclusion that Sundy House offered blew the couple away, and they knew at once this is where they wanted their lives to begin, among family, friends, loved ones, exotic plants, cute cottages, and out of this world hospitality. The ability of the staff to blend all of our desires together with their space and the other vendors was astonishingly blissful. A flawless evening at the perfect venue with the exact people they wanted, where not only did everything go well, but they couldn’t have asked for more.
We met while working together for just a few days at Table 42 in Boca where we both had a stint of our 2nd jobs- I was bartending & Eric was a chef. He flirted with me on my first day & I thought he was much younger than he was, I didn't pay much attention to him. He went on to open the sister restaurant Racks at Mizner. We didn’t see each other for awhile until I was sat in front of him at his pizza oven counter with a few friends. He was very talkative, flirty & I flirted back, I remember thinking his personality was charming.

Two weeks later we bumped into each other again at Dubliner’s where we were both clearly excited to see each other. Eric bought my girlfriend, cupid, (who became one of my maid of honors) and I a drink. While he was at the bar ordering our drinks, my girlfriend strongly gave me her approval. When he joined us and the four of us were talking, my girlfriend flat out said I think you guys should go out and asked Eric if he would go out with me to which Eric replied, "Of course, why wouldn't I? I mean look at her, she is gorgeous!"Our first date was fun and we continued to hit it off and the fireworks were exploding.

I had heard about the Sundy House from a few friends and always wanted to check it out. Eric had been once before but when we walked through it with our friends during Delray's first pub crawl, I said this is it; this is where we are getting married! I knew I wanted an outdoors wedding and a garden...there was no better place! It was our Shangrala for the eve & thank the gods the rain went away that morning & our eve was perfect! Sundy House did a perfect job with everything! And the staff from servers to the coordinator, Tom, was perfect. Thank you Sundy House for a perfect wedding that was better than we ever imagined.