

A Whoops at the Wedding

Amidst all the pomp and circumstance of a royal wedding, a moment occurred that was perplexing to the principals but amusing to the world at large.

It occurred during the wedding of Prince Albert, the Duke of York (who later became King George VI), and Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon at Westminster Abbey in London on April 26, 1923. King George and his wife, Elizabeth, were the parents of Britain's reigning Queen Elizabeth II.

As the ceremony for Albert and Elizabeth was set to begin, guests were in their places, the groom stood at the altar, and everyone was waiting the coming of the bride.

Suddenly, it was noticed that one of the cushions on which the royal pair were to kneel had been pushed out of its place and was lying on the floor.

None of those standing solemnly near it would touch it. Each felt that to replace it would have been acknowledgment that such a menial task was his duty.

Then the Prince of Wales, who was groomsman, saw it and immediately picked up the offending article and put it back in its place.

Consider this picture: How stiff and self-conscious, how self-important and silly the others looked beside the Prince of Wales as they stood there with every mind on the cushion and every eye turned away until their prince relieved their embarrassment.



We, too, must understand that, whatever our responsibilities may be in Life Care, Century Park or Life Care at Home, no chore is beneath us, no service endeavor too small for us to handle.

The excuse, *It's not in my job description*, has no place in our family of providers.

– Beecher Hunter