

EXCLUSIVE PHOTOS

# Sherri's Dream Wedding

The View's Sherri Shepherd gets her happily ever after



### HER BFFS!

"I'm so glad I introduced Sherri and Lamar," Niecy Nash, here with fellow bridesmaids Elisabeth Hasselbeck, Yvette Nicole Brown and Kym Whitley, all in Carmen Marc Valvo gowns, tells *Life & Style*.



### FINALLY, A FAMILY

"We mixed sand together to show we were blending our family," says Sherri.



### THE NEW MR. AND MRS.

"I'm floating on love," says Sherri about her groom, dressed in a custom Michael Andrews Bespoke tuxedo.

**A**s a beaming Sherri Shepherd walked down the aisle escorted by her adorable 6-year-old son, Jeffrey, she couldn't believe her wedding day was finally here. But when Jeffrey gave Sherri away by placing her hand in the hand of her groom, TV writer Lamar "Sal" Sally, she knew her dreams had come true. "Second chances really do happen, and I got mine," the beautiful bride, who'd been married once before, raves to *Life & Style* in an exclusive interview. Feeling "like a princess" in a custom-made Rivini gown, Sherri tied the knot in front of 260 guests, including bridesmaids Elisabeth Hasselbeck, Yvette Nicole Brown, Niecy Nash and Kym Whitley, at the Fairmont Hotel

in her hometown of Chicago on Aug. 13, only two days after her *View* co-host Joy Behar got hitched.

### Dance All Night

"It was just a magical night," says Sherri, 44. After exchanging vows — "There was no 'love and obey' because I don't like the whole 'obey' thing," Sherri jokes — the couple invited their friends and family to get down to the business of partying. She and Lamar danced to "Fly Love," by Jamie Foxx, and then the bridal party boogied down in a choreographed number to Usher's "DJ Got Us Falling in Love Again." "We rehearsed that dance for what seems like months," says Lamar, "so to be able to get through it with nobody getting hurt or messing up was impressive!"

### Passionate Pair

Just as impressive? The guests partied into the wee hours of the morning! "My son didn't go to bed until 2 a.m.," shares Sherri. Now honeymooning at the luxe Viceroy Hotel in Anguilla, the newlyweds are just thrilled to have found each other. "She makes me laugh," confesses Lamar. "He can change a lightbulb like nobody's business, he can kill spiders and when I need someone to put up the lights for Christmas, I'm set. I got my own handyman with a ring," gushes the bride. "I can't believe I'm a Mrs. It's truly wonderful."

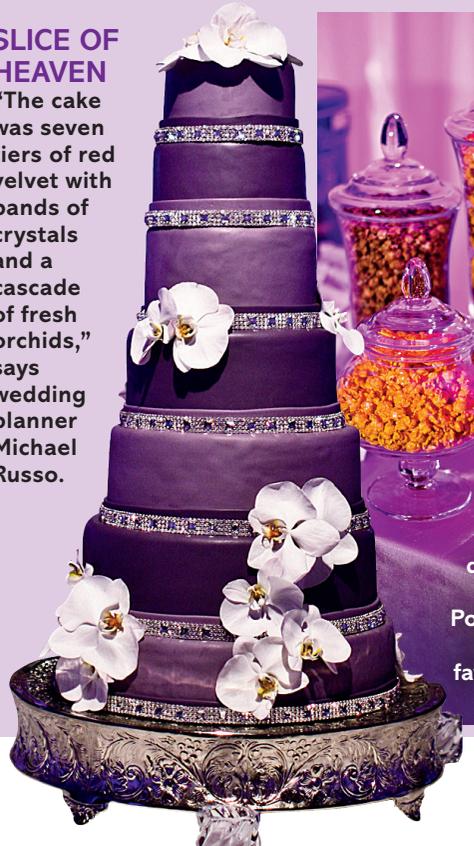
### TUNE IN

For more nuptial news, check out *Wedding Fabulous: Sherri Shepherd Gets Married*, airing on Sept. 13 at 9 p.m. ET/PT on Style.

## IT WAS SO LAVISH!

### SLICE OF HEAVEN

"The cake was seven tiers of red velvet with bands of crystals and a cascade of fresh orchids," says wedding planner Michael Russo.

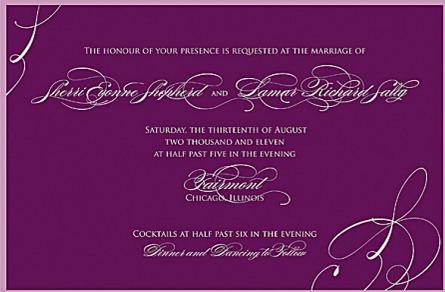


### SWEET TREAT!

"We had different desserts and Garrett's Popcorn, mine and Oprah's favorite," says Sherri.

### PURPLE REIGN

The bridesmaid dresses, cake, decor at the reception and wedding invitations by the Wedding Company of Manhasset (below) followed a purple theme.



### RING IT ON

Sherri's wedding band is a channel diamond ring by Jacob & Co. "It's pretty beautiful," she says.



### TAKE TWO!

Despite changing gowns, Sherri kept her 5½-inch purple Swarovski heels on the entire time. "My feet hurt," she admits!

She changed dresses!

