



EVER AFTER: LINDSAY ABELES & PATRICK MCFARLANE

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Most fathers of the bride toast their newlywed daughters with Champagne — but not **Randy Abeles**. At his daughter **Lindsay's** Nov. 3 nuptials, Randy instead raised a Shamrock Shake. The playful gesture stemmed from a family joke that Abeles would be married inside a Rock 'n' Roll McDonald's, and according to the couple, it brought down the house. "My dad and I planned it together and Pat had no idea. It was one of his favorite parts of the evening," says Abeles.

In reality, Abeles, the public relations coordinator at Neiman Marcus Michigan Avenue, married college sweetheart **Patrick McFarlane**, a regional sales manager at Maple Leaf Foods, Inc., inside the InterContinental Chicago O'Hare Hotel (5300 N. River, Rosemont). The pair were wed in a traditional Jewish ceremony in front of 300 friends and family members. A glam reception followed, replete with acrylic silver and rhinestone details and snack stations stocked with lobster and mushroom-topped mac and cheese, followed by cake balls by Gotta Sweet Tooth. At the beginning of the evening, Abeles and McFarlane enjoyed a special dance to Matt Nathanson's "Wedding Dress," performed by the **Larry King Orchestra** on a white patent leather dance floor monogrammed with the happy couple's initials. "We were in our own little world," says Abeles. "We didn't feel like there were 300 other people in the room watching us. It was an amazing moment."

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Gown: custom Vera Wang, 945 N. Rush; Verawang.com

Groom's attire: Giorgio Armani, Salvatore Ferragamo and Ike Behar, Neiman Marcus, 737 N. Michigan; Neimanmarcus.com

Hair: Erin Ahern at Salon Buzz, 1 E. Delaware; Salonbuzz.com

Makeup: Stella Mikhail for Laura Mercier; (847) 845-0812

Bridesmaids' attire: Monique Lhuillier, Bella Bridesmaid, 1 E. Delaware; Bellabridesmaid.com

Florist: HMR Designs, 1200 N. North Branch; Hmrdesigns.com

Photographer: Jai Girard; Jaigirard.com

Cake: Cake, 1635 W. Walnut, Cake-chicago.com

Lighting: Platinum Events; Enjoyplatinum.com

Videographer: Larry Wayne; Larrywayneevolutionvideo.com

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