MARRIAGE LICENSE

Requirements for obtaining a Marriage License:

Both parties must appear to make application. (If one of the applicants is unable to appear, call the DeWitt County Clerk's Office at 361-275-0864)

Both parties must provide current valid state or government issued picture identification and provide social security card and/or social security number information.

Both parties must be 18 years of age. If a party is under 18 years of age, please contact the DeWitt County Clerk's office for information.

If either applicant is divorced the divorce must have been final for 30 days prior to obtaining a new marriage license.

There is a 72 hour waiting period once a couple has obtained a marriage license. This means that the couple cannot get married until that 72 hour waiting period is over. The only way to waive the 72 hour waiting period is per a judge's order; or if one of the applicants is on active military duty; or upon completion of an approved premarital education course and provides certificate to County Clerk for verification.

The marriage license is valid for 90 days after the issuance date.

The person who conducts the marriage ceremony shall return the original license to the County Clerk, once the marriage is recorded the license will be mailed to the couple at the address indicated on the application or held within the office for the couple to pick up.

Costs:

\$ 81.00 to obtain a marriage license

\$ 21.00 if couple completes an approved course through Twogether in Texas <u>www.twogetherintexas.com</u>

Declaration of Informal Marriage:

The County Clerk's office also issues Declaration of Information Marriage Licenses. The costs is \$46.00. Please call for more information (361) 275-0864.

Office hours for Marriage License issuance:

Monday -- Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The County Clerk's Office has marriage licenses from 1846 to present. Marriage Licenses are public record and anyone wishing to obtain a copy may do so. The cost of a certified copy is \$7.00. Anyone wishing to request a certified copy of a marriage license should complete an application for certified copy and send the application with the correct payment to: DeWitt County Clerk, 102 N. Clinton St., Suite 120 Cuero, Texas 77954.