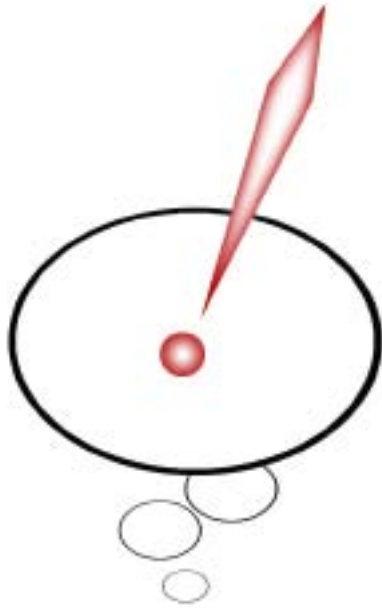


The day came



by Melissa Haddow



It's finally here, the dates been set,
so friends have gathered from near and far,
for a bridal shower to stock the bar.



This is a story about Meghan, a young woman about to be wed. I have known Meg's and been privileged to watch her grow from a small child of two to a delightful bride-to-be of twenty-five.



I remember her when she played house with Catherine
- putting on dress up clothes and prancing about.
I remember our Thanksgiving “turkey decorating
contest” - what fun we had.



I remember summer days at the pool and Coach D.



I remember too, her years at Wilder - Mrs. House,
Valentine parties, warblers, campfire and
the “flag” song.



I remember the years at Hickory Hills - watching her blossom, discover boys, school dances and so much more.



I remember the excitement as she moved
on to Glendale.



I watched her hone her soccer skills, explore the islands on the senior class trip,



discover her soon to be husband, Neil,



and graduate, ready to take on the world.



I remember as she headed off to “hog country”,
became a sorority girl and decided a degree in
business would be her ticket to the future



I remember when she journeyed back to Springfield,
wrote a business plan and opened up one of the
classiest clothing boutiques around.



Now, very soon, Meghan will turn yet another page
in the book that is her life,



and I will remember all these memories as I watch her,
the bride-to-be, begin a new journey.



Most of all, though all these years and all the changes,
I remember what hasn't changed.

Her wonderful smile that lights up a room, her zest for
life, her flair for the unusual, her innate sense of style,
and her kind and gentle heart.

I wish you well,

The

Bride

To

Be

Love,

Me



About the Author
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My name is Melissa Haddow and I live in Springfield, MO. with my husband Ali. I have three children, Andrew, Catherine and Lauren. The house I live in is just down the hill from where Meghan grew up. Catherine and Meghan attended elementary, middle and high school together - they even went to the same college. I love cooking, creating (what fun we had in campfire), reading and trying to change the world.

