

When I first met Mike, I didn't like him very much (Slim applauds awkwardly).

That's not true, I just thought it would be a good opening line.

I don't have a lot to say, but there's a lot to be said about the quality of a person through their actions;

Mike has had the privilege of watching *me* grow up - since middle school. He has always been the responsible one, despite whatever he's learned from Larry. We've had so many good times that I would be embarrassed to talk to about in front of his mother. There are, of course, the acceptable stories that all started with 'Hey guys let's have some beers and play some board games', almost immediately followed by Slim being naked in the kitchen,... ya'know how that ended - VERY NICE!

And Natalie? Let's give her a round of applause for staying up so late!

That's not entirely fair, she works hard,.....

Mike and Natalie are the absolute couple, they absolutely get things done... without question. Go to school, knock out classes left and right,.... Get jobs, teaching.

Even casual hangouts involve picking a spot and ordering the whole menu, plus a side of fries. Honeymoon in Mexico? Isn't that dangerous? It's alright I teach in Queens,....

They take 'Work hard,Play hard' to a whole new level. They go on 1 date, they're dating. 2 weeks later, they move in together, 3 months later, they're engaged, it's been like 4 months and here we are at the wedding! 5 minutes from now we'll all be sharing a toast in their honor.

If we're hanging out at 6, you have to know that they really mean 4:30, if Natalie sits down for a minute, you have to know that she's asleep for the night. It's that whole absolute thing,....

That's really the only thing I can joke about at their expense, you two aren't just a couple. Regarding the quality of a person/people: you are a couple of the finest people I have ever had the privilege of knowing. It's an honor to have gotten the opportunity to express to our friends and family that I love you both,.. even though they already know you and THEY also love you too,. But it's different.

So with that in mind

"May you grow old on one pillow."

—Armenian blessing

"Let's drink to love, which is nothing—unless it's divided by two."

—Irish blessing

Slainte, prost, parabang, l'chaim, cheers!