



WHEN SINGER-ACTOR SHAUN CASSIDY SECRETLY MARRIED HIS STUNNING BLONDE GIRLFRIEND, IT WAS A CASE OF ...

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HEART-THROB WEDS THE CENTREFOLD GIRL

POP IDOL Shaun Cassidy kept his backyard wedding to former Playboy playmate Ann Pennington one of Hollywood's closest secrets.

The marriage was revealed the day after the December ceremony and Cassidy told his famous mother, actress Shirley Jones, only three weeks before.

"That's a relative surprise — to a mother, anyway," Shaun's step-father, Marty Ingels, told TV WEEK while the couple were on a two-week honeymoon.

Shaun, 21, met his 28-year-old bride 19 months ago on the set of his former TV series, **The Hardy Boys Mysteries**.

Ann is the mother of a little girl and is known in Los Angeles for her modelling in commercials for a local men's clothing chain.

Soon after meeting she and Shaun began living together in his Hollywood Hills home.

Shaun decided to pop the question while on his recent American concert tour.

"It was obvious they were in love with each other," Ingels said. "They'd passed all the tests. He went on his last tour and missed her a lot, so I guess he realised she was his girl."

"It's the best kind of test." The couple exchanged vows in a double-ring ceremony

under a gazebo built in Shaun's backyard.

A minister from Santa Monica's Unity-By-The-Sea Church officiated.

Shaun's three brothers, David, 29, Patrick, 17, and Ryan, 13, joined his best friend, and band member, David Jolliffe, as groomsmen.

Ann, dressed in a beautiful white-lace dress with flowers ringing her head, was attended by her model sister, Janice. #

• **LEFT: Heart-throb Shaun Cassidy kisses his beautiful bride, Ann Pennington.**

• **BELOW LEFT: The happily married couple with Shaun's famous half-brother, David Cassidy, and David's wife, actress Kay Lenz.**

• **BELOW RIGHT: A radiant Shirley Jones hugs her new**

daughter-in-law after the private ceremony.

• **BOTTOM LEFT: Shaun and Ann with the Rev. Bob Sicking, the minister from Santa Monica's Unity-By-The-Sea Church.**

• **BOTTOM RIGHT: What's that around his arm...? Well, Franco Nero just happened to catch the bride's garter!**

