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Living on separate continents couldn't keep **Cassiana de Moura S. Silva** and **Charles Hunter Peak** apart. They were destined for one another.

Cassiana was born in Brazil but attended Chapel Hill High School. Hunter, a Durhamite, attended **Durham Academy**. Their paths finally crossed in 2004 when Cassiana was in Durham during her summer vacation from college, and they remained friends until they both realized they were in love and started dating in August 2008.

When they were apart, the couple talked on the phone and emailed constantly. "I thought being in a long-distance relationship actually helped us to grow closer," says Hunter, a freight specialist with **Supply Chain Logistics**.

The couple married in May at the home of **Susan Peak** and **Dan Minor**, Hunter's mother and stepfather, in **Hope Valley**. Family came from as far as Mexico and Brazil to help celebrate. "Our wedding day was even better than I expected," Cassiana says.

Guests enjoyed food from **Parizade**. **Hutch Johnson** of **WHJ Design** with **Laura Scanlon** provided all the floral arrangements.

The couple resides in Morehead Hills. DM

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