John T. Groce and Rosetta Groce celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on June 26. John approached her. They continue to laugh about their first meeting at Basilica of the Sacred Heart and how they actually initiated their lasting friendship!

Following their wedding ceremony, a lovely reception was held at the home of Rosetta’s parents, William and Larcy Anderson. As a young couple, they began their family while residing on 32nd Street of Summer Street. Many family gatherings, parties and celebrations took place on “Little Ole Summer Street.”

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John has also worked at Lincoln, Temple, Johnson and Wales universities. His children are Andrew Henry, John Groce, Joel Groce and Lauren Groce, and one son in law, David Martin. John and Rosetta have been blessed with nine grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Over the years they have enjoyed wonderful relationships with a host of family members and close friends.

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Note: Information provided by the museum.

When asked if they had any advice for others considering marriage, the Groces said, “Marriage is not easy but with love and commitment, it can endure.”