

The Bride's Side Cheat Sheet

Michael Teger, the author of *The Bride's Side*, humbly dedicates this play to his family.

Members of the Newman Family and the Actors who Bring Them to Life

Rosie Newman - early 60s, the Newman family matriatch • Carol Rust
Philip Newman - late 60s, the Newman family partriarch • Roger Simon
Cari Webb - 40s, Philip and Rosie's youngest child, mother of Mack and Christopher • Rhonda Lee Brown
Eric Newman - 40s, Philip and Rosie's middle child and partner to Zachary • Russell Costen
Zachary Winchell - 30s, Eric's 3rd one and only partner • Davis Bennett
Mackenzie (Mack) Webb - late teens, Cari's son and Rosie and Philip's youngest grandchild • Sean Mellot
Myra Pollack - 30s, first cousin to the Newman siblings and Rosie and Philip's niece • Maureen Hines
William (Willie) Newman - late 40s, Philip and Rosie's oldest child, father of the bride • Bill Thompson

Stage Directions read by Renye Ress

Family Members Discussed but Never Seen

Stephanie Newman - Rosie and Philip's oldest grandchild, Willie's daughter, the bride Billy Trator - the groom

Zachery Webb - Cari's husband, father to Mack and Christopher

Christopher Webb - oldest child of Cari and Zachery Webb

Tanta Base - Rosie's great aunt, maybe

Julia Newman - Willie's wife

Darren Pollack - Myra's brother

Some Things You Might Not Know

Kobe beef - Kobe beef refers to beef from the black Tajima-ushi breed of Wagyu cattle, raised according to strict tradition in HyMgo Prefecture, Japan. The massive increase in popularity of Kobe beef in the United States has led to the creation of *Kobe-style* beef taken from domestically-raised Wagyu. Meat producers in the U.S. claim that any differences between their less expensive *Kobe-style* beef and true Kobe beef are largely cosmetic.

dipsomania - an intense and persistent desire to drink alcoholic beverages to excess

bebesching - to talk incessantly (in Yiddish)

schmumpin' and bumpin' - to act wild and other stuff (in Newman speak)



The I Love Lucy Spider Face



As demonstrated by Lucille Ball from the classic situation comedy *I Love Lucy*, this expression was, at various times, used to express mock disgust, true disgust, and just plain *uh oh*. If you are not familiar with this television show, that's definitely something you should know.