



# Philippines, Civil Registration Records Guide

## MARRIAGES, 1899–1985

This Philippines Civil Registration project contains marriage records for the country of the Philippines. This guide will help you learn how to index those records.

Carefully read the project instructions in each project to learn about unique features of that project.

What you need to know about this project:

- Most of the marriage records in this project come on preprinted forms, which simplifies the task of indexing them.
- These records were written in both Spanish or English.
- You may see records that are partially handwritten: please index them only if you are experienced with handwritten records.
- If you are not able to work with handwritten records, index what you can, and then return the batch for someone else to complete.

	HUSBAND	WIFE
Contracting Parties	REYNALDO DANDAN	MILAGROS RAMOS
(a) Age	20 yrs. & 7 mos.	18 yrs. & 6 mos.
(b) Nationality	Filipino	Filipino
(c) Residence	Tanza, Cavite	Naic, Cavite
Single, widowed or divorced	Single	Single
Father	Miguel Dandan	Agapito Ramos
Nationality	Filipino	Filipino
Mother	Emerenciana Genizal	Estelita Angeles
Nationality	Filipino	Filipino
Witnesses	Vicente Bonolan	Elodia Caringal
Residence	Tanza, Cavite	Tanza, Cavite
Persons who gave consent or advice	Miguel Dandan	Agapito Ramos
(a) Residence	Tanza, Cavite	Naic, Cavite
(b) Relation to contracting party	Father	Father
Place of marriage	Office of the House of Representatives of the Church	
Date of marriage	June 2 1963	

Figure 1. Detail of a typical Philippines Marriage Record showing just the fields to be indexed. Other portions of the document are not shown in this image.

- =Record Information
- =Given Names
- =Surnames
- =Titles or Terms
- =Dates

There are 24 basic elements to index in these marriage records.

- Register Number\*** will be indexed as **88**.
- Marriage City or Municipality\*** will be indexed as **Naic**.
- Marriage Province\*** will be indexed as **Cavite**.
- Groom's Given Names\*** will be indexed as **Reynaldo**.
- Groom's Surname\*** will be indexed as **Dandan**.
- Groom's Titles or Terms.** Press **Tab** to skip this field.
- Groom's Father's Given Names\*** will be indexed as **Miguel**.
- Groom's Father's Surname\*** will be indexed as **Dandan**.
- Groom's Father's Titles or Terms.** Press **Tab** to skip this field.
- Groom's Mother's Given Names\*** will be indexed as **Emerenciana**.
- Groom's Mother's Surname\*** will be indexed as **Cenizal**.
- Groom's Mother's Titles or Terms.** Press **Tab** to skip this field.
- Bride's Given Names\*** will be indexed as **Milagros**.
- Bride's Surname\*** will be indexed as **Ramos**.
- Bride's Titles or Terms.** Press **Tab** to skip this field.
- Bride's Father's Given Names\*** will be indexed as **Agapito**.
- Bride's Father's Surname\*** will be indexed as **Ramos**.
- Bride's Father's Titles or Terms.** Press **Tab** to skip this field.
- Bride's Mother's Given Names\*** will be indexed as **Estelita**.
- Bride's Mother's Surname\*** will be indexed as **Angeles**.
- Bride's Mother's Titles or Terms.** Press **Tab** to skip this field.
- Marriage Month\*** will be indexed as **Jun**.
- Marriage Day\*** will be indexed as **2**.
- Marriage Year\*** will be indexed as **1963**.

**\*Required Fields.** If information was not given for a required field, press **Ctrl+B** to mark the field as blank.

# Basic Elements

## Register Number:\* 88

- This number is usually located at the top of the page. If not recorded, press **Ctrl+B** to mark the field as blank.



## Marriage City or Municipality:\* Naic

- If the name of the marriage city or municipality was misspelled, spell it correctly.
- If the name of the marriage city or municipality was abbreviated and you know what the abbreviation stands for, type the complete name. If you are not sure what the abbreviation stands for, index what was written.



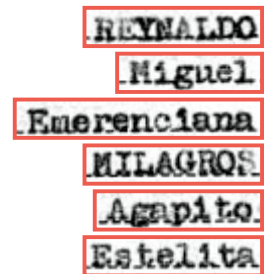
## Marriage Province:\* Cavite

- If the name of the marriage province was misspelled, spell it correctly.
- If the name was abbreviated and you know what the abbreviation stands for, type the complete name. If you are not sure what the abbreviation stands for, index what was written.



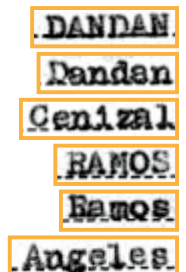
## Given Names\*

- The groom's given name is **Reynaldo**.
- The groom's father's given name is **Miguel**.
- The groom's mother's given name is **Emerenciana**.
- The bride's given name is **Milagros**.
- The bride's father's given name is **Agapito**.
- The bride's mother's given name is **Estelita**.
- Given names may be written before or after the surname. If you don't know whether a name is a given name or a surname, index it in the Given Names field.
- Do not include titles or terms, such as "Mr," "Miss," or "Jr," in the Given Names fields. Index them in the Titles or Terms fields instead.
- If a name was abbreviated, index it as is written without typing a period after the abbreviation.
- Include hyphens (-) and apostrophes (') when they were written as part of the name.



## Surnames\*

- The groom's surname is **Dandan**.
- The groom's father's surname is **Dandan**.
- The groom's mother's surname is **Cenizal**.
- The bride's surname is **Ramos**.
- The bride's father's surname is **Ramos**.
- The bride's mother's surname is **Angeles**.
- Surnames may be written before or after the given name. If you don't know whether a name is a given name or a surname, index it in the Given Names field.
- Do not include titles or terms, such as "Mr," "Miss," or "Jr," in the Surname fields. Index them in the Titles or Terms fields instead.
- Do not expand abbreviations.
- Include hyphens (-) and apostrophes (') when they were written as part of the name.
- Maiden surnames should be typed in in this field before married surnames.



## ● Titles or Terms

- Type the titles and terms that were included with the name (“Sr,” “Mr,” “Señor,” “Mister”, “Mrs,” “Ms”) in the “Titles and Terms” Field.
- If a title or term was abbreviated, type it as it was written on the document.
- Do not type a period after the abbreviation.
- If titles or terms were not recorded in the document, press **Tab** to skip this field.

## ● Marriage Month:\* Jun

- Type the first three letters of the month in English, for example, **Jan, Feb, Mar**, and so on.

## ● Marriage Day:\* 2

- Type the one- or two-digit number for the day.



## ● Marriage Year:\* 1963

- Type a four-digit number for the year.



If the marriage date was not recorded and other dates were written on the document, choose a date to index using the following in order of priority:

1. License date
2. Latest banns date
3. Consent date
4. Recording date
5. Any other date on the document

## Help and Training

- For full project instructions:  
[indexing.familysearch.org/projects/PhilippinesCRegistofMarria18991895PartA/ProjectHelp1.html](https://indexing.familysearch.org/projects/PhilippinesCRegistofMarria18991895PartA/ProjectHelp1.html)
- FamilySearch indexing support and training:  
[FamilySearch.org/learningcenter/results.html?fq=place%3A%22Spain%22](https://familysearch.org/learningcenter/results.html?fq=place%3A%22Spain%22)
- Spanish alphabet:  
[FamilySearch.org/indexing/help/handwriting](https://familysearch.org/indexing/help/handwriting)
- Other Resources (viewable only in a family history library or family history center):  
[Tracing Your Philippine Ancestors](#)