

The visitor's room at Brushy Mountain Penitentiary in Tennessee may soon be the site of a wedding between James Earl Ray and free-lance artist Anna Sandhu. Ray, who is serving a 99-year prison term for the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., will marry the 32-year-old blond artist whom he first saw in a June 1977 court hearing, according to a story in The Knoxville Journal.

"I'm marrying him because I love him and I know he's not a murderer," said Sandhu, who first spoke to the 50-year-old Ray last fall while he was being interviewed by TV reporters and whom she later met privately in the prison.

Stonney Lane, warden at the penitentiary, says that Ray has said nothing to him about the marriage. He also added that if a wedding were to occur, Ray and his prospective bride would not be allowed a conjugal visit. "He'd be right back in his cell after it's over. There would be no honeymoon."

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