

# Vanessa Minnillo Changes Her Name

Vanessa Minnillo is no more. The 31-year-old, who married Nick Lachey in July, has officially changed her name to Vanessa Lachey, reports [E! Online](#). Lachey took to Twitter to break the news, tweeting, “So. I’m making it official, and I LOVE my new name! @VanessaLachey has a nice ring to it.”

**What are some things to consider before changing your last name after marriage?**

## **Cupid’s Advice:**

Though taking your husband’s name used to be expected, more and more women are now choosing to keep their maiden names. Here are a few things to consider before making your decision:

- 1. The repercussions:** Having a different last name than your partner can be troublesome. Organizing financial documents, insurance papers, and other investments are often easier when you and your spouse have the same last name.
- 2. Your partner’s feelings:** If your partner wishes for you to take his name, you should take his feelings into consideration. However, make sure his wishes are only a small factor, not the deciding factor.
- 3. Your preference:** Don’t let society’s expectations overrule your personal preference. It’s your name, and ultimately, it’s your choice.

**Did you take your husband’s name after marriage? Feel free to share your feelings on the subject in a comment below.**