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## Camilla Parker Bowles reveals the Royal Family were worried over Meghan Markle family drama before royal wedding



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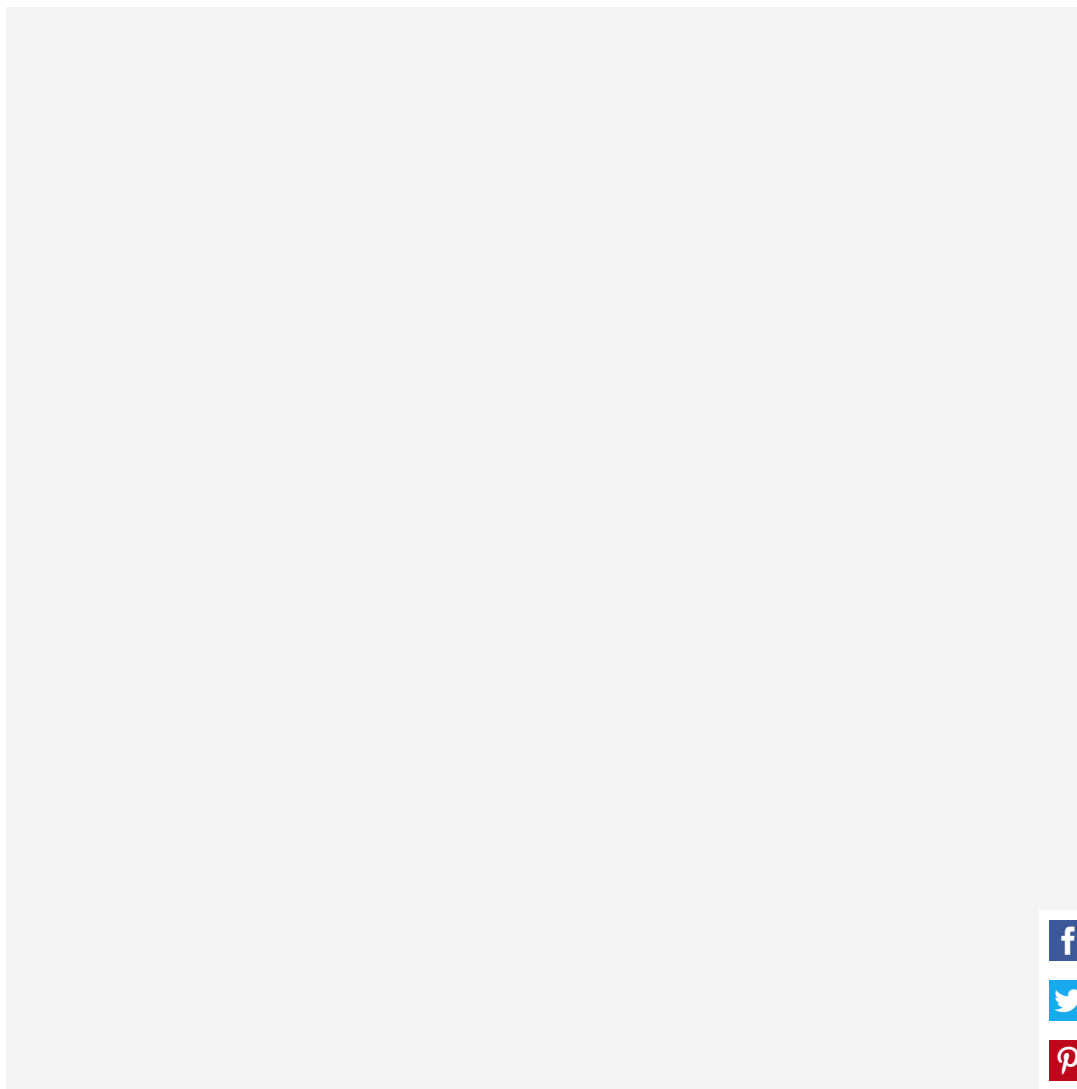


Prince Charles, Camilla, Duchess Of Cornwall and Meghan, Duchess Of Sussex (Picture: Tim Rooke/REX/Shutterstock)

**Camilla Parker Bowles has admitted the Royal Family were on tenterhooks in the run-up to **Prince Harry** and Meghan Markle's wedding over the bride's family drama.**

Prince Harry and Meghan Markle's wedding went off without a hitch after a few shocks in the lead-up to their big day.

As well as her **brother penning a scathing open letter to Prince Harry**, begging him not to marry 'jaded' Meghan and calling the wedding a 'mistake', her **father pulled out of attending** just two days before the wedding day.



Meghan Markle's family drama apparently concerned the Royal Family, according to the Duchess Of Cornwall (Picture: Reuters)

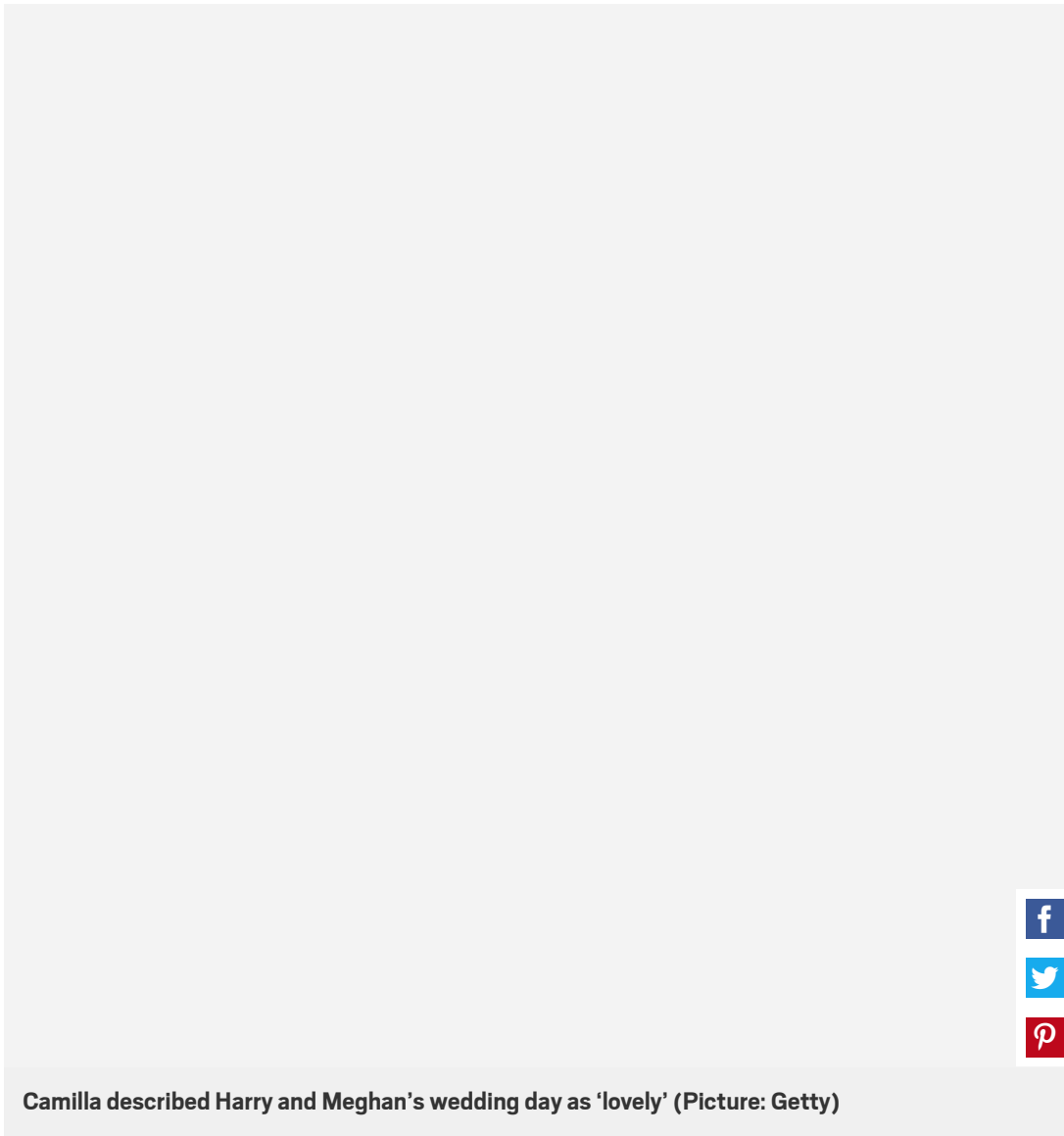
Following the revelation that Thomas Markle had colluded with paparazzi to stage photos of him in an internet cafe and getting measured for his suit to sell to newspapers, he **suffered a heart attack** and then revealed he had to have heart surgery so would be pulling out of the wedding.

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Prince Charles ended up stepping in to save the day, meeting Meghan halfway up the aisle after she walked the first part on her own.



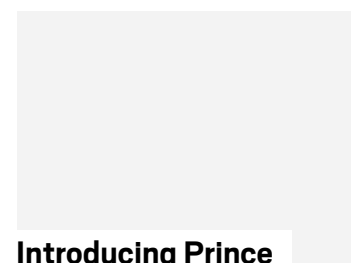
And now Camilla, speaking to 5 News, has revealed that the Royal Family were concerned in the days before the big day.

'It was such a lovely day. Just everything went right,' Camilla commented, adding: 'We all wondered whatever would happen next and then everything went right.'

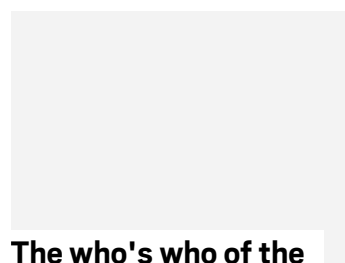
Meghan's father's heart attack and the rumours that he may not be able to attend her special day were referenced in a statement via Kensington Palace.

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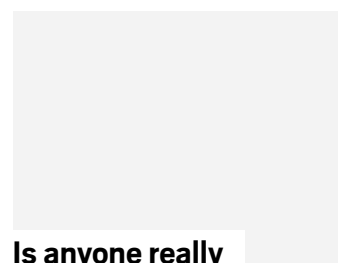
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The statement read: 'This is a deeply personal moment for Ms Markle in the days before her wedding.'

'She and **Prince Harry** ask again for understanding and respect to be extended to Mr Markle in this difficult situation.'



When it was then confirmed that Thomas would not be flying to the UK to be by her side, Meghan then addressed her father's absence herself in a statement via the Palace.

It read: 'Sadly, my father will not be attending our wedding. I have always cared for my father and hope he can be given the space he needs to focus on his health.'

'I would like to thank everyone who has offered generous messages of support.'

'Please know how much Harry and I look forward to sharing our special day with you on Saturday.'





**Prince Harry, Duke of Sussex and Meghan Markle, Duchess of Sussex, attend the Prince of Wales's 70th Birthday Garden Party at Buckingham Palace on May 22, 2018 (Picture: AFP/Getty Images)**

Following their wedding on Saturday, Meghan and Harry took a couple of days away for themselves before returning to royal duties on

Tuesday by attending a garden party for Prince Charles' 70th birthday.

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If you're wondering why there was a garden party for Charles, despite his birthday not being until 14 November, let us explain...

The garden party is being held by Charles and Camilla, Duchess Of Cornwall, to honour the work of The Prince Of Wales' charities in his 70th year.

Given a garden party can't exactly take place in November – and Charles has got one heck of a lot of celebrating to do this year – the decision was made to stagger out the events and host the garden party in the summer.



The Prince of Wales and Duchess of Cornwall attended the event, which fell on the first anniversary of the Manchester Arena bombing.

Members of the emergency services who were on the scene on the night of the terror attack, **which killed 22 people and injured a further 59**, were also be in attendance.

A minute's silence was held at a garden party last year for the 22 victims who were killed and those who were injured when a suicide bomb was detonated after an Ariana Grande concert on May 22.

More than 6,000 people from 386 of the charities Charles supports in celebration of his patronage work were also in attendance too.

It marked Harry and Meghan's first royal engagement as a married couple.



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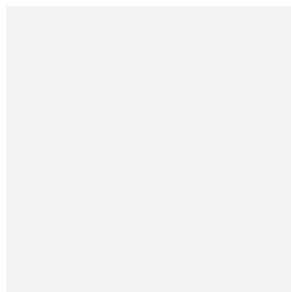
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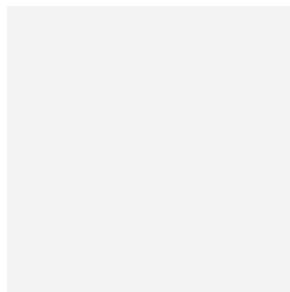
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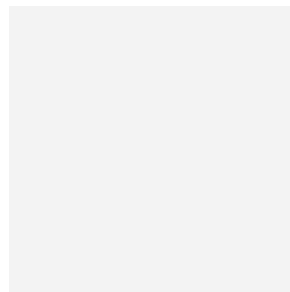


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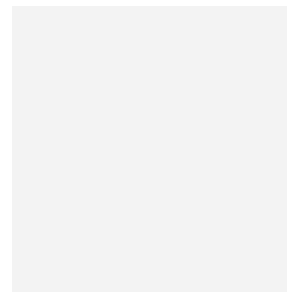


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