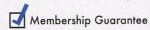
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our children at the neighborhood pool, and then we drifted apart as our children went off to different high schools and we both moved away from the old 'hood. What a sad delight to open your magazine and see wedding photos of former friends who incidentally were married the same year as my husband, Dean, and I.

Thank you for including this tender story of love that continues on beyond the grave. Unfortunately there are too many of us who can relate to this heartbreak.

WINNIE MAE HARGIS

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I WAS PLEASED, IN GENERAL, WITH the variety of couples and relationships you chose to highlight in your February special "Romance" issue. It was especially refreshing to see a story about a gay couple in a long-term relationship ("Bill and Doug Got Married" by Justin Heckert).

I was disappointed, however, with the bleak view of black romance. Aside from the snippet on the state of Whitney Houston and Bobby Brown's marriage, the only other story featuring blacks was Chandra Thomas' report about the over-hyped "phenomenon" of black men on the down low.

Although Atlanta Magazine can't be all things to all people, given the demographics of the city and your readership, one would expect a more balanced view of black relationships.

AARON THOMAS-ELLISTON
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