



The lower-level television and game area offered plenty of room for family fun, but the low dropped ceiling was completely out of step with the rest of the home. As an added challenge, the homeowner needed to be able to remove sections of the ceiling to access the mechanicals housed above. Corley solved both issues by designing a coffered ceiling made of sections that can be completely removed when the mechanicals need attention.

Despite COVID-19 and multiple change orders, the wedding proceeded as planned. Corley credits her client, who had recently sold his 500-person firm, for helping keep the project on track. The same planning and organizational skills that helped make his business a success were an asset when tracking contractors and materials.

This renovation was the first stage of her clients' wish to experience living in a large home and entertaining their adult children's families for the next 10 years before they down-size to their forever home. With Corley's vision now a reality, there are years of family fun ahead.

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OPPOSITE PAGE | The coffered ceiling is constructed from removeable sections for access to the mechanicals housed above.  
Curtain, pillow, and sectional fabrics: **Schumacher**, Suite 110. Faux leather trim on coffee table: **Pindler**, Suite 103.

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ABOVE | The fluted trim, an emerging trend, was added to the archway in the lower level dining room to echo the trim in the adjacent kitchen.

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**BEFORE** | The dropped ceiling was raised and replaced with elegant, coffered panels that feel more like the rest of the home.