



In Loving Memory of  
**Sylvia Margaret Messenger**  
***‘Margaret’***

9th June 1935 ~ 28th December 2015

Funeral Service  
Monday 11th January 2016  
Exeter & Devon Crematorium  
2.00pm  
St Peter's Chapel

Service taken by Reverend Brian Tubbs

## **Entrance Music**

*'Mama'*

by Il Divo

## **Welcome**

## **Tribute**

## **Reading**

Proverbs 31.10-31

## **Psalm 23**

1 The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures: and leads me beside still waters.

3 He shall refresh my soul: and guide me in the paths of righteousness  
for his name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;  
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;  
you have anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.

6 Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## **Reading**

John 14.1-6

## **Hymn**

*All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord God made them all.*

Each little flower that opens,  
Each little bird that sings,  
He made their glowing colours,  
He made their tiny wings.  
*All things bright...*

The purple-headed mountain,  
The river running by,  
The sunset, and the morning  
That brightens up the sky.

The cold wind in the winter,  
The pleasant summer sun,  
The ripe fruits in the garden,  
He made them every one.  
*All things bright...*

He gave us eyes to see them,  
And lips that we might tell  
How great is God Almighty,  
Who has made all things well.  
*All things bright...*

## **The Committal**

### **Reflection**

*'I Believe'*

by Robson & Jerome

### **The Prayers**

### **Blessing**

### **Recessional Music**

*'Distant Drums'*

by Jim Reeves



### **Poem**

#### She is Gone

You can shed tears that she is gone,  
Or you can smile because she has lived.  
You can close your eyes and pray that she will come back,  
Or you can open your eyes and see all she has left.  
Your heart can be empty because you cannot see her,  
Or you can be full of the love you shared.  
You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday,  
Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.  
You can remember her and only that she has gone,  
Or you can cherish her memory and let it live on.  
You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back,  
Or you can do what she would want: smile, open your eyes, love and go on.

*David Harkins*



*Linda, Gillian, Mandy, Julie and Andrew wish to thank you for attending the service today, for your prayers, messages of sympathy and kind donations.*

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