



*To Celebrate
the Life of*

Bernard Briggs

25th May 1932 - 15th September 2023

Sherwood Forest Crematorium

Thursday 5th October 2023
at 12.00 noon





Order of Service

led by Anja Laidler, Civil Celebrant

Processional Music

Rhinestone Cowboy
by Glen Campbell

Welcoming Words





Reading

The Dragonfly Story
by Walter Dudley Cavert

In the bottom of an old pond lived some grubs who could not understand why none of their group ever came back after crawling up the stem of the lilies to the top of the water. They promised each other that the next one who was called to make the upward climb would return and tell what happened to him. Soon one of them felt an urgent impulse to seek the surface; he rested himself on top of a lily pad and went through a glorious transformation which made him a dragonfly with beautiful wings. In vain he tried to keep his promise. Flying back and forth over the pond, he peered down at his friends below. Then he realised that if they could ever see him they would not recognise such a radiant creature as one of their number. The fact that we cannot see our friends or communicate with them after the transformation which we call death is no proof that they cease to exist.

Eulogy

Silent Reflection

Reflection and Photo Tribute

Music: The Wonder Of You

by Elvis Presley and The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra

Words of Farewell





Poem
Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room;
Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little, but not for long
And not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that once we shared;
Miss me, but let me go.

For this is a journey we all must take
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the master plan,
A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick at heart,
Go to the friends we know,
Laugh at all the things we used to do;
Miss me, but let me go.

Christina Rossetti



Recessional Music

My Way

by Frank Sinatra





The family would like to thank everyone
for their kind words and support at this sad time.

All are welcome for light refreshment at
The Copper Beech, Kirklington Road, Bilsthorpe NG22 8SS.

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John Eastwood Hospice Trust
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