

A Service Of Thanksgiving For

Hazel Worley



8th August 1937 – 12th August 2016
23rd August 2016
Lawnswood Crematorium, Leeds

Officiating Minister: Rev'd Brian Chiyesu

Music:

Non, Je Ne Regrette Rien – Edith Piaf

Introduction and Welcome

I would like to welcome you to this celebration of the life of Hazel who went to be with her beloved husband Brian, on 12th August 2016. I met Hazel during her time of hospitalization at St James's Hospital and I am honored to be here today leading the service as we remember her and reflect on her life. Talking with Jo and Martin, It was Hazel's wish that we should gather today for a celebration of a life lived to the fullest.

This is certainly an occasion for sorrow but may it also be an occasion for thanksgiving because we are thankful for the gift of life and we are thankful that Hazel lived among us.

Prayer

Dear God we acknowledge your presence here, and come before you this afternoon as friends and family of Hazel. We are here because we love her and miss her and we want to cherish our memories of her, we want to honour her life and honour her and support one another as we grieve her passing - a passing from life here with us to everlasting life there with you O Lord.

God, thank you for Hazel! You formed her, you knew her, you walked with her through 79...years, and even now we have confidence that she is in your presence. Thank you that you are a God of mercy, who promises to comfort us, particularly when we lose our loved ones, and so in these moments now, and in the weeks and months ahead, please bring comfort and mercy to us as we remember, and share fondly all that Hazel was to us.

In the mighty and holy name of Jesus we pray. Amen

Eulogy: Jo

Music & Reflection: Tender Is The Night – Tony Bennett

Poem: Martin

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love and laugh
abundantly
you live a
beautiful life.

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Reading

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

A Time for Everything

- ³ There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under the heavens:
- ² a time to be born and a time to die,
a time to plant and a time to uproot,
- ³ a time to kill and a time to heal,
a time to tear down and a time to build,
- ⁴ a time to weep and a time to laugh,
a time to mourn and a time to dance,
- ⁵ a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,
- ⁶ a time to search and a time to give up,
a time to keep and a time to throw away,
- ⁷ a time to tear and a time to mend,
a time to be silent and a time to speak,
- ⁸ a time to love and a time to hate,
a time for war and a time for peace.

Reflection & Prayer

Commendation and Farewell

Let us commend Hazel to the mercy of God our Maker and Redeemer.

God our creator and redeemer, by your power Christ conquered death and entered into glory. Confident of his victory and claiming his promises, we entrust Hazel to your mercy in the name of Jesus our Lord, who died and is alive and reigns with you, now and for ever. Amen.

The Committal

We have entrusted our sister to God's mercy, and we now commit her body to be cremated: Earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust in sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our frail bodies that they may be conformed to his glorious body, who died was buried, and rose again for. To him be glory for ever. **Amen.**

Blessing

Friends, this concludes the thanksgiving service, the celebration; we wanted to bring in honour of our mother, friend and family member.

Allow me to close in prayer;

God our father, thank you so much for your grace and your goodness, for your message of hope, for Hazel's life and how it was spent, we pray that we might all aspire to live our lives to the fullest without regret as she did. We thank you that she is now safe in your presence. And we pray that today you fill us with faith, and guide us along our way so that we might end up in the same place when it is our time. The blessing God almighty be upon, now and forever. **Amen**

Acknowledgements:



Hazel's family would like to thank everyone for attending today and celebrating her life.

The collection will be in aid of continuing the work of Kidney Research UK.

