

To Celebrate the Life
of



Edgar Pepper

12th September 1921 - 26th January 2018



ORDER *of* SERVICE



Church of St Mary the Virgin
Plumtree

Friday 9th February 2018
at 3.15 pm

ENTRY MUSIC

Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's *Messiah*

OPENING PRAYER AND SENTENCES

HYMN

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
O'er the world's tempestuous sea;
Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
For we have no help but Thee;
Yet possessing every blessing,
If our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us:
All our weakness Thou dost know;
Thou didst tread this earth before us,
Thou didst feel its keenest woe;
Lone and dreary, faint and weary,
Through the desert Thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending,
Fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
Love with every passion blending,
Pleasure that can never cloy:
Thus provided, pardoned, guided,
Nothing can our peace destroy.

James Edmeston (1791-1867)

ODE TO OUR GRANDPA

read by Donna - granddaughter

IT BROKE OUR HEARTS

read by Jadeen - granddaughter



*Although an engineer, which was
a reserved occupation during
WW2, he also served as a
fireman during this time.*

HYMN

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy,
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, Your arms to embrace,
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Jan Struther (1901-1953)

EULOGY

by John

HE IS GONE

read by Amy - granddaughter

THOSE WE LOVE

read by Kelly - granddaughter

READING

John, Chapter 14:verses 1-4

ADDRESS

PRAYERS

HYMN

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour;
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies:
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!

Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)

COMMENDATION

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL MUSIC

BBC Test Cricket Theme

Soul Limbo

AN EXTRACT FROM CLIFTON CRICKET CLUB WEBSITE

Edgar joined Clifton Cricket Club in 1948, when it reconvened after World War II. Throughout his time with the club he has been Captain, Chairman and, for the past thirteen years, the President. Edgar is married to Mabel, the sister of former Presidents Frank (Sam) and Harold Elliott.

An extremely stylish all-rounder, Edgar played twice for Nottinghamshire Cricket Association in the 1950's. Playing in an era before 'manicured' outfielders and pitches. Edgar's tally of over 6000 runs came at twice the rate of nearly all his team-mates, and his abilities to hit 50s at a time when a team score of 100 was nigh unbeatable was second to none.

With over 420 wickets at less than 10 runs a piece. He played his last game in 1979, however, Edgar stakes a claim to be one of the finest cricketers to ever play for the village; and no doubt would walk into an all-time Clifton Amateur 11.

Edgar was chairman of the club for 16 years, but more recently has suffered from failing eyesight which has curtailed his visits to the ground. That aside, the Club are honoured to have him as President for the 13th year.

1948 - 2018 Edgar was the oldest surviving playing member when elected as President.



Thank you for joining us today to say goodbye to Edgar and to help us
celebrate his long and happy life.
I know Edgar would have appreciated the efforts you have made to be with
us today, so on his behalf, thank you very much.
I would also like to thank you for all your support and kind wishes.

Edgar and I spent almost 8 decades together and shared many
happy memories. He was never happier than when spending time
with our three daughters and their families.
He will be sadly missed by us.

We would really love you to join us after the church service for a cup
of tea and some refreshments at
The Carriage Hall, Perkins, (just a short distance away).
Looking forward to seeing you.

Mabel

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