

A Service of Thanksgiving for
the Life of



Mildred Dorothy Fraser
(Milly)

Aged 91 years

Service conducted by Rev. Canon Stephen Gregory

Cheltenham Crematorium (South) Chapel
Wednesday 24th May 2017
at 1.45pm

Order of Service

Processional Music

'Islands in the Stream' sung by Dolly Parton and Kenny Rogers

Introduction and Welcome

Hymn

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
The emblem of suffering and shame;
And I loved that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

*So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross
And exchange it some day for a crown.*

Oh that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,
Has a wondrous attraction for me:
For the dear Lamb of God left his glory above
To bear it to dark Calvary.

Chorus

In the old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,
A wondrous beauty I see.
For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died
To pardon and sanctify me.

Chorus

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true,
Its shame and reproach gladly bear.
Then he'll call me some day to my home far away,
There his glory for ever I'll share.

Chorus

Reading

Death is nothing at all. I have only slipped away into the next room, I am I and you are you. Whatever we were to each other, that we are still. Call me by my own familiar name, speak to me in the easy way you always used. Put no difference in your tone, wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow. Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes we enjoyed together. Play, smile, think of me, pray for me. Let my name be ever the household word it always was, let it be spoken without effect, without the trace of a shadow on it. Life means all that it ever meant. It is the same as it ever was; there is unbroken continuity. Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight. I am waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near, just around the corner. All is well. Amen

Canon Henry Scott Holland (1847-1918)

Eulogy

Music for Reflection

'Amazing Grace' sung by Judy Collins

Prayers

(concluding with The Lord's Prayer)

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn

The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended,
the darkness falls at thy behest;
to thee our morning hymns ascended,
thy praise shall sanctify our rest.

We thank thee that thy Church unsleeping,
while earth rolls onward into light,
through all the world her watch is keeping,
and rests not now by day or night.

As o'er each continent and island
the dawn leads on another day,
the voice of prayer is never silent,
nor dies the strain of praise away.

The sun that bids us rest is waking
our brethren 'neath the western sky,
and hour by hour fresh lips are making
thy wondrous doings heard on high.

So be it, Lord: thy throne shall never,
like earth's proud empires, pass away;
thy kingdom stands; and grows forever,
till all the creatures own thy sway.

Commendation

Committal

The Blessing

Recessional Music

'From this moment on' sung by Ella Fitzgerald

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