

A Celebration of Life
for

Donald Short

19th June 1931 ~ 8th November 2020



Portchester Crematorium
Wednesday 25th November 2020
12.00 p.m.

Officiant ~ Mr. Paul Hickman

Entrance Music

'All Things Bright and Beautiful' ~ Choir of St Paul's Cathedral

Welcome and Introduction

Opening Words

Reading – Don's Journey Has Just Begun

Don't think of Don as gone away, his journey's just begun;
life holds so many facets, this earth is only one.

Just think of Don as resting from the sorrows and the tears
in a place of warmth and comfort where there are no days and years.

Think how he must be wishing that we could know today
how nothing but our sadness can really pass away.

And think of Don as living in the hearts of those he touched...
for nothing loved is ever lost, and Don was loved so much.

Family Tribute to Don

Time to Reflect

'I Will Always Love You' ~ Whitney Houston

Reading – A Fallen Limb

A limb has fallen from the family tree.
I keep hearing a voice that says, 'Grieve not for me
Remember the best times, the laughter, the song.
The good life I lived while I was strong.
Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you.
Keep smiling and surely the sun will shine through.
My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest.
Remembering all, how I truly was blessed.
Continue traditions, no matter how small.
Go on with your life, don't worry about falls
I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin.
Until the day comes we're together again'

Thanksgiving for Don

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who
trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory
are yours now and for ever. *Amen.*

Commendation and Farewell

Reading – Feel No Guilt in Laughter

Feel no guilt in laughter; Don knew how much you cared.
Feel no sorrow in a smile that he is not here to share.
You cannot grieve forever; he would not want you to.
Don would hope that you could carry on the way you always do.
So, talk about the good times and the way you showed you cared,
the days you spent together, all the happiness you shared.
Let memories surround you, a word someone may say
will suddenly recapture a time, an hour, a day,
that brings Don back as clearly as though he were still here,
and fills you with the feeling that he is always near.
For if you keep those moments, you will never be apart,
and Don will live forever, locked safely within, your heart.

Blessing

Closing words

Closing Music
'My Way' ~ Frank Sinatra



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