

*To Celebrate the Life  
of*



# Gwendoline Ivy Ruff

6th October 1928 - 14th November 2023

Markeaton Crematorium, The Round Chapel  
Tuesday 5th December 2023 at 2.00 pm



# Order of Service

## **Music to Enter**

Unforgettable

Nat King Cole

## **Welcome**

## **Open Sentences of Scripture**

## Hymn

*All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord God made them all.*

Each little flower that opens,  
Each little bird that sings,  
He made their glowing colours,  
He made their tiny wings:

The purple-headed mountain,  
The river running by,  
The sunset, and the morning  
That brightens up the sky:

The cold wind in the winter,  
The pleasant summer sun,  
The ripe fruits in the garden,  
He made them every one:

He gave us eyes to see them,  
And lips that we might tell  
How great is God Almighty,  
Who has made all things well:

*All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord God made them all.*

*Cecil Frances Humphreys Alexander (1818-1895)*

## Poem

Footprints In The Sand  
read by Julian, grandson

One night a man had a dream.  
He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord.  
Across the sky flashed scenes from his life.  
For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand,  
one belonging to him and the other to the Lord.  
When the last scene of his life flashed before him,  
he looked back at the footprints in the sand.  
He noticed that many times along the path of his life  
there was only one set of footprints.  
He also noticed that it happened  
at the very lowest and saddest times in his life.  
This really bothered him  
and he questioned the Lord about it.  
'Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you,  
you'd walk with me all the way.  
But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times  
in my life, there is only one set of footprints.  
I don't understand why, when I needed you most,  
you would leave me.'  
The Lord replied, 'My precious, precious child,  
I love you and I would never leave you.  
During your times of trial and suffering,  
when you see only one set of footprints,  
it was then that I carried you.'

## Address

### Prayers

*ending 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.

**Commendation**

**Committal**

**Blessing**

**Music to Exit**

You'll Never Walk Alone  
Gerry and The Pacemakers

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