

IN LOVING MEMORY OF



KEN BENFIELD

17th April 1940 ~ 7th January 2020

Tuesday 21st January 2020 at 10.40 am
Markeaton Crematorium





ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL MUSIC

Au fond du Temple Saint from *The Pearl Fishers' Duet*

INTRODUCTION

Reverend Pete White



HYMN

Jerusalem

Northampton Bach Choir

And did those feet in ancient time
Walk upon England's mountains green?

And was the holy Lamb of God
On England's pleasant pastures seen?

And did the countenance divine
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?

And was Jerusalem builded here
Among these dark satanic mills?

Bring me my bow of burning gold!

Bring me my arrows of desire!

Bring me my spear: O clouds unfold!

Bring me my chariot of fire!

I will not cease from mental fight,
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand:

Till we have built Jerusalem,
In England's green and pleasant land.

REFLECTING ON KEN'S LIFE

READING

written by Ken

Come aboard my time machine
For a trip to ancient times;
No longer will you have to dream
Or listen to ancient rimes.

We'll set the dial to any date
And go and seek the truth,
We'll see if Adam was first mate,
And if Henry was uncouth.

Let's do the grand tour of history,
Stop at any date you wish.
Did Moses really part the sea?
And what about all them fish?

So welcome to my time machine,
You'll enjoy the trip, I'm sure.
A traveller on my fanciful dream,
But isn't that what dreams are for?

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,
forever and ever. Amen.

SPECIAL THANKS

by son, John





ACT OF FAREWELL

Not How Did He Die

Not how did he die, but how did he live?
Not what did he gain, but what did he give?
These are the units to measure the worth
Of a man as a man, regardless of birth.
Not, what was his church, nor what was his creed,
But had he befriended those really in need?
Was he ever ready, with word of good cheer,
To bring back a smile, to banish a tear?
Not what did the sketch in the newspaper say,
But how many were sorry when he passed away?



HYMN

Abide With Me

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, oh, 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;
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

CLOSING WORDS

Think of me as one at rest,
for me you should not weep.
I have no pain, no troubled thoughts,
for I am just asleep.
The living, thinking me that was
is now forever still,
and life goes on without me now,
as time forever will.

If your heart is heavy now
because I've gone away,
dwell not long upon it, friend,
for none of us can stay.
Those of you who liked me,
I sincerely thank you all,
and those of you who loved me,
I thank you most of all.

And in my fleeting lifespan,
as time went rushing by,
I found some time to hesitate,
to laugh, to love, to cry.
Matters it now if time began,
if time will ever cease?
I was here, I used it all,
and now I am at peace.

RECESSIONAL MUSIC

Have A Drink On Me by Lonnie Donegan





Acknowledgements

The family of Ken would like to thank you for attending today and are grateful for your kindness and words of support during this time.

They would like to warmly welcome you all to Littleover Social Club, 61 Blagreaves Lane, Derby DE23 1FQ for a celebration of Ken's life and a buffet lunch, following this service.

Any donations made in loving memory of Ken will support
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