



A Service to Celebrate the Life of

Avril Jean Cooper

4th April 1935 - 8th September 2024

Much-loved, never forgotten

Markeaton Crematorium

Friday 27th September 2024 at 1.30 pm



Order of Service

Entrance Music

Unforgettable

Nat King Cole

Welcome and Opening Words

by Lisa Bonito,

Independent Celebrant

*“When we lose someone we love,
we must learn not to live without them,
but to live with the love they leave behind.”*

Hymn

The King of love my shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His,
And He is mine for ever.

Where streams of living water flow,
My ransomed soul He leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feedeth.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill,
With Thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.

And so through all the length of days,
Thy goodness faileth never:
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
Within Thy house for ever.

Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877)

My Mum
written by Tracey

Personal Tributes
by Avril's grandchildren

Remembering Avril

Visual Tribute and Reflection
Music: The Way We Were
Barbra Streisand

Poem

Death Is Nothing At All

Death is nothing at all.

It does not count.

I have only slipped away into the next room.

Nothing has happened.

Everything remains exactly as it was.

I am I, and you are you,

and the old life that we lived so fondly together

is untouched, unchanged.

Whatever we were to each other, that we are still.

Call me by the old familiar name.

Speak of me in the easy way which you always used.

Put no difference into your tone.

Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow.

Laugh as we always laughed
at the little jokes that we enjoyed together.
Play, smile, think of me, pray for me.
Let my name be ever the household word that it always was.
Let it be spoken without an effort,
without the ghost of a shadow upon it.

Life means all that it ever meant.
It is the same as it ever was.
There is absolute and unbroken continuity.
What is this death but a negligible accident?

Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight?
I am but waiting for you, for an interval,
somewhere very near, just round the corner.

All is well.
Nothing is hurt; nothing is lost.
One brief moment and all will be as it was before.
How we shall laugh at the trouble of parting when we meet again!

Henry Scott Holland



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.

Words of Farewell

Exit Music

Big Spender

Shirley Bassey





Thank you for being a part of Avril's service.
Your kind words and support at this time are most appreciated.

Following the service, you are warmly invited to join the family at
The Red Cow, 2 St Edmund's Close, Allestree, Derby DE22 2DZ.

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