

Celebrating the Life of

Norman Badrock

10th June 1940 - 15th August 2022



Cheltenham Crematorium, Oak Chapel
Friday 2nd September 2022 at 2.00 pm



Entrance Music

Let It Be

by The Beatles

Words for his Father

by Steven Badrock

Words of Welcome

by Alex Rigby

A Daughter's Tribute

by Linda Davies

A Grandson's Tribute

by Jono Davies, read by Steven Davies

Tribute to Norman

read by Alex Rigby

Words of Farewell

Exit Music

You'll Never Walk Alone

by Gerry and The Pacemakers

Grandad

'The gift that kept on giving.'

Two things come to mind when I think of my Grandad. Big hearted and hoof hearted some would say. The second is simply the word, Generous.

A man who captured the hearts of others through an act of fatherhood, care and generosity. I'm not going to list all of them here, but I'm sure if you all close your eyes, there is one way or another during your life, that Norman made you feel welcome and helped you along your path when the road was unclear.

Luckily for me my Grandad was around for a whole 30 years of my life. And that in itself is a privilege that so many before, have never been

so freely granted. I look back at all those years now and notice all the similarities we share and the lessons he has taught me. A wealth of cheeky stories and knowledge shared over the years, that helped formed my humour and my personality, some for the good and some for the bad!

Badrock, a rare surname today, is shared by only a few hundred people in the world. It has Anglo Saxon origins with references to power, nobility and battle. Certain figures become heroes in our lives, and to me he was one of them. Maybe not like the comics, but big hearted, big bellied and a belly full of laughs! Blue cars, even bluer boats, and always a 20-pound note when I shook his hand. No more, no less. Even when I turned 30, he would still try and slip me a 20-pound note to have a few drinks, but more importantly, it was to share a few drinks, with the people who I cared about, and my friends. He always taught me the phrase “first out the taxi, last to the bar”... Don’t be that guy!

My most iconic memory I will leave you with is on a bliss hot summer’s day in Aberporth, West Wales. Hoof hearted was anchored on the glistening beach at Deadman’s, and treasure had apparently been found. As a 5-year-old only child, this was big news! I grabbed that bottle out of the sea where we found it bobbing around and inside we found the map of the treasure’s location. Teabags and one of Badders’ lighters really did the trick on the 100-year-old browned and stained paper! So as pirates we went, we clambered up the cliff from the beach to the stream at the top of the ridge, and over the 3 large stones to the grass. There it was, buried in the ground, mud, dust and all, just like the map had been drawn... a treasure chest! I had never been so excited. We would get back to the beach with my friends and every day for the rest of the holiday, we would be so proud of our new found treasure that we showed off to the beach. That to me was true happiness that day.

Now all these years later, after all the rolling waves that have pounded the slate stricken shores of our beautiful bay, all the smiles and the laughs and mono ski carves. The long summer nights of wine and music, “Mackereli” and Grandad hugs... I now laugh, knowing that the treasure chest is just a worthless chest of pennies and fodder!

The true treasure that day was there all along.
Every step of the way and forever and a day. My Grandad. Our Norm.

It’s now time to pass that treasure on,
because a wise man once said; “You can’t have it all curly!”

Love always,
Your grandson Jono.



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