

A Service to Celebrate the Life of

*Frank Fisher*



26th September 1947 - 18th October 2016

Mansfield Crematorium

Friday 18th November 2016 at 11.00 am

Service conducted by Mr Keith Brown

## **Entrance Music**

Fire And Rain - James Taylor

## **Welcome and Opening Words**

### **Poem**

When Great Trees Fall

When great trees fall, rocks on distant hills shudder, lions hunker  
down in tall grasses, and even elephants lumber after safety.

When great trees fall in forests, small things recoil into silence,  
their senses eroded beyond fear.

When great souls die, the air around us becomes light, rare, sterile.

We breathe, briefly.

Our eyes, briefly, see with a hurtful clarity.

Our memory, suddenly sharpened, examines,  
gnaws on kind words unsaid, promised walks never taken.

Great souls die and our reality, bound to them, takes leave of us.

Our souls, dependent upon their nurture, now shrink, wizened.

Our minds, formed and informed by their radiance, fall away.

We are not so much maddened as reduced to the  
unutterable ignorance of dark, cold caves.

And when great souls die, after a period, peace blooms,  
slowly and always irregularly.

Spaces fill with a kind of soothing electric vibration.

Our senses, restored, never to be the same, whisper to us.

They existed. They existed.

We can be. Be and be better. For they existed.

## **Tribute to Frank**

### **Memories**

by Sally and read by Keith

### **Reflection Song**

I Wish It Would Rain - The Temptations



## **Tribute**

by Alan Palatal

## **Announcements**

### **Song**

Into My Arms - Nick Cave and the Bad Seeds

### **Words of Encouragement**

#### **Committal and Farewell**

Epitaph On A Friend - R. Burns

An honest man here lies at rest,  
The friend of man, the friend of truth;  
The friend of age, and guide of youth:  
Few hearts like his, with virtue warm'd,  
Few heads with knowledge so inform'd:  
If there's another world, he lives in bliss;  
If there is none, he made the best of this.

*Robert Burns*

### **Exit Music**

Starman - David Bowie



The family would like to thank you all for being here today and for your kind messages of love and sympathy at this sad time.

You are warmly invited to join us after the service at Il Rosso, 180 Nottingham Road, Mansfield NG18 4AF.

Donations in memory of Frank will be going to  
**Cancer Research UK**  
and can be left in the donations box  
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at the address below  
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