In loving memory of



Frederick Theophilus Kelly (Fred)

19th June 1952 - 10th December 2017

St George's Church,
St George's Drive, The Meadows, Nottingham
Wednesday 10th January 2018 at 10.00 am
Officiating: Father Michael Knight



Order of Service

Frederick Theophilus Kelly (Fred) was born on 19th June 1952 to Audrey Kelly and Cedric James, on the island of St Kitts in the Caribbean, where he lived until 1963, until he journeyed with his Aunty Becky to England.

Fred's second home was Nottingham, where he lived for many years, and although he moved away from the area he would frequently return to see his family and friends.

Fred worked as a tailor for a brief period, but this was not his career of choice. Fred found his vocation at the Royal Mail, where he held a variety of positions until he retired in February 2017. He was a popular manager and was voted manager of the year by his team in 2015 - something he was extremely proud of.

Throughout his life, Fred had a passion for all music, particularly Beres Hammond, The Temptations and R. Kelly, and would frequently be heard singing their songs (although not always in key).

He was also a long-suffering fan of Nottingham Forest Football Club and would travel all over the country to watch them play. This stopped on 15th April 1989 after he witnessed the Hillsborough disaster. His passion for the game, however, remained strong but he would watch from his armchair or with friends at his local.

Fred was a humble man with an unwavering positive outlook on life. He was a proud father and grandfather and strived to build and maintain a good relationship with his sons and his daughter (his little princess). His philosophy on life was to live every day like it is your last and be nice to everyone you meet, even if they are not the same to you. He would do anything for his family, including going on a roller coaster for the first time with his grandson Makail, who was heard to say 'grandad knows a lot of naughty words' at the end of their ride.

One thing many will remember about Fred is his daily quotes on his love for life and his family; it therefore feels appropriate to end with some quotes:

Think of your family today and every day thereafter. Don't let the busy world of today keep you from showing how much you love and appreciate your family.

To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die.



The Sentences

Hymn

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come:
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail, And mortal life shall cease: I shall possess, within the veil, A life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.

John Newton (1725-1807)



The Reading Revelation, Chapter 21

The Address

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Hymn

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed;

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee, How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee, How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze:

Then sings my soul...

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die - I scarce can take it in:
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin;
Then sings my soul...

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,
And take me home - what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul...

Stuart K. Hine (1899-1989)



The Prayers

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.

Viewing during which 'I Believe I Can Fly and 'Down By The River' will be played

The Commendation

Nunc Dimittis

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Following the service, interment will take place at Wilford Hill Cemetery, Loughborough Road, Nottingham NG2 7FE.

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A.W. Lymn

The Family Funeral Service
or left online at
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The family would like to thank everyone for their kind words and support at this sad time.

All are welcome for refreshments at
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