In Loving Memory of



Arthur Sansom

## 25th July 1919 - 23rd January 2021

**Bramcote Crematorium** Monday 15th February 2021 at 3.30 pm



Order of Service

Conducted by Denise Winwood

Entrance Music Morning Mood from Peer Gynt

**Edvard Grieg** 

Welcome by Denise Winwood

"King Arthur" by Sharon Sipple



Hymn Onward Christian Soldiers Salvation Army Band and Choir

Address

by Denise Winwood

Hymn Make Me A Channel Of Your Peace Westminster Abbey Choir

Prayers





Commendation and Committal

Music on Leaving O Tannenbaum

O Tannenbaum Sir Colin Davis and the London Symphony Orchestra

Eulogy

A Long And Full Life

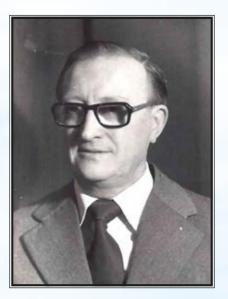
Arthur Sansom was born on 25th July 1919. After leaving school he worked as an odd job man in a city centre shop.

In 1939, he enlisted into the army and served for the duration of World War II. He was part of the British forces evacuated from France in 1940. In 1944 he landed in Normandy under fire in a crashed glider. When asked if, looking back, he was scared, he replied with typical Arthur modesty, "We knew it was dangerous!" He was one of that great generation prepared to take on and defeat the evils of fascism. We are very proud of him and were delighted when he was recognised for his role in the liberation of France, with the presentation of the Legion d'Honneur on his hundredth birthday.

Towards the end of the war, he met Nina in The Pheasant pub in Radford. They married in 1947 and last August they celebrated their 73rd wedding anniversary. They were to have four children, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

After the war, Arthur worked as an aircraft electrician at Avro in Langar. When Langar closed in 1968, he worked as an electrician at Chilwell Ordnance Depot. Throughout this time, he was an active member of the electrician's trade union, the EETPU. For the last 10 years of his career, he worked as a regional full time official for the EETPU, before his retirement in 1982. A Labour Party member since 1946 he held various positions in his branch and constituency parties and was to be seen out canvassing and leafleting at every local and national election. In retirement, Arthur spent much time outdoors. Together with Nina, he took many Mediterranean holidays and spent much time at their caravan club in Charnwood Forest. They were taking country cottage holidays with family members until Arthur was in his mid-90s.

For the last five and a half years of his life, Arthur lived at Hall Park Care Home in Bulwell with Nina in an adjacent room. He developed a great rapport with the lovely carers there and became known by the title of King Arthur. A fitting title for a wonderful man!



Rest in Peace, King Arthur.



The family wish to express their thanks to all relatives, friends and all who helped care for Arthur, and for all the kind expressions of sympathy.

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