



A Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of
Margaret Pamela Rowland

21st October 1939 - 15th December 2019

Wednesday 8th January 2020
Emmanuel Church,
Normanton Road, South Croydon CR2 7AF
at 11.00 am

Order of Service

Officiating: Mr Jeremy Davies
and Lieutenant Colonel Peter Wood



Opening Music

Ave Maria

Andrea Bocelli

Welcome, Introduction and Prayer

Mr Jeremy Davies

Hymn

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Tune: Praise My Soul

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand;
set your minds on things eternal,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descending
comes our homage to command.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
once upon the earth he stood;
Lord of lords we now perceive him
in his body and his blood
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven
stream before him on the way;
as the Light of light descending
from the realms of endless day
vanquishes the power of evil,
clears the gloom of hell away.

At his feet the six-winged seraphs,
cherubim with sleepless eye,
veil their faces in his presence
as with ceaseless voice they cry:
Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, Lord most high!

Trans: Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885)

Poem

Remember Me

read by Ben Walkling

Don't remember me with sadness,
Don't remember me with tears.
Remember all the laughter
We've shared throughout the years.

Now I am contented
That my life it was worthwhile,
Knowing that I passed along the way,
I made somebody smile.

When you are walking down the street
And you've got me on your mind,
I'm walking in your footsteps,
Only half a step behind.

So please don't be unhappy
Just because I'm out of sight,
Remember that I'm with you
Each morning, noon and night.

Eulogy

by Stephen Rowland, son

Music for Reflection and Remembrance

The Lonely Shepherd

Lars Van Kampt



Poem

Look For Me In Rainbows

read by Diana Martin, long-time friend

Time for me to go now, I won't say goodbye;
Look for me in rainbows, way up in the sky.
In the morning sunrise when all the world is new,
Just look for me and love me, as you know I loved you.

Time for me to leave you, I won't say goodbye;
Look for me in rainbows, high up in the sky.
In the evening sunset, when all the world is through,
Just look for me and love me, and I'll be close to you.

It won't be forever, the day will come and then
My loving arms will hold you, when we meet again.

Time for us to part now, we won't say goodbye;
Look for me in rainbows, shining in the sky.
Every waking moment, and all your whole life through
Just look for me and love me, as you know I loved you.

Just wish me to be near you,
And I'll be there with you.

Tributes

on behalf of the family
read by Peter Wood



From Maggie

My favourite things (and a few things I don't like!)

I Like:

The colour blue
Roses, sweet peas, ivy, lily of the valley, bluebells and snowdrops
Big red strawberries, big black cherries and yellow peaches
Silence
Woods and trees
Birds singing
The sound of rain on the windowpane
Coffee and walnut cake
Classical music
Perfume
Bowls

I Don't Like:

The smell of curry
Barbecue
Fish
Excessive noise
Incessant loud music
Rap music
Kiss FM (radio)
Arrogance
The cold
Sushi
Shellfish
Pungent aftershave

Scripture Reading and Reflection

1 Corinthians, Chapter 13: verses 1-13

Mr Jeremy Davies

Prayers

followed by

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.
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.



Poem

Love And Go On

read by Emma Hookway

You can shed tears that she is gone,
Or you can **smile** because she lived.
You can close your eyes and pray that she will come back,
Or you can open your eyes and see all that she has left.

Your heart can be empty because you can't see her,
Or you can be full of the love that you shared.
You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday,
Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.

You can remember her and only that she is gone,
Or you can cherish her memory and let it live on.
You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back,
Or you can do what Maggie would want: **smile**, open your eyes,
Love, and go on.



Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Tune: Blaenwern

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of Heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every longing heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above;
Pray and praise thee without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee.
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in Heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love and praise.

Charles Wesley (1707-88)

Commendation, Prayer and Benediction

Closing Music

Ain't No Sunshine When She's Gone

Bill Withers

The Lark Ascending

Ralph Vaughan Williams

*Following the church service,
please proceed to the wake at*

The Chateau,

Coombe Lane, Croydon CR0 5RE.







Donations in memory of Margaret Rowland can be made to
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