

*In Loving Memory
of*



Paul John Yates

28th June 1954 - 19th March 2024

Serenity Chapel, Bramcote Crematorium

Friday 19th April 2024

at 1.00 pm



Order of Service

Led by Celebrant, John Else

Entrance Music

Love Me Tender
Elvis Presley

Welcome

Poem

My Funeral by Wendy Cope

I hope I can trust you, friends, not to use our relationship
As an excuse for an unsolicited ego-trip.

I have seen enough of them at funerals and they make me cross.

At this one, though deceased, I aim to be the boss.

If you are asked to talk about me for five minutes, please do not go on for eight;

There is a strict timetable at the crematorium and nobody wants to be late.

If invited to read a poem, just read the bloody poem. If requested to sing

A song, just sing it, as suggested, and don't say anything.

Though I will not be there,

Glancing pointedly at my watch and fixing the speaker with a malevolent stare,

Remember that this was how I always reacted

When I felt that anybody's speech,

sermon or poetry reading was becoming too protracted.

Yes, I was intolerant, and not always polite.

And if there aren't many people at my funeral, it will serve me right.



Eulogy

Reflection Music

The Wanderer
Dion

Tribute

by Paul's sister, Jack

Poem

An Eternal Memory Until We Meet Again

by Zahahd Irfan

Those special memories of you will always bring a smile,
If only I could have you back just for a while.
Then we could sit and talk again, just like we used to do,
You always meant so very much and always will do, too.
The fact that you're no longer here will always cause me pain,
But you're forever in my heart until we meet again.

Poem

Let Me Go by Christina Rossetti

When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room;
Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little, but not for long
And not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that once we shared;
Miss me, but let me go.

For this is a journey we all must take,
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the master plan,
A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick at heart,
Go to the friends we know.
Laugh at all the things we used to do;
Miss me, but let me go.

Committal

Exit Music

Will You Love Me Tomorrow
The Shirelles





The family would like to thank everyone for their kind words and support at this sad time.

All are welcome for light refreshment at the Headstocks, Bagnall Road, Nottingham NG6 8SF.

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