



A SERVICE TO CELEBRATE THE LIFE OF  
**DUNCAN EDWARD FOX**

17th April 1939 - 15th November 2023



*Much loved and never forgotten*

Markeaton Crematorium - Round Chapel

Friday 22nd December 2023 at 10.30 am



# ORDER OF SERVICE

ENTRANCE MUSIC  
The Lark Ascending

WELCOME AND OPENING WORDS  
by Lisa Bonito, Independent Celebrant



## POEM

### The Gentle Gardener

I'd like to leave but daffodils  
to mark my little way,  
To leave but tulips red and white  
behind me as I stray;  
I'd like to pass away from earth  
and feel I'd left behind  
But roses and forget-me-nots  
for all who come to find.

I'd like to sow the barren spots  
with all the flowers of earth,  
To leave a path where those who come  
should find but gentle mirth;  
And when at last I'm called upon  
to join the heavenly throng  
I'd like to feel along my way  
I'd left no sign of wrong.

And yet the cares are many  
and the hours of toil are few;  
There is not time enough on earth  
for all I'd like to do;  
But, having lived and having toiled,  
I'd like the world to find  
Some little touch of beauty  
that my soul had left behind.

*Edgar Albert Guest*

REMEMBERING DUNCAN

REFLECTION MUSIC  
Up Pompeii Theme

POEM

Think Of Me As One At Rest

Think of me as one at rest,  
for me you should not weep  
I have no pain no troubled thoughts  
for I am just asleep  
The living thinking me that was,  
is now forever still  
And life goes on without me now,  
as time forever will.

If your heart is heavy now  
because I've gone away  
Dwell not long upon it friend  
For none of us can stay  
Those of you who liked me,  
I sincerely thank you all  
And those of you who loved me,  
I thank you most of all.

And in my fleeting lifespan,  
as time went rushing by  
I found some time to hesitate,  
to laugh, to love, to cry  
Matters it now if time began  
If time will ever cease?  
I was here, I used it all,  
and now I am at peace.

## TIME TO SAY FAREWELL

Into the freedom of wind and sunshine,

We let you go.

Into the dance of the stars and the planets,

We let you go.

Into the wind's breath and the hands of the star maker,

We let you go.

We love you, we miss you, we want you to be happy,

Go safely, go dancing, go running home.

## CONCLUDING MUSIC

Ever Loving

Moby





Frances and family would like to thank you all for coming  
and warmly invite you to join them at  
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