



*"Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."*

June, Jacqueline, Kevin and family are very grateful for your kindness, cards, flowers and words of support, which have been a great comfort to them at this sad time.

All are welcome for light refreshment at Festival Inn,
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TO CELEBRATE THE LIFE OF

JOHN THOMAS BISHOP

6th March 1934 - 21st October 2022



Bramcote Crematorium, Reflection Chapel

Tuesday 8th November 2022
at 10.30 am

ORDER OF SERVICE

Taken by Reverend James Lindsay

OPENING MUSIC

I Love You Because

Jim Reeves

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION



*"May the Lord bless you and keep you,
the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you,
the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace."*

(Numbers 6:24-26)



POEM

The Little Things

We gather to remember the little things that made
a special place in our heart.

To remember those happy times when we laughed
and those times when our hearts broke as one.

For who could put a price on memory?

We gather to share the pain,

To share memories and stories; to forgive and not to blame.

To laugh and to cry and not try to hide our tears.

For who can ever take away the pain?

We gather to share the precious gift of grief.

To stand beside you with love and support,
and not be uncomfortable with your tears.

To allow you the gift of mourning our loss and not lose patience.

We gather with gratitude for experiences we have enjoyed.

Grief is God's way of healing a broken heart.

Draw near to Him in faith and receive comfort, peace
and the wonderful hope of eternity in your heart.

READING

Ecclesiastes, Chapter 3: verses 1-4 and 9-13

A time for everything

There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under the heavens:

a time to be born and a time to die,

a time to plant and a time to uproot,

a time to kill and a time to heal,

a time to tear down and a time to build,

a time to weep and a time to laugh,

a time to mourn and a time to dance ...

What do workers gain from their toil? I have seen the burden
God has laid on the human race. He has made everything beautiful
in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom
what God has done from beginning to end. I know that there is nothing better for
people than to be happy and to do good while they live. That each of them may
eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil - this is the gift of God.

PRAYERS FOR COMFORT



HYMN

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now I'm 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!

And, when this heart and flesh 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 first begun.

John Newton (1725-1807)

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.

FAMILY TRIBUTE

love from Kevin and Jacqueline



POEM

As We Look Back

As we look back over time
we find ourselves wondering,
did we remember to thank you enough
for all you have done for us?
For all the times you were by our sides
to help and support us;
to celebrate our successes
to understand our problems
and accept our defeats?
Or for teaching us by your example,
the value of hard work, good judgement,
courage and integrity?
We wonder if we ever thanked you
for the sacrifices you made
to let us have the very best?
And for the simple things
like laughter, smiles and times we shared?
If we have forgotten to show our
gratitude enough for all the things you did,
we're thanking you now,
and we are hoping you knew all along,
how much you meant, and still mean to us.

(Clare Jones)

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

What A Wonderful World

Louis Armstrong

READING

Revelation, Chapter 21: verses 3-5

I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,
“Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people,
and he will dwell with them. They will be his people,
and God himself will be with them and be their God.

‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes.

There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain,
for the old order of things has passed away.

He who was seated on the throne said,

“I am making everything new!” Then he said,

“Write this down, for these words
are trustworthy and true.”

COMMENDATION AND FAREWELL

POEM

Celebrate My Life

Remember me with love and joy,
Let gratitude fill your heart...
Thankful for the times we had,
Gone...yet not apart.
If we measured life in moments
Not in months or years,
I lived a hundred lifetimes
Loved by all who hold me dear.

I hope you'll find your smile,
And generously speak my name.
Share stories and my heart,
Your love for life unchanged.
Celebrate the life I lived,
I'll be watching from above.
I am always with you,
Sending you my light and love.

READING

Psalms 100

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.

Know that the Lord is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;

give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations.

PRAYER AND BLESSING

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all,
now and for evermore. Amen.

CLOSING MUSIC

We'll Meet Again

Vera Lynn