

*To Celebrate the Life
of*



**Steven Dixon
'Steve'**

22nd December 1962 - 7th October 2021

Mansfield Crematorium, Thoresby Chapel
Monday 1st November 2021 at 11.15 am



Order of Service

Officiated by Jon Harris



Processional Music

Ave Maria

by Richard Quine

Welcome and Introduction

by Jon Harris

Eulogy

by Jon Harris, friends Caroline Toulson, Phil Cumberpatch
and Nick Harris, and sons Phill and Joe Dixon.



Poem

What Is Dying by Bishop Brent

A ship sails in the morning breeze,
And I stand watching till he fades on the horizon,

And someone at my side says:

“He is gone.”

Gone! Where? Gone from my sight—that is all.

He is just as large as when I last saw him.

The diminished size and total loss of sight is in me, not in him,
And just at the moment when someone at my side says, “He is gone”

There are others who are watching him coming,
And other voices take up a glad shout: “There he comes!”

And that is dying.



Reflection Words and Music
On My Own from the musical *Les Misérables*
by Lea Salonga

Farewell



Blessing

Steve, wherever you go,
May your laughter light the way.
Whatever you encounter,
May happiness open its gates.
Whoever you meet,
May they take pleasure in your company.
For you, above all, brought life, light, and love
To all that you touched.

Farewell to you, but not farewell
To all our fondest thoughts of you:
Within our hearts they still shall dwell;
And they shall cheer and comfort us.
And so, wherever you may be,
You are blessed.
Just as we are blessed,
And this world, in the knowing of you.



Closing Words and Police Ode

Sgt Des Noonan and Police Chaplain, Reverend Barry May

As the sun surely sets,
Dawn will see it arise.
For service above self,
Demands its own prize.

You have fought the good fight,
Life's race has been run,
And peace, your reward,
For eternity begun.

And we that are left
Shall never forget.
Rest in peace, husband, father,
Grandad, friend and colleague,
For your sun has now set.

We will remember,
We will remember,
Hasten the dawn.

Recessional Music

Never Gonna Give You Up
by Rick Astley





Marie, Phill and Joe would like to thank you all for your kind messages of support and love at this sad time, and thank you for attending the service here today.

You are warmly invited to join them after the committal for light refreshment at The Oakham Suite, 155 Nottingham Road, Mansfield NG18 4AE and continue to remember Steve together.

Donations in memory of Steve will be going to
Macmillan Cancer Support.

Donations can be left in the donation box at the end of the service, sent care of A. W. Lymn, The Family Funeral Service at the address below or with Gift Aid where appropriate at www.lymn.co.uk/obituaries

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