



A gathering in love to celebrate  
and give thanks for the life of

# **Brenda Margaret Banfield**

24th December 1935 ~ 20th June 2016

Funeral Service  
Wednesday 6th July 2016  
Exeter & Devon Crematorium  
11.30am  
St Peter's Chapel

Service taken by Chas Deacon

## **Entrance Music**

*'Always look on the bright side of life'*

Eric Idle

## **The Welcome**

Chas Deacon

## **A family tribute to Brenda**

### **Emily shares the poem**

*'I had a wonderful Nanna'*

I had a wonderful Nanna,  
who never really grew old;  
her smile was made of sunshine,  
and her heart was solid gold;  
her eyes were as bright as shining stars,  
and in her cheek fair roses you see.  
I had a wonderful Nanna  
and that's the way it will always be.

## **Music**

*'She wears my ring'*

Solomon King

## **The Poem**

***'She is gone'***

is read by Tony

You can shed tears that she is gone,  
Or you can smile because she has lived.  
You can close your eyes and pray that she will come back,  
Or you can open your eyes and see all she has left.  
Your heart can be empty because you cannot see her,  
Or you can be full of the love 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 has 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 she would want: smile, open your eyes, love and go on.

*David Harkins*

**As we listen to Elvis 'Crying in The Chapel'  
we have our own thoughts of Brenda**

## **The Farewell**

**Words of Thanksgiving and Strength**

## **Recessional Music**

***'American Trilogy'***

Elvis Presley



*Sid and family wish to thank you for attending  
the service today, for your prayers,  
messages of sympathy and kind donations.*

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