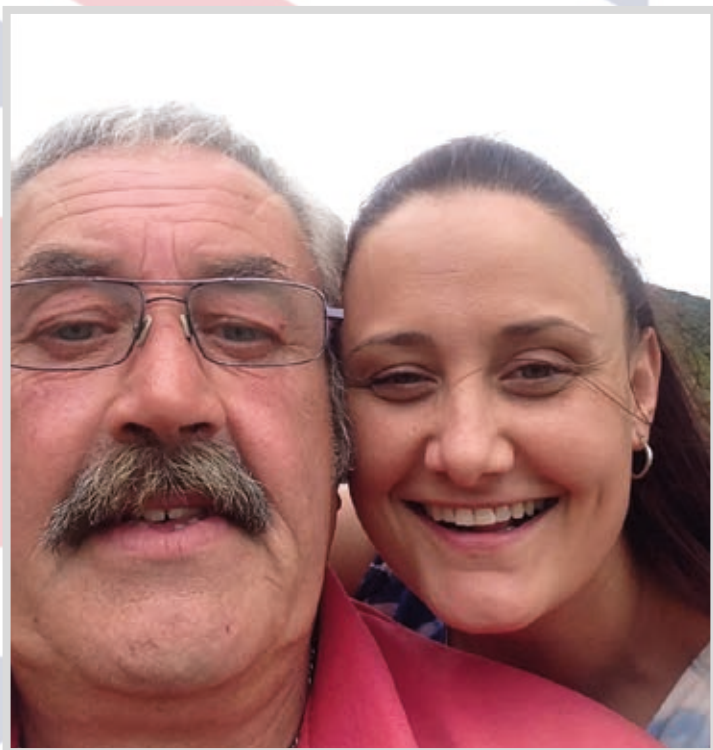


IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
**LESLIE TOWNSEND**  
**'MICK'**

20th August 1955 - 12th December 2024



Thursday 9th January 2025 at 1.00 pm  
St Matthew's Church, Boughton



## OPENING MUSIC

Beat You There  
Will Dempsey

## WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYERS

### HYMN

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide;  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
Change and decay in all around I see—  
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour;  
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?  
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless;  
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness;  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies;  
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

*Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)*



## FAMILY TRIBUTES

## BIBLE READINGS

Psalm 23  
and  
1 Corinthians, Chapter 13

## THE ADDRESS

Reverend Richard Hanford

## THE PRAYERS

### 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.

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PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

FINAL BLESSING

CLOSING MUSIC  
Purple Rain  
Prince

*Committal to follow at Ollerton Cemetery*



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

All are welcome for light refreshment at Ollerton House, Wellow Road, Ollerton.

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