

In Loving Memory of Gerald Ernest Lancaster

19th October 1924 \sim 27th June 2018

Funeral Service Monday 16th July 2018 Exeter & Devon Crematorium 1.30pm St Peter's Chapel

Service taken by Mark Gilborson

Entrance Music

Canon in D Pachelbel - London Symphony Orchestra

Opening Words

Tributes and Memories written by Marian, Martin and Claire, and read by Mark

Music for Reflection

Piano Concerto No. 21 in C. Andante Mozart - Alfred Brendel & Academy of St. Martin in the Fields

To include reading of the Poem 'Driving Home' written by Marian

We drive into the sun glare punishing our eyes the road ahead seen through a mist of lashes. Distant layered hills beckon us on. Long crisp shadows make a drama of the countryside.

I want to grab this moment, press it in a poetry book and take it out when I'm too old to drive the dazzled road. Then I can remember you and Devon and this day of little consequence but gentle pleasure.

Committal

Closing words to include the words of the poem 'Epitaph' written by Marian

You're in my mind's eye, don't need no clichéd photograph. Wherever I may be you're there with me. I take you out, breathe on the glass and shine your face, you're stuck on me, you're in my space. My eyes ran dry the day I saw you die.

> Life's sad. Death's sadder – Infinitesimally it's creeping up on me. I hear you laugh, try to shake me free but till that day I'll be your epitaph.

Recessional Music

Canon in D Pachelbel - London Symphony Orchestra Marian, Martin and Claire wish to thank you for attending the service today, for your messages of sympathy and kind donations.

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