



*To Celebrate  
the Life of*

*Maris Joan Butler  
Mavis*

22nd November 1937 - 28th March 2025

Mansfield Crematorium,  
Newstead Chapel

Wednesday 30th April 2025  
at 2.00 pm





# *Order of Service*

*Led by Phillip Dackombe, Civil Celebrant*

## *The Welcome*

## *Music to Enter*

One More Night  
Michael Kiwanuka

## *Welcome and Introduction*

from Phillip Dackombe





*The Celebration of Life*

*Remembering Mavis*

*Tribute*

from Alan Litchfield

*Tribute*

from Bob Langford

## *Reflection Music*

Morning Has Broken  
played by Dominic J Stockbridge

Morning has broken, like the first morning;  
Blackbird has spoken, like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,  
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
Sprung in completeness where His feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning  
Born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise every morning,  
God's re-creation of the new day!

*Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965)*





## *Poem*

Desiderata  
by Max Ehrmann

Go placidly amid the noise and the haste,  
and remember what peace there may be in silence.  
As far as possible, without surrender, be on good terms with all persons.

Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others,  
even to the dull and the ignorant; they too have their story.  
Avoid loud and aggressive persons; they are vexatious to the spirit.  
If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain or bitter,  
for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself.

Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans.  
Keep interested in your own career, however humble;  
it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time.

Exercise caution in your business affairs,  
for the world is full of trickery.  
But let this not blind you to what virtue there is;  
many persons strive for high ideals,  
and everywhere life is full of heroism.

Be yourself. Especially, do not feign affection.  
Neither be cynical about love;  
for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment,  
it is as perennial as the grass.

Take kindly the counsel of the years,  
gracefully surrendering the things of youth.  
Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune.  
But do not distress yourself with dark imaginings.  
Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness.

Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself.  
You are a child of the universe no less than the trees and the stars;  
you have a right to be here.

And whether or not it is clear to you,  
no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should.  
Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be.

And whatever your labours and aspirations,  
in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul.  
With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams,  
it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.

*Max Ehrmann*





# *The Committal*

## *Words of the Committal*

from Phillip Dackombe

### *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.





*Final Words and Blessing*

from Phillip Dackombe

*Music to Exit*

Dancing Queen  
ABBA





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

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