

A Celebration of the Life of

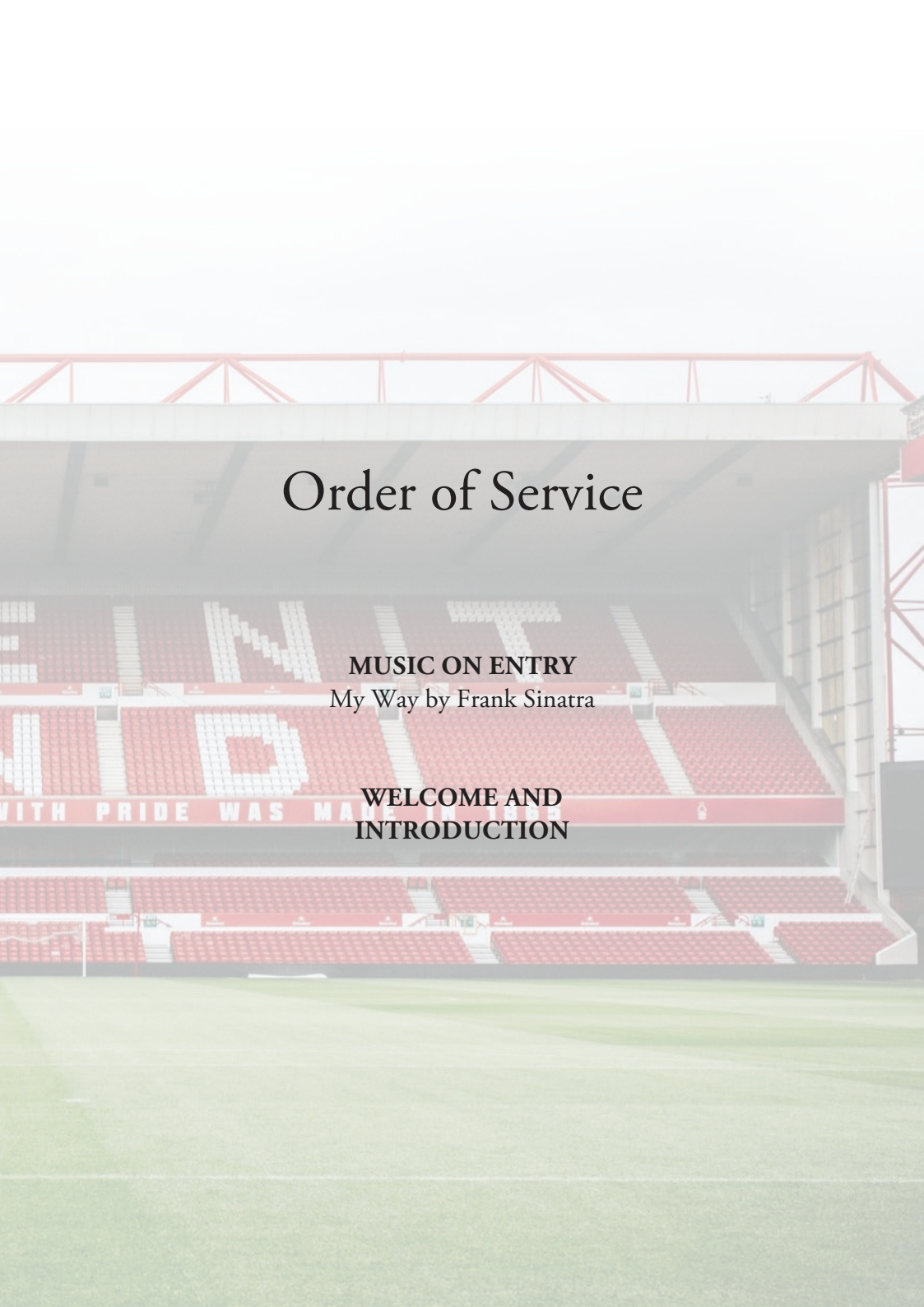
Ernest James Blanchard 'Jim'

5th April 1931 - 18th January 2025



Wilford Hill Crematorium, Main Chapel
Friday 14th February 2025 at 11.00 am



A wide-angle, slightly faded photograph of a large stadium, likely a soccer field. The seating is red with white accents forming a large 'N' shape. The field is green. The sky is overcast.

Order of Service

MUSIC ON ENTRY

My Way by Frank Sinatra

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

POEM

Come With Me
read by Deborah and Steve

God saw you getting tired
And a cure was not to be,
So He put His arms around you
And whispered, 'Come with me.'

With tearful eyes we watched you suffer
And saw you fade away.
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay.

A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands at rest.
God broke our hearts to prove
He only takes the best.

It's lonesome here without you,
We miss you more each day,
Life doesn't seem the same
Since you've gone away.

When days are sad and lonely
And everything goes wrong,
We seem to hear you whisper,
'Cheer up and carry on.'



Each time we see your picture,
You seem to smile and say,
'Don't cry, I'm in God's keeping,
We'll meet again someday.'

You never said, 'I'm leaving',
You never said goodbye,
You were gone before we knew it,
And only God knew why.

A million times we needed you,
A million times we cried,
If love alone could have saved you,
You never would have died.

In life we loved you dearly,
In death we love you still,
In our hearts you hold a place
That no one could ever fill.

It broke our hearts to lose you,
But you didn't go alone,
For part of us went with you
The day God took you home.

JIM'S LIFE

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

Following In Father's Footsteps by Kathy Kirby

FAREWELL

CLOSING WORDS

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MUSIC ON LEAVING

Can't Get Used To Losing You by Andy Williams





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

All are welcome for light refreshment at
Ruddington Grange Golf Club,
Wiford Road, Ruddington NG11 6NB.

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