

*To Celebrate the Life
of*



Joan Diana Beacroft

2nd June 1926 - 29th January 2025

98 years old

Gedling Crematorium
Wednesday 5th March 2025 at 12.00 noon

Celebrant: Anja Laidler





Order of Service

Processional Music

Nimrod from the *Enigma variations*

Elgar

Words of Welcome

Poem

She Is Gone

read by Zara

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 that she has left.
Your heart can be empty because you can't see her,
Or you can be full of the love that 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 is 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



Hymn

Jerusalem

And did those feet in ancient time
walk upon England's mountains green?

And was the holy Lamb of God
on England's pleasant pastures seen?

And did the countenance divine
shine forth upon our clouded hills?

And was Jerusalem builded here
among those dark Satanic Mills?

Bring me my bow of burning gold!

Bring me my arrows of desire!

Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!

Bring me my chariot of fire!

I will not cease from mental fight,
nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,

till we have built Jerusalem
in England's green and pleasant land.

William Blake (1757-1827)

Eulogy

Remembering Joan

Silent Reflection

Music for After Silent Reflection

Sailing By from *Radio 4 Shipping Forecast*





Words of Farewell

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.



Committal

Poem

Afterglow

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo, whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve to dry before the sun
Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.

Helen Lowrie-Marshall

Recessional Music

We'll Meet Again

Vera Lynn



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Mr. M. Beacroft and Miss J. D. Hodgkinson, of 12, Dalemoor-gardens, Aspley, who were married at St. Margaret's Church, Aspley, yesterday.





After the ceremony, Joan's family warmly invite you to join them at
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