



In Loving Memory
of
John Allenby Geeves

4th August 1944 - 28th May 2025

Mansfield Crematorium, Newstead Chapel
Wednesday 25th June 2025 at 11.00 am



Order of Service

Officiated by Funeral Celebrant, Phillip Dackombe

PROCESSIONAL MUSIC

Nimrod

London Philharmonic Orchestra

THE WELCOME



The background of the page is a soft-focus photograph of a forest path. The path is covered with a carpet of small blue flowers, likely bluebells, which are in bloom. The trees are tall and their leaves are a mix of green and yellow, suggesting an early autumn setting. The sun is shining from behind the trees on the left, creating a bright, hazy glow and a lens flare effect. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and natural.

POEM

The Miner's Epitaph

Of all the men who lived and died,
This miner's tale we now provide;
He was a man who gave his life
Far from his family and his wife;
He braved the darkness and the cold,
And mined the earth for gems and gold.
His work is done, his rest is won,
And now he sleeps beneath the sun.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

from Phillip Dackombe

THE CELEBRATION OF LIFE

HYMN

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again,
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for His own Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear none ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod
And staff me comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnishèd
In presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house for evermore
My dwelling-place shall be.



EULOGY

from Phillip Dackombe

TRIBUTE

from Richard Geeves

TRIBUTE

from Louise Hampton
on behalf of Barrie Haycox





POEM

He Is Gone

by David Harkins

You can shed tears that he is gone,
Or you can smile because he has lived.

You can close your eyes and pray that he will come back,
Or you can open your eyes and see all that he has left.

Your heart can be empty because you can't see him,
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 him and only that he is gone,
Or you can cherish his memory and let it live on.

You can cry and close your mind,
be empty and turn your back.

Or you can do what he would want:
Smile, open your eyes, love and go on.

REFLECTION MUSIC

River Deep - Mountain High

Tina Turner

THE COMMITTAL

with words 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

RECESSIONAL MUSIC

The Carnival Is Over
The Seekers



John's family would like to thank you all for your kind messages of support and love at this sad time and for attending the service here today.

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