

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

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Bramcote Crematorium, Serenity Chapel Friday 10th November 2023 at 1.00 pm



To Celebrate the Life of

Betty Holmes

12th April 1929 - 16th October 2023





Order of Service

MUSIC ON ENTRY

The Power Of Love Jennifer Rush

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

COMMITTAL

MUSIC ON EXIT

Always Bon Jovi



POEM

The Ship read by Reverend Jez Prance

I am standing on the seashore,
a ship sails in the morning breeze and starts for the ocean.
She is an object of beauty and I stand watching her
till at last she fades on the horizon and someone at my side says:
"She is gone." Gone! Where?
Gone from my sight - that is all.

She is just as large in the masts, hull and spars as she was when I saw her and just as able to bear her load of living freight to its destination.

The diminished size and total loss of sight is in me, not in her. And just at the moment when someone at my side says, "She is gone."

There are others who are watching her coming, and other voices take up a glad shout: "There she comes" - and that is dying.

A horizon and just the limit of our sight.

Lift us up, oh Lord, that we may see further.

POEM

read by daughter-in-law, Alison Holmes

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 cannot 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 (b. 1958)



TRIBUTE

TIME OF REFLECTION

VISUAL TRIBUTE

Music: Footprints In The Sand Leona Lewis

PRAYER

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.

