

In Loving Memory  
of

# Elva Lawson

27th July 1940 - 12th February 2025



Church of St Mary of the Purification, Blidworth  
Tuesday 18th March 2025 at 11.00 am





A black horse is running across a grassy field. The background shows rolling hills under a clear blue sky. The entire image has a light, semi-transparent overlay.

# **ORDER OF SERVICE**

Led by Marilyn Brown, Licenced Lay Minister

## **ENTRY MUSIC**

*Organist to play as mourners are seated*

## **WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYERS**

## HYMN

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!  
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
Change and decay in all around I see;  
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour;  
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;  
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies:  
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!

*Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)*



**TRIBUTE/EULOGY**

given by son, Mark

**REFLECTION MUSIC**

Ave Maria

## **BIBLE READING**

John, Chapter 14: verses 1-6  
read by family friend, Stephen Fox

## **ADDRESS**

## **PRAYERS**

### **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.

## **PRAYER OF COMMENDATION**

## **BLESSING IN CHURCH**

### **EXIT MUSIC**

Ave Maria  
André Rieu and Mirusia Louwerse

*Committal to follow at Mansfield Crematorium in the Thoresby Chapel.*





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

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