

Helen and family would like to thank everyone for their kindness at this sad time.

> Everyone is welcome back to the Royal Oak to celebrate Matthew's life.

> > First drink is on him.

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# A Service to Celebrate the Life of



# MATTHEW NEIL OWEN

29th October 1957 - 16th August 2012

Aldershot Crematorium

Friday 7th September 2012 at 12.00 noon

# ORDER of SERVICE

# **OPENING MUSIC**

The Tracks of My Tears Smokey Robinson and The Miracles

THE SENTENCES

WELCOME

PSALM 121 A Song of Ascents

#### HYMN

Love Divine All Love Excelling

Love Divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
All Thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

Come, Almighty to deliver,
Let us all Thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise Thee, without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then Thy new creation
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in Thee,
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

#### READING

John, Chapter 14: verses 1-6 Jesus Comforts His Disciples

#### POEM

Now They Are Gone read by Jayne Moore

You can shed tears that they are gone Or you can smile because they have lived.

You can close your eyes and pray that they'll come back Or you can open your eyes and see all they've left.

Your heart can be empty because you can't see them Or you can be full of the love 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 them and only that they've gone Or you can cherish their memory and let it live on.

> You can cry and close your mind, Be empty and turn your back Or you can do what they'd want: Smile, open your eyes, love and go on.

## TRIBUTE

by Chris Fitch

#### ADDRESS

#### POEM

Grief

Grief is a suffering of the deepest kind, Engulfing the heart and soul and mind.

No opiate will ease the pain, Of not seeing those you love again.

#### HYMN

Jerusalem

And did those feet in ancient time
Walk upon England's mountain 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.

#### 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

### COMMENDATION AND COMMITTAL

#### BLESSING

# **CLOSING MUSIC**

'There She Goes' The La's