



A Service of Thanksgiving and Celebration for the life of

# Brian Edward Branch

19<sup>th</sup> February 1935 - 12<sup>th</sup> October 2021

The Church of the Holy Rood  
Wool

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November  
2.30pm

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## **Entrance Music**

Ave Verum Corpus  
*Mozart*

## **Welcome**

Mrs Jenny Hunt LLM

## **Opening Prayers**

Heavenly Father, in your Son Jesus Christ you have given us a true faith and a sure hope. Strengthen this faith and hope in us all our days, that we may live as those who believe in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to eternal life; through your Son Christ, our Lord.

**Amen**

## **Hymn**

How deep the Father's love for us,  
How vast beyond all measure,  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss –  
The Father turns His face away,  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,  
My sin upon His shoulders;  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished;  
His dying breath has brought me life –  
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,  
His death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward?  
I cannot give an answer;  
But this I know with all my heart –  
His wounds have paid my ransom.

### **Bible Reading**

Ecclesiastes 3, verses 1 – 11

### **Eulogy**

### **Prayer**

## The Address

### Reflection Music

God so loved the World  
*from Stainers Crucifixion*

### Hymn

As the deer pants for the water,  
So my soul longs after you.  
You alone are my heart's desire,  
And I long to worship you.

*You alone are my strength, my shield,  
To You alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire,  
And I long to worship You.*

I want You more than gold or silver,  
Only You can satisfy.  
You alone are the real joy giver,  
And the apple of my eye.

You're my friend and You are my brother  
Even though You are a King  
I love You more than any other  
So much more than anything

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## 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.

### Hymn

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul*

*Worship His holy name*

*Sing like never before, O my soul*

*I'll worship Your holy name*

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning

It's time to sing Your song again

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me

Let me be singing when the evening comes.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger

Your name is great and Your heart is kind

For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing

Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

And on that day when my strength is failing

The end draws near and my time has come

Still my soul will sing Your praise unending

Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

## Commendation

## Closing Prayers

## Exit Music

Thine Be The Glory

*The service will be followed by a private cremation.*



Brian's family wish to thank you for all your kind messages of sympathy and support and for attending this Service here today to celebrate his life.

There will be a Retiring Collection in memory of Brian for The British Heart Foundation and Dementia UK. Donations may be sent to Albert Marsh Funeral Directors, St Michaels Road, Wareham, Dorset, BH20 4QU.

Or made online at: [www.funeraldirector.co.uk/brian-branch](http://www.funeraldirector.co.uk/brian-branch)

You are all warmly invited to The Orangery Suite, Merley House Lane, Wimborne, BH21 3AA for refreshment from 4pm.

