



A Service of Celebration for the life  
of  
**Alan John Read**

23rd June 1941 ~ 31st December 2024

The Halo Ceremony Room

Poole Crematorium

Friday 17th January 2025

3pm

Service conducted by Mrs Pam Clark LLM

## **Entrance Music**

The Lord's my Shepherd

## **Welcome and Opening Prayers**

### **Reading**

John 14:1-6, 27

Jesus said, 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.'

### **Poem**

God's Garden

God looked around his garden and found an empty place,

He then looked down upon the earth

And saw your tired face.

He put his arms around you and lifted you to rest.

God's garden must be beautiful He always takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering He knew you were in pain.

He knew that you would never get well on earth again.

He saw the road was getting rough and the hills were hard to climb.

So he closed your weary eyelids and whispered, 'Peace be Thine'.

It broke our hearts to lose you but you didn't go alone,

For part of us went with you the day God called you home.

## **Reflection**

Cavatina from Deer Hunter arranged and played by John Williams

## **Address**

## **Prayers**

### **The Lords 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.

### **Prayers of Commendation and Farewell**

#### **Committal**

#### **The Blessing**

#### **Exit music**

Fly me to the moon, *Frank Sinatra*



Alan's family wish to thank you for your presence here today and for the kind messages of sympathy received.

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