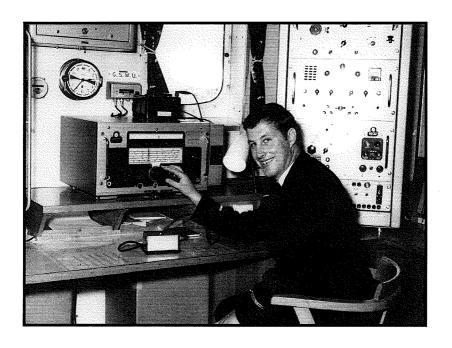
Service of Remembrance

Kenneth Arthur Hardy

11th June 1941 — 21st April 2013



Chelmsford Crematorium South Chapel

Wednesday 1st May 2013 at 10.30 a.m.

Order of Service

Entrance Music Felix Mendelssohn: Fingal's Cave (Overture from The Hebrides)

THE GATHERING

Нуми

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; he makes me down to lie in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again, and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill; for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes; my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me; and in God's house for evermore my dwelling-place shall be. PRAYER

READING John 14 vs. 1–6 and 27

Memories of Ken

Words of Hope and Comfort

Prayers of Thanksgiving

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.

Нуми

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

O Christ, whose voice the waters heard And hushed their raging at thy word, Who walkedst on the foaming deep, And calm amid the storm didst sleep: O hear us when we cry to thee

O Holy Spirit, who didst brood Upon the waters dark and rude, Who bid their angry tumult cease,

For those in peril on the sea.

And give, for wild confusion, peace:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power,
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go:
And evermore shall rise to thee
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

POEM

"Sparky's Lament"

from a 1930s Radio Officers' Union Journal by 'Tankop'

If you can keep your head in situations when 'Mutts' all cry 'Distress' and 'QRT'

If you can sternly brush aside temptations and keep your itching finger off the key

If you can do your best on bum receiver and never breathe a word against the set

But struggle on without a thought of 'Leave her' and wrap it round with canvas 'gainst the wet

If you can still retain your first illusions when weighing up the life against the pay

If you can copy GBR's effusions without quiet curse for GKA

If you can sit through hours of atmospherics and still keep watch tho' deafened by their roar

Or contemplate the damage done by derricks to brand-new down leads while you were ashore

If you can take good bearings in pyjamas when, in the normal way, you'd be in bed

Or put off dates with fair Australian charmers to nurse sick cells whose gravity is fled

If you can memorise the variations which disarrange the Q-code now and then

Nor ever use such wrong abbreviations as 'CUL', 'OM', 'HV', 'GN'

If you can watch the changing regulations and never criticise the P.M.G.

Or keep the log-book clear of alterations without a thought against the B.O.T.

If you can keep the gear in good condition and still have time to spare when all is done

If you can do all this 'sans intermission' you're not an 'Op'

You're just a Saint, my son.

ABBREVIATIONS

'QRT' Keep quiet, ship in distress please do not send morse

'GBR' Rugby call-sign (reached worldwide)

'GKA' Portishead call-sign (reached worldwide)

'CUL' See you later

'OM' Old man

'HV' Have

'GN' Goodnight

P.M.G. The Postmaster General, who issued licences and general radio regulations and procedures

B.O.T. The Board of Trade, who governed shipping generally.

BLESSING

Exit Music Morse Code: Message to Ken

To MØXBK

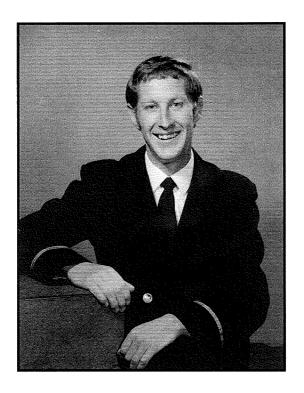
We love you very much, and you will always be in our heart.

Until we meet again.

Sign out.

Ken's family thank you for your love and support and for your attendance here today.

All are welcome to join the family for light refreshments at Hylands House, London Road, Chelmsford CM2 8WQ after the service.



Donations in memory of Ken may be made payable to the R.N.L.I. and sent c/o M. Lucking & Sons, 195 New London Road, Chelmsford CM2 0AE.