



Kenneth Lawrence Albert Whittle

6th January 1936

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4th October 2021

Order of Service

All Saints Day

Monday 1st November 2021 at 1.30pm
Old Park Meadow Natural Burial Ground
Coppice Lane, North End, Essex
Service conducted by Ken Lodge









Music for Entry

Unforgettable by Nat King Cole

Welcome and Opening Words

Hymn

The Lord Is My Shepherd

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 forevermore
My dwelling place shall be.





Poem

Live Your Dash

I read of a man who stood to speak at the funeral of a friend.
He referred to the dates on the tombstone from the beginning ... to the end.

He noted that first came the date of birth and spoke of the following date with
tears, but he said what mattered most of all was the dash between those years.

For that dash represents all the time they spent alive on earth and now only
those who loved them know them know what that little line is worth.

For it matters not, how much we own, the cars...the house ... the cash.
What matters is how we live and love and how we spend our dash.

So think about this long and hard; are there things you'd like to change?
For you never know how much time is left that still can be rearranged.

To be less quick to anger and show appreciation more and love
the people in our lives like we've never loved them before.

If we treat each other with respect and more often wear a smile ...
remembering that this special dash might only last a little while.

So when your eulogy is being read, with your life's actions to rehash, would
you be proud of the things they say about how you lived your dash?

By Linda Ellis

Tributes to Ken





Music for Reflection

Stranger on the Shore (Instrumental) and Visual Tribute

Poem

To Those Whom I Love & Those Who Love Me

Read by Jayne Miller

When I am gone, release me, let me go.
I have so many things to see and do,
You mustn't tie yourself to me with too many tears,
But be thankful we had so many good years.

I gave you my love, and you can only guess
How much you've given me in happiness.
I thank you for the love that you have shown,
But now it is time I traveled on alone.

So grieve for me a while, if grieve you must,
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It is only for a while that we must part,
So treasure the memories within your heart.

I won't be far away for life goes on.
And if you need me, call and I will come.

Though you can't see or touch me, I will be near.
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear,
All my love around you soft and clear.

And then, when you come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile and a 'Welcome Home'.

by Anon





Committal

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.

Closing Words

Blessing

Music for Exit

Every Time we say Goodbye by Ella Fitzgerald









*Your life was a blessing
Your memory a treasure
You are loved beyond words
And missed beyond measure*



Lisa wishes to thank everybody for coming today and for all your kind messages of sympathy and support at this sad time.

Please stay for refreshments which will be served after the service.

Donations are being collected in memory of Ken for the British Heart Foundation.

There is a donation box or online at:

www.funeral-notice.co.uk

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Many thanks.