A Service to Celebrate the life and love of



13th August 1937 - 11th April 2023

Geoffrey William Prowse

Alan Harris McDonald Chapel
Wednesday, 19th April 2023, 11:30am

CELEBRANT

Deacon Leonie White

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 forever more
My dwelling place shall be.

WELCOME

Deacon Leonie White

OPENING PRAYER

Loving God, you alone are the source of life,
May your life giving spirit flow through us,
and fill us with compassion, one for another.
In our sorrow give us the calm of your peace,
Kindle our hope, and let our grief give
way to joy through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

EULOGY

Read by Jason Prowse

SCRIPTURE
JOHN 14.1-6

Jesus Comforts His Disciples

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going."

Jesus the Way to the Father

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?"
Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

HOMILY
Deacon Leonie White

THANKSGIVING PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that 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.

MEMORIES IN PICTURES

"Orinoco Flow"

FAREWELL PRAYERS

HYMN

"Abide with Me"

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide
The darkness deepens, Lord, with me abide
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see
O thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, and tears not bitterness
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

BLESSING

May the Lord bless you and keep you,
may the Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you.
May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace.
Amen

RECESSIONAL MUSIC

"Silver Bell"

THE GRAVESIDE COMMITTAL FOR GEOFFREY WILL CONTINUE IN SECTION 11 OF THE WAGGA WAGGA LAWN CEMETERY



It is with love and gratitude that the family thank you for your kindness and expressions of sympathy at a time when it is needed and deeply appreciated.

Following the committal, Geoffrey's family invite you to join them at 36 Horsley Street Kooringal, to share light refreshments and your many memories of Geoffrey.

ALAN HARRIS MCDONALD
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