

In Loving Memory of

# Thomas Harold Sutcliffe



Passed Away 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020, Aged 89 Years  
Funeral Service at St. Mary's Church, Eastham  
Followed by Committal at Chester Crematorium  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020



## Order of Service

### Entrance Music

Scene from Swan Lake Ballet - Tchaikovsky

### Welcome

### Opening Sentences

### Opening Prayers

### Bible Reading

Ecclesiastes 3: 1 - 14

### Poem

A Much Loved Grandad - Read by Jo-Anna Aylmore

The day that God called your name  
It broke my heart in two  
But Heaven needed an Angel  
And the only one he picked was you  
I Just wished he could have waited  
And let you stay with me  
But you have left memories in my heart  
And that's where they'll always be  
I just wish I could rewind the clock  
Or make it turn real slow  
I could have hugged you one more time  
Before you had to go  
No matter how much time will pass  
I'll miss you everyday  
Keep shining bright in Heaven  
So you can light my way.

# Eulogy

## Poem

The Broken Chain - Laura-Jane Fenney

We little knew that day,  
God was going to call your name.  
In life we loved you dearly,  
In death, we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you.  
You did not go alone.  
For part of us went with you,  
The day God called you home.

You left us beautiful memories,  
Your love is still our guide.  
And although we cannot see you,  
You are always at our side.

Our family chain is broken,  
And nothing seems the same,  
But as God calls us one by one,  
The chain will link again.

## Prayers

Concluding with 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

Abide with me

1. 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.

2. 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 changes not,  
abide with me.

3. 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.

4. I fear no foe,  
with thee at hand to bless;  
ills have no weight,  
and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting?  
Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still,  
if thou abide with me.

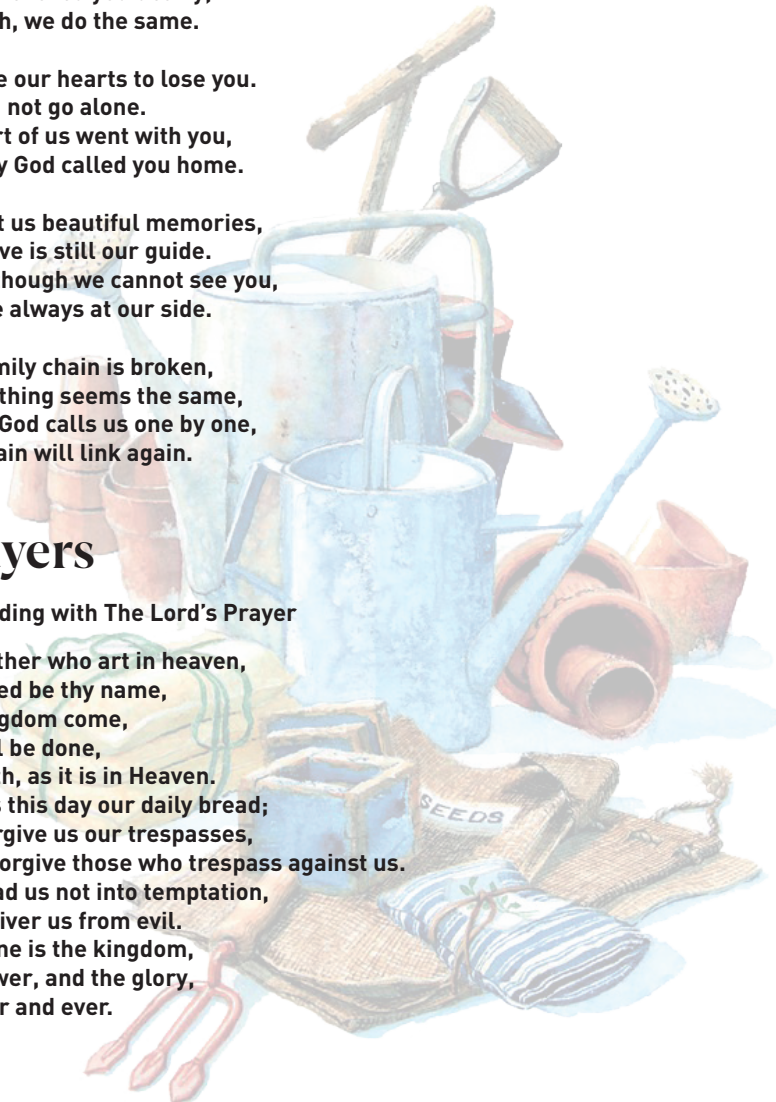
5. Hold thou thy cross  
before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom  
and point me to the skies.  
Heaven's morning breaks,  
and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord,  
abide with me.

## Commendation

## Blessing

## Recessional Music

Going Home - The New World Symphony Orchestra by Dvorak



# At Chester Crematorium

## Entrance Music

Love Is All Around - Wet, Wet, Wet

## Prayers

## Moment of Reflection

Thoughts of Dad - Andrew Sutcliffe

My Dad has always been there for me  
and always had faith in me.

He encouraged me to try new things  
And work hard at everything I have done.

My Mum and Dad brought us up as a loving family  
And I thank them so much for all of my happy memories.

I have always felt safe knowing that my Dad would be there to help me  
Support me and have a good laugh.

I don't want to be selfish or upset because my Dad is now with my Mum,  
Who he has missed for a long time.

So I will say goodbye to my Dad and carry on by trying to make  
Him proud as he looks down from heaven.

Your loving Son, Andrew xXx

# Commendation

## Committal

## Final Blessing

## Recessional Music

You Raise Me Up - Instrumental







**Tom's family wish to express their sincere thanks for the kind expressions of sympathy received in their bereavement, also for donations received in lieu of flowers in aid of**

**The Bluebell Ward at Ellesmere Port Cottage Hospital**



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