A Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of

John Geoffrey Williams "Geoff"

5th December 1932 ~ 15th January 2014



Landican Crematorium Centre Chapel
Thursday 30th January 2014
At 2:00 pm
Officiated by Jill Wright

Processional music

Blue Moon by Glen Miller (organist to play)

Welcoming Address

Jill Wright

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, O abide with me.

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.

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.

Prayers

Eulogy Jill Wright

Memories Christopher and Sian Williams

Bible Reading Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters. He shall refresh my soul and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full. Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Poem

By Eve Collins, granddaughter

Prayers including the Lord's Prayer

Commendation

Committal

Final Prayer and Blessing

Recessional MusicBlue Moon Instrumental by Glen Miller
(family recording)

Death is nothing at all

Death is nothing at all. I have only slipped away into the next room. I am I, and you are still you. Whatever we were to each other, that we are still. Call me by my old familiar name, speak to me in the easy way which you always used. Put no difference in your tone, wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow. Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes we enjoyed together. Play, smile, think of me, pray for me. Let my name be the household word that it always was. Let it be spoken without effort, without a trace of a shadow in it. Life means all that it ever meant. It is the same that it ever was: there is unbroken continuity. Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight? I am waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near just around the corner, All is well.

The family would like to thank you most sincerely for your attendance here today and for all your kind messages of sympathy received at this difficult time.

You are warmly welcome to join the family after the service for light refreshments at The Prenton Golf Club, Golf Links Road,
Prenton, Wirral, CH42 8LW

Donations in mermory of Geoff may be sent in aid of

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