A Service of Thanksgiving & Celebration for the Life of

John Sidney Farrell

24th January 1932 - 3rd January 2023



PIDDINGTON'S FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORIUM 2.30pm Friday, 6th January 2023

ENTRANCE MUSIC "What A Wonderful World" Louis Armstrong

INTRODUCTION & WELCOME Peter Howe

FAMILY TRIBUTE

Read by Peter Howe

JOHN'S LIFE IN PICTURES

THE LORD'S PRAYER Sung by Andre Bocelli with Mormon Tabernacle Choir

BIBLE READING John 14:1-6

"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."

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."

> RECESSIONAL MUSIC "Danny Boy" Frank Hyde

Interment

MUSICAL TRIBUTE "Danny Boy" Frank Hyde

COMMITTAL Peter Howe

During these last moments we pay our final respects to John and wish him the fulfilment of everlasting peace.

There are times when we must remind ourselves that only nature itself is permanent. All that has life - has a beginning and an end. Life exists in the time span between the birth and death of individuals, who in turn pass on the process of life through their children and their children's children.

Life's significance lies in the experiences and achievements within that period.

The final parting, signified by death, is bound to bring shock and sorrow.

Whenever the ties of love and friendship are severed, it is natural for those who feel deeply to grieve deeply - as no philosophy or religion can prevent the great sense of loss we feel when a loved one is taken from us.

We are grateful that John was and shall remain a part of our lives.

We shall remember him as a living vital presence, and this will bring peace to our hearts and strengthen us in times of trouble.

We brought nothing into the world and we can take nothing out of the world.

Ashes to ashes, dust to dust, we commit the body, of John back to its natural place in the universe and in so doing, we recognise and revere it as the vessel throughout life, of the personality of our dearly departed.

With much love and respect we bid John farewell. Thus in thinking of John let us leave this sacred place in quietness of spirit and live with compassion and love for each other.

> MUSICAL TRIBUTE & PERSONAL FAREWELL "Time to Say Goodbye" Andre Bocelli & Sarah Brightman



John's family would like to thank you for your presence here today, for your kind thoughts, prayers and for your expressions of sympathy and support. They warmly invite you to share light refreshments at Armidale City Bowling Club following the interment at Armidale Cemetery.



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