

A celebration of the life of



Raymond William Martin

20th October 1928 - 30th July 2023

**St Botolphs Church, Grimston, Norfolk
6th September, 2023 | 11am**

*“As is a tale, so is a life:
Not how long it is, but how good it is,
is what matters”*

Seneca

Song - Fiddler's Green

by John Conolly

Music By Chris Denley

As I rowed by the dockside one evening so rare
To view the still waters and take the salt air
I heard an old fisherman singing this song
Oh take me away boys, my time is not long
(chorus)

Dress me up in me oilskins and jumper

No more on the docks I'll be seen

Just tell my old shipmates

I'm taking a trip mates

And I'll see you someday in fiddlers green

Now fiddlers green is a place I've heard tell

Where fishermen go if they don't go to hell

Where the weather is fair and the dolphins do play

And the cold coast of Greenland is far, far away

Chorus

Now the skies always clear and there's never a gale

And the fish jump on board with a flip of their tails

You lie at your leisure, there's no work to do

And the skipper's below making tea for the crew

Chorus

Now I don't want a harp nor a halo, not me

Just give me a breeze and a good rolling sea

I'll play me old squeezebox as we sail along

With the wind in the rigging to sing me this song

Chorus

Committal

Blessing

Exit Music



All welcome to share lunch at:

**27 Poplar Avenue,
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King's Lynn
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