



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Margaret Matthews



11th December 1932 - 17th September 2023

Service held: Riverview Chapel, Pitsea Crematorium, Church Road,
Bowers Gifford, Basildon SS13 2HG

Welcome and opening prayer

EULOGY

*Photo tribute with reflective music -
Supermarket Flowers by Ed Sheeran*

Poem

My Mother Kept A Garden

*My mother kept a garden, a garden of the heart,
she planted all the good things that gave my life its start,
she turned me to the sunshine and encouraged me to dream,
fostering and nurturing the seeds of self-esteem,
and when the winds and rain came,
she protected me enough —
but not too much because she knew I'd need to stand strong
and tough,
her constant good example always taught me right from wrong,
markers for my pathway that will last a lifetime long,
I am my mother's garden, I am her legacy,
and I hope today she feels the love reflected back from me*

Prayers

The Lords Prayer

*Our Father, who 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.*

Commendation & Committal

Poem: Afterglow

*I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done,
I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun,
Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.*

Blessing

***Recessional Music: Time to Say Goodbye -
Andrea Bocelli & Sarah Brightman***



The family would like to thank you all for your kind words and support during this time. We would like you all to join us for the reception. Details below:

**Refreshments will be served after the service at
The Springhouse
Springhouse Road
Corringham, Essex, SS17 7QT**

If you would like to make a donation in memory of Margaret, envelopes will be available at the crematorium today.

We have set up a tribute page for Margaret where you can leave a message, upload photographs or any stories or anecdotes that you may like to share, <https://margaret-matthews-2023.muchloved.com>. On-line donations can be made through this page.

