

In Loving Memory of

*Maria Teresa Jacobs*



19th July 1955 - 13th October 2023

Service held at Stourbridge Cremeatorium

Thursday 2nd November at 1:30pm

Officiated by Celebrant Rachel Jennings

## *RECEPTION*

### *WELCOME & OPENING WORDS*

#### *POEM*

You Didn't Die Just Recently

You didn't die just recently Maria,  
You died some time ago.  
Although your body stayed a while,  
And didn't really know.  
For you had got dementia,  
You failed to comprehend.  
Your body went on living.  
But your mind had reached its end.  
So we've already said, "Goodbye",  
To the Maria that we knew.  
The person that we truly loved,  
The person that was, "You".  
And so we meet again today,  
To toast your bodies end.  
For it was true and faithful,  
Until right at the end.  
And so, when we remember,  
We'll think of all the rest.  
We'll concentrate on earlier,  
And remember all the best.  
For in the real scheme of things,  
Your illness wasn't long.  
Compared to all the happiness,  
You brought your whole life long.  
We think of you as yesterday,  
When you were fit and well.  
And when we're asked about you,  
It's those things that we'll tell.  
And so we meet in remembrance,  
Of a mind so fit and true.  
We're here to pay our last respects  
To say that, "Maria we love you".

# ***TRIBUTES***

## ***PERIOD OF THOUGHTFUL REFLECTION***

### ***POEM***

As We Look Back Over Time - Clare Jones

As we look back over time  
We find ourselves wondering  
Did we remember to thank you enough  
For all you have done for us?  
For all the times you were by our sides  
To help and support us  
To celebrate our successes  
To understand our problems  
And accept our defeats?  
Or for teaching us by your example,  
The value of hard work, good judgement,  
Courage and integrity?  
We wonder if we ever thanked you  
For the sacrifices you made.  
To let us have the very best?  
And for the simple things  
Like laughter, smiles and times we shared?  
If we have forgotten to show our  
Gratitude enough for all the things you did,  
We're thanking you now.  
And we are hoping you knew all along,  
How much you meant to us.

### ***COMMITTAL***

### ***CLOSING WORDS***



## *Appreciation*

The family would like to thank you all for your kind support during this time of sadness.

Refreshments will be served after the service at:

**The Lyttleton Arms**

*Hagley*

*Stourbridge*

*West Midlands*

*DY9 9LJ*

## *Donations*

If you wish to make a donation to our chosen charity (Alzheimer's Society), please do so directly at a time of your convenience.