



In loving memory of
Josephine Ward

6th June 1954 - 1st October 2023

Service held at Rotherham Crematorium
Friday 17th November 2023

Entrance Music - In the Arms of an Angel

Welcome & Introduction - Celebrant, Jane Hawksworth

The Journey of a Mother

A Mother like ours is more than a memory. She is a living presence. Your Mother is always with you. She's the whisper of the leaves as you walk down the street, she's the smell of certain foods you remember, flowers you pick and perfume that she wore, she's the cool hand on your brow when you're not feeling well, she's your breath in the air on a cold winter's day. She is the sound of the rain that lulls you to sleep, the colours of a rainbow, she is Christmas morning.

Your Mother lives inside your laughter. And she's crystallized in every tear drop. A mother shows every emotion; happiness, sadness, fear, jealousy, love, hate, anger, helplessness, excitement, joy, sorrow, and all the while, hoping and praying you will only know the good feelings in life.

She's the place you came from, your first home, and she's the map you follow with every step you take. She's your first love, your first friend, even your first enemy, but nothing on earth can separate you. Not time, not space, not even death!

Josephine's Story

Mother In Heaven

If roses grow in heaven,
Lord please pick a bunch for me,
Place them in my Mother's arms
and tell her they're from me.

Tell her I love her and miss her,
and when she turns to smile,
place a kiss upon her cheek
and hold her for a while.

Because remembering her is easy,
I do it every day,
but there's an ache within my heart
that will never go away.

Reflection Music

Scars in Heaven by Lyndsey Westcott

The Committal & The Lords Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done.

On earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses.

As we forgive those who trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

Amen.

Exit Music - Josephine's favourite song;

Tina Turner, Simply the Best



Good Night, God Bless

Josephine / Jo / Vena

Rest in Peace