



William Johnson

4th January 1955 - 11th November 2023

Thanksgiving and Celebration of the life of

William [Bill] Johnson

St Luke's Church, 2pm, Tuesday November 28th 2023

RECEPTION OF COFFIN:

March of the Hebrew slaves from Nabucco

Welcome and Opening Prayers

Hymn:

Abide with me

*Abide with me, fast falls the eventide,
the darkness deepens Lord, with me abide;
when other helpers fail and comforts flee,
help of the helpless, O abide with me.*

*Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day,
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
change and decay in all around I see,
O thou, who changest not, abide with me.*

*I need thy presence ev'ry passing hour;
what but thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?*

*Who like thyself my guide and stay can be,
through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.*

*I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless,
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?*

I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

*Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes,
shine through the gloom and point me to the skies;
heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.*

*A daily complaint was he was so slow
Didn't he realise you had places to go
Those outings include a variety of classes
And walks in the park with some other lasses*

*Now I'm back home and your workload is greater
But you never put off my requests until later
Your undying support is well off the scale
We are in this together and keen not to fail*

*I'm glad i'm still here on your special day
I'm hoping and praying there 's more on the way
Cuddling our sixth grandchild is something to aim for
While I'm surrounded by those I adore*

*Christmas is also a time we may share
After worrying for weeks about me getting there
I wouldn't have got here without you by my side
Your love and devotion you never can hide*

*I hope you I can help you mark this birthday
I'm sure if I'm struggling we'll still find a way
So big birthday wishes to the love of my life
You constantly prove you're much more than a wife*



Lynne, Carl, Simon, Sally and the wider family thank everyone for their support and messages of sympathy at this sad time.

After the service everyone is invited to join us

for refreshments at:

Widnes Golf Club.

Highfield Road,

Widnes,

WA8 7DT

A Private Committal will follow the church service; we kindly request that this is for close family members only.

Donations in Bill's memory are to be sent to:

Tommy's

<https://www.tommys.org/donate>