Thanksgiving Service for the Life of

Averil Anne Kidd

27th April 1934 - 13th August 2024



St. Peter's Church
Duntisbourne Abbots
Wednesday 2nd October 2024
2pm

Music: The Watermill by Ronald Binge

Worship led by Philip Ling Reader St Peter's
Duntisbourne Abbots
Be Still in the Presence of the Lord – Psalm 131

"In Him was life, and that life was the light of man. The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it. (John 1. 4/5)

Welcome and opening prayer.

Let us remember before God, all those who rejoice with us but upon another shore and in a greater light...
especially today we gather here to celebrate and to remember Averil Anne Kidd:
wife, mother, grandmother and friend to so many.
And so we come to give thanks for her and to lay her mortal remains to lie beside her husband Tony but this being an occasion of celebration, let us join together in singing Lord of All Hopefulness no. 313.

Eulogy and recollections written by Sarah & Nick Read by Averil's grandson, Edward.

Afterglow Read by Averil's granddaughter, Alice.

Music: For the Beauty of the Earth by John Rutter, St Pauls Choristers. As we listen we can remind ourselves of our own memories of Averil.

Some WI and Community Tributes.

All is Well by Henry Scott Holland Read by Averil's grandson, Jamie.

Reading:

John 1. 1-14 "In the beginning was the Word..." Read by Averil's son in law, Colin.

Some reflections by Philip.

And as we sit, let us sing Be still for the presence of the Lord... no. 53

Let us Pray together firstly for the family, friends and for those who cared for Averil during her last days.

Music: Let the Lord Bless You and Keep You by John Rutter

And the Prayer of St Francis of Assisi

And finally let us pray together the words that Jesus gave us

Saving (in the traditional form) Our Father...

Music: Gaelic Blessing by John Rutter, The Cambridge Singers

The committal will now take place in the Churchyard alongside Averil's husband Tony. You are welcome to join the family if you wish.

Sarah and Nick have asked that I pass on their invitation for you to join them for light refreshments in the village hall. The family will be there shortly.

Music: All Things Bright and Beautiful by John Rutter



Throughout their married life, Averil and Tony were very closely associated with the RAF. If you wish to make a donation in memory of Averil, she requested that it be made to SSAFA: the Soldiers, Sailors, Airforce Association. SSAFA is a charity which provides welfare support to those serving in the armed forces, veterans and armed forces families. www.ssafa.org.uk/give