

Tribute - Written by his family and read by Revd Steve Marsh

Poem 1 - Whispering Wind - read by Sheila, David's sister

It's normal that you shed a tear,
When first I took my leave.
But know that I am happy here,
No need for you to grieve.

The beauty that's surrounding me,
Would take your breath away.
There's colours that I can't describe,
The air's a sweet bouquet.

Don't worry 'bout the things unsaid,
There's nothing to forgive.
Don't lay your heart upon the past,
Just let our memories live.

And though your earthly eyes can't see,
Believe that I am there.
Whene'er you feel the whispering wind,
Flow gently through your hair.

I'm there when fireflies light the dark,
When candles mark a year.
I'm there when you are far from home,
And when you need an ear.

I'm always just a thought away,
Our souls could never part.
Connected for eternity,
Forever in your heart.

Poem 2 - Goodnight - read by Megan, David's granddaughter

Rejoice for me when I am gone,
As hard as it might be.
For I am here in paradise,
No need to grieve for me.

I'm grateful for my time on Earth,
I did the best I could.
I tried to learn from my mistakes,
And do a little good.

I don't know what my purpose was,
It wasn't mine to know.
But God said I fulfilled it,
That's why I had to go.

I promise you that I'm okay,
I'll see you in God's time.
I want you to enjoy your life,
The same as I did mine.

Have no regrets for things unsaid,
I know what's in your heart.
So say goodbye and let me go,
It's time that we must part.

But only for a little while,
We'll one day meet again.
And I'll be here to welcome you,
Goodnight, my pet, 'til then.

Bible reading - John 14. 1-6 and 27 - read by Rev. Steve Marsh

Sermon - read by Rev. Steve Marsh

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come:
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
and mortal life shall cease:
I shall possess, within the veil,
a life of joy and peace.

When we've been there a thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing Gods praise
Than when we first begun

Prayers

The Lord's 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.

For thine is the kingdom,

the power, and the glory

for ever and ever.

Amen.