

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Michael Herlihy 23rd December 1940 – 22nd December 2022

FUNERAL SERVICE HELD ON:
Wednesday 1st February 11am
Burial: Tickford Street Cemetery
Newport Pagnell 12pm

ST AUGUSTINES CHURCH

1 Langeliffe Drive, Heelands, Milton Keynes, MK13 7PL

BLESSING OF THE BODY BEFORE THE PROCESSION

FTR Emmanuel: I bless the body of Michael with this holy water. In baptism, he died with Christ, may he rise with Him to new life.

RECEPTION OF COFFIN

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION BY FATHER EMMANUEL OKAMI

*Abide With Me*Henry Francis Lyte

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.

I need thy presence every passing hour, What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power? 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, Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee, In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Chorus:

But you are always close to me Following all my ways. May I be always close to you Following all your ways, Lord.

I watch the sunset fading away, Lighting the clouds with sleep. And as the evening closes its eyes, I feel your presence near me.

Chorus: For you are always close to me...

I watch the moonlight guarding the night,
Waiting till morning comes.
The air is silent, earth is at rest
Only your peace is near me.

FINAL BLESSING

PRIEST: Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord.ALL: And let perpetual light shine upon him.PRIEST: May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

ALL: Amen.

PRIEST: And may the blessing of Almighty God, the Father+ and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you forever.

ALL: Amen.

PRIEST: Let us go in peace, the funeral service is ended. **ALL:** Thanks be to God.

APPRECIATION

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



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