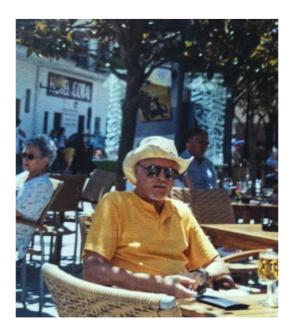
# Celebrating THE LIFE OF



# John Alfred Ward

19th August 1945 - 20th July 2023

Service held at
Manchester Crematorium
Barlow Moor Road
Chorlton
M21 7GZ

### RECEPTION OF COFFIN

Entrance Music: Smile by Nat King Cole

### WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

# Opening prayer

Reading: John 14: 1-7

Let not your hearts be troubled; believe [a] in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me. If you had known me, you would have known my Father also; henceforth you know him and have seen him.

Minister's Tribute

Tribute by Alison (John's daughter)

Tribute by Emma (John's granddaughter)

Minister's Homily

Prayers

### **Commendation**

### **Committal**

Curtain closing: Fields of Gold by Sting

Poem: Life

It does not do to dwell on death But live your life with every breath Seeking answers to questions no one can give This is your life, get out and live Never waste a single day Don't take to heart what others say This is your life to shape and hone We enter and we leave alone Search in your heart and you will see There is so much more to you and me When loved ones bass don't sit and mourn Their time did come, their souls reborn One day when the time is right You will close your eyes and see the light A wondrous journey you will take Leading you to heaven's gate So live your life and please don't worry We all get there one day, so what's the hurry There is more to life than we will ever know Just sit back and enjoy the show

Exit Music: My Farewell Party by Gene Watson



## APPRECIATION

The family would like to thank you all for your kind support during this time of sadness, and welcome you all to join them to celebrate John's life and share story's and memories of John.

Refreshments will be served after the service at:

THE CORNER SHOP

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