

## John Anthony Reed

3rd April 1952- 10th November 2023 Westall Park Natural Burial Ground 1030am 28th November 2023

## Order of Service

Music

Welcome and Opening Words

Poem
If - Rudyard Kipling

John Reed - Tribute

Tribute to John Written and Read by Pete Seabrook

Reflection

Committal Words

Proceed to Graveside

Interment

Music

Reading Back to Nature – Philip Pullman

Final Music

If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise:

If you can dream — and not make dreams your master;
If you can think — and not make thoughts your aim;
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster
And treat those two impostors just the same;
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools:

If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginnings
And never breathe a word about your loss;
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
Except the Will which says to them: 'Hold on!'

If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with Kings — nor lose the common touch,
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
If all men count with you, but none too much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And — which is more — you'll be a Man, my son!
Rudyard Kipling 1865 — 1936



## **APPRECIATION**

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

Refreshments will be served after the service at:

Barton Court Colwall, Herefordshire, WR13 6HN.

## DONATIONS

If you wish to make a donation to John's chosen charity (Anthony Nolan Trust) go to www.justgiving.com/fundraising/john-reed1952