

Celebrating the life of
John Denys Bowring



14th April 1932 - 6th January 2024

St George's Church, Woolhope
1pm, Friday 9th February 2024

Officiated by Revd Dr Chris Moore

Receiving the Coffin

“Nimrod” (Variation IX from Enigma Variations) - Edward Elgar 1857–1934

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Hymn: 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.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away.
Change and decay in all around I see.
O thou who changest not, 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 strength can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O 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.

Hymn: How Great Thou Art

Carl Boberg

O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the works thy hand hath made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!
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When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze:
Then sings my soul...

And when I think how God, his Son not sparing,
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross, my burdens gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin:
Then sings my soul...

When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy will fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul...

Commendation

Blessing

**Toccata from Symphony No 5,
Charles Marie Widor 1844–1937**



The family would like to thank you for attending today
and for all your support and kind wishes.

You are very warmly invited to join us for
refreshments at the Bay Horse Inn,
Kings Acre Road, Hereford, HR4 0SD.

Special thanks to Revd Dr Chris Moore and to
Mr Peter Dyke, Organist.

Thanks also to Bayley Brothers, Funeral Directors.



Donations, if desired, to Denys' chosen charities,
St Michael's Hospice, Hereford Cathedral
Perpetual Trust and for St George's Church
can be made via Bayley Brothers, Funeral Directors,
Cotterell Street, Hereford, HR4 0HH.
A retiring collection will also be taken in
Church today. Thank you.