



A CELEBRATION  
OF LIFE  
HELD IN  
HONOUR OF

Helen Elisabeth  
Thompson  
*7th February 1947–5th June 2024*

Service held at  
Deighton Lodge  
Rush Farm, York Rd,  
York YO19 6HQ

Tuesday 2nd July 2024  
at 3pm

Lavender to be placed  
on  
the casket

Sunshine on my shoulders  
John Denver

Welcome and Introduction

Eulogy  
By  
Celebrant Gail Scott

Visual Tribute  
Perhaps love  
John Denver & Placido Domingo  
Rule the World  
Take That

Some words by  
Jacob Sherwood

## I Vow to Thee Thy Country

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above,  
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love;  
The love that asks no questions, the love that stands the test,  
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;  
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,  
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,  
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;  
We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;  
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;  
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,  
And her ways are ways of gentleness, and all her paths are peace.

### Poem

read by

Oliver Sherwood

Do not stand and look and weep  
I am not there. I do not sleep.  
I am a thousand winds that blow.  
I am the diamond glints on snow.  
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.  
I am the gentle autumn rain.  
When you awaken in the morning's hush  
I am the swift uplifting rush  
Of quiet birds in circled flight.  
I am the soft stars that shine at night.  
Do not stand and look and cry;  
I am not there. I did not die.

Human  
The Killers

PLEASE GRAB YOUR NAPKINS AND WAVE  
THEM FOR THE FINAL GOODBYE



PLEASE STAY AND JOIN US FOR STORY TELLING,  
MEMORY SHARING, DRINKS AND MORE.