

*A celebration of the life of*



**William Mitton  
"Bill"**

**26.03.45 to 01.07.24**

**Manchester Crematorium**

**Wednesday 7th August 2024, 10:30am**

**Funeral Service Conducted by  
Christian Blake**

*Processional Music*  
*En Aranjuez Con Tu Amor - Grimethorpe Colliery Band*

*Words of Welcome*

*Hail Mary*

*Hail Mary, full of grace, The Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy  
womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of  
death.  
Amen.*

*A Poem - 'A Journey' written by Bill for his beloved Rose*

*We have travelled down the years my love  
never more than one heartbeat apart  
And I have not the words to tell you  
Of all that I hold here in my heart*

*The laughter and the joy we've shared  
the pain and sadness we've had to bear  
None of which I could have done  
without your love, your strength and care*

*Sometimes the road seems far too steep  
and I can get so weary of the climb.  
But you're always there to hold my hand  
and to make your strength be mine.*

*Life holds nothing, If it's not with you  
you are its Music, its Light and Shade  
The Colours that each day display  
are the painted canvas you have made*

*Yet with simple and imperfect words  
I'll try, with all my heart to say  
I wish you all the joy your heart can hold  
On this Day and every other day*

*For Bill*  
*Tributes to a wonderful dad, grandpa, brother and friend*

*Music for Reflection*  
*The Pearl Fishers Duet - Andrea Bocelli & Bryn Terfel*

*Farewell Bill*

*Our Father*  
*Our Father, who art in heaven,*  
*hallowed be thy name.*  
*Thy kingdom come, thy will be done*  
*on earth as it is in heaven.*  
*Give us this day our daily bread*  
*and forgive us our trespasses,*  
*as we forgive those who trespass against us;*  
*and lead us not into temptation,*  
*but deliver us from evil.*  
*Amen*

*Closing words*

*Recessional Music*  
*Baby Love - The Supremes*



*Bill will always be lovingly remembered  
As a kind, warm and loving soul.  
We are honoured, proud and grateful  
to call him our dad, grandpa and friend.*

*We would like to thank everyone for joining us today,  
and for the endless support and sympathy you have shown at this sad time.*

*Following the funeral,  
you are warmly invited to join Bill's family  
for refreshments, to share your memories and  
to continue the celebration of his life at*

The Bowling Green, Chorlton, M21 9ES

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and will be given to the benefit of:

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