

*Celebrating*  
THE LIFE OF



*Martin Chapman*

Sunrise: 4TH October 1988

Sunset: 27TH October 2024

*Service conducted by Rev. Nick Walsh  
St Luke's and St Mark's Downham*

## *Order of Service*

*Entrance Music: 'Memento Mori' by Feuerschwanz*

### *Introduction*

*Eulogy and Tributes: Read by Rev. Nick*

*Reflective Music – 'Christmas Truce' by Sabaton*

### *Bible Reading – John 16:20-24*

*Very truly I tell you, you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices. You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy. A woman giving birth to a child has pain because her time has come; but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish because of her joy that a child is born into the world. So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy. In that day you will no longer ask me anything. Very truly I tell you, my Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete.*

### *Address*

### *Prayers*

### *The Lord's Prayer*

### *Commendation and Committal*

*Exit Music: 'Bat Out Of Hell' by Meatloaf*

## *Eulogy*

*Martin was born in Lewisham and grew up in the surrounding borough.*

*While not one for academics, Martin was more of a hands on person; learning how to be a computer technician and being the one who was saddled with any DIY projects, at one point building a gaming table and display chair.*

*He was also an avid chess player, and his grandfather, in order to help with his maths skills, taught him how to play cribbage, which not only led to maths becoming his best subject, but he also always had a deck of cards and a crib board with him..*

*Martin had a keen interest in modern history, being quite knowledgeable on both World Wars and often watching documentaries on various historical subjects. He also enjoyed spending time with his friends, engaging in several tabletop games such as Warhammer, Dungeons and Dragons and Magic: the Gathering; along with whatever one-off title he could be convinced to try.*

*However, despite being mostly content to sit at his computer and fall asleep watching YouTube videos, Martin did have somewhat of an adventurous streak. On his 18th birthday he decided the best thing to do was to jump out of a plane. Then at 31 he walked over the Oz arena twice, first somehow convincing his brother, Neil, to join him and then with his Aunt Sue. Martin also had a desire to experience wing walking and climbing the rigging of the Cutty Sark. He did however draw the line at bungee jumping, saying it was too dangerous.*

*Martin was a kind, caring, helpful young man who had a witty, sarcastic sense of humour.*

*Some-one as special as Martin will never be forgotten.*

*Martin will be sorely missed by family, friends and anyone luckily enough to have known him.*



## APPRECIATION

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

## DONATIONS

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