

Graham James Willis

17th December 1942 - 17th April 2024

Wagga Wagga Lawn Cemetery Chapel Monday, 29th April 2024

Entrance Hymn

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder, Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made; I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain: Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee, How great Thou art, How great Thou art. Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee, How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

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 see the brook, and feel the gentle breeze. *Refrain*:

And when I think, that God, His Son not sparing; Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in; That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin. *Refrain*:

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration,
And then proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!" *Refrain*:

Welcome

Rev. Scott Goode

Grace and peace from the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Prayer

Loving God, you alone are the source of life.

May your life-giving Spirit flow through us.

Grant us your compassion, one for another.

In our sorrow give us the calm of your peace.

Kindle our hope and let our grief give way to joy;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing.

He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

He shall refresh my soul and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and staff, they comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;

you have anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Eulogy

Read by Bradley Willis

John 14:1-6

Read by Tom Manton

Jesus said, 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going.

How can we know the way?'

Jesus said, 'I am the way, the truth and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me.'

Homily

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
On earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
As we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
And deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours, Now and for ever. Amen.

Photo Tribute

"I Honestly Love You" by Olivia Newton-John "Over The Rainbow" by Israel Kamakawiwo'ole

Closing Music

"When The Rain Tumbles Down In July" by Slim Dusty

Pallbearers

Tom Manton, Jackson Manton, Andrew Manton, Peter Willis, Jason Willis, and Blake Willis

Graveside

Opening Music

"I'll Never Find Another You" by The Seekers

Committal

Blessing

Closing Music

"Try A Little Kindness" by Glen Campbell











To Those I Love And Those Who Love Me

When I am gone, release me, let me go, I have so many things to see and do. You mustn't tie yourself to me in tears, Be happy that we had so many years.

I gave you my love you can only guess
How much you gave to me in happiness.
I thank you for the love you each have shown
But now it's time I travelled on alone.

So grieve awhile for me if grieve you must Then let your grief be comforted by trust. It's pnly for a while that we must part So bless the memories within your heart.

I won't be far away for life goes on So if you need me call and I will come. Though you can't see or touch me I'll be near.

And if you listen with your heart you'll hear
All my love around you soft and clear
And then when you must come this way alone
I'll greet you with a smile and a
"Welcome Home".

Edna, Bradley, Julie, Peter and Graham's family would like to thank you all for your kindness and expressions of sympathy during this very sad time for their family.

Following the committal service in the Wagga Wagga Lawn Cemetery, please join the family at the Wagga Wagga Boat Club, Plumpton Road for light refreshments and the sharing of memories you have of Graham.

