

Ode to a Teacher Pat Mora (adapted)

I remember the first day, how I looked down, hoping you wouldn't see me, and when I glanced up, I saw your smile shining like a soft light from deep inside you.

"I'm listening," you encourage us. "Come on! Join our conversation, let us hear your neon certainties, thorny doubts, tangled angers," but for weeks I hid inside.

I read and reread your notes praising my writing, and you whispered, "We need you and your stories and questions that like a fresh path will take us to new vistas."

Slowly, your faith grew In to my courage and for you instead of handing you a note or apple or flowers-I raised my hand.

I carry your smile and faith inside like I carry my dog's face, my sister's laugh, creamy melodies, the softness of sunrise, the steady blessings of stars, early morning sights across the valley of mist with sunlight peeking through, and the security of a wood fire on a cold Winter's day.



Opening Song Getting to Know You by Deborah Kerr

> Words of Welcome Christine Capewell

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The Journey

Roberta's Story

Remembering a Friend Friends and Family

A Life in Pictures The Sound of Music Overture by Rogers and Hammerstein

The Farewell

Words of Farewell

Recessional Song Waltzing Matilda by Andre Rieu & Mirusia Louwerse Roberta's family would like to thank you for your love and support.

Immediately following the Service, you are invited to join together in The Memories Room for light refreshments.

> The hearse will leave Mason Park at 1.00pm for burial at the Avenel Cemetery