



In Loving Memory

Olive May Bertuch

4th March 1927 ~ 24th October 2022



The Funeral Service for Olive

Wangaratta Uniting Church
Thursday 3rd of November 2022 at 10.30am

Celebrant Rosemary Steele

Pianist Heather Miles

Opening Song

Come As You Are on piano

Words of Welcome

Rosemary Steele

Opening Prayer

Reading

Ecclesiastes Ch 3:1-8 ~ Ken Greene

There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under the heavens:
a time to be born and a time to die,
a time to plant and a time to uproot,
a time to kill and a time to heal,
a time to tear down and a time to build,
a time to weep and a time to laugh,
a time to mourn and a time to dance,
a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,
a time to search and a time to give up,
a time to keep and a time to throw away,
a time to tear and a time to mend,
a time to be silent and a time to speak,
a time to love and a time to hate,
a time for war and a time for peace.

Hymn

Come As You Are

Come as you are, that's how I want you.

Come as you are, feel quite at home.

Close to my heart, loved and forgiven;

come as you are, why stand alone?

No need to fear, love sets no limits.

No need to fear, love never ends.

Don't run away, shamed as disheartened.

Rest in my love, trust me again.

I came to call sinners, not just the virtuous.

I came to bring peace, not to condemn.

Each time you fail to live by my promise,

why do you think I'd love you the less?

Come as you are, that's how I love you.

Come as you are, trust me again.

Nothing can change the love that I bear you.

All will be well, just come as you are.

Remembering Olive

Eulogy ~ read by Robyn

Family Tributes

Words by Robyn, Colin and Bryan

Grandchildren's Tribute

Helen Young on behalf of Olive's grandchildren

A Life In Pictures

You'll Never Walk Alone ~ Gerry and the Pacemakers

Supermarket Flowers ~ Ed Sheeran

Reflection

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

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.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch; like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!
The Lord hath promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.
When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.
Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

Commendation

Final Prayer and Blessing

Exit Music

Take Me Home Country Road - John Denver

At The Cemetery

Hallelujah - k.d. Lang

A Mother's Love

*A Mother's love is something that no one can explain,
It is made of deep devotion and of sacrifice and pain,
It is endless and unselfish and enduring come what may
For nothing can destroy it or take that love away . . .
It is patient and forgiving when all others are forsaking,
And it never fails or falters even though the heart is breaking . . .
It believes beyond believing when the world around condemns,
And it glows with all the beauty of the rarest, brightest gems . . .
It is far beyond defining, it defies all explanation,
And it still remains a secret like the mysteries of creation . . .
A many splendored miracle man cannot understand
And another wondrous evidence of God's tender guiding hand.*

By Helen Steiner Rice





Olive's family thank you for your support and presence here today and invite you to join them for light refreshments back in the Wangaratta Uniting Church hall following the graveside service.