

A Hero's Welcome

By Robert Longley

Time to come home dear brother
Your tour of duty through
You've given as much as anyone
Could be expected to do

Just a few steps further
The smoke will start to clear
Others here will guide you
You have no need of fear

You have not failed your brothers
You clearly gave it all
And through your selfless actions
Others will hear the call

So take your place of honor
Among those who have gone before
And know you will be remembered
For now and evermore



Michael James Higgs

5 December 1943 – 9 November 2022

Funeral Service

Friday 25 November 2022, 2.00pm

Mason Park Funerals

95 Mason Street, Wangaratta, Victoria, 3677

ORDER OF SERVICE

Entrance Song

Il Silenzio by Jean Paques

Introduction and Welcome

Tania O'Neill

Placing of Life Symbols

Read by Tania O'Neill

Placed by Chantelle Higgs and Ashlee O'Neill

Eulogy

Michelle Mahoney

Poem - A Hero's Welcome

Kathleen O'Neill

A Life in Pictures

Calypso by John Denver

RSL Tribute

Phil Keeghan, President, Bright RSL Sub-Branch

Ode of Remembrance

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old.

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun, and in the morning

We will remember them.

All Respond: We will remember them.

Last Post and Reveille

Royal Australian Navy Band

Lest we forget.

All Respond: Lest we forget.

Recessional Song

Somewhere Over the Rainbow by Israel Kamakawiwo'ole

Pall Bearers

Colleen Christopher

Monica O'Neill

Adam Higgs

Paul Christopher

Sharon Bell

Paula O'Neill

Following the service, light refreshments will be served at

Tania and Peter's home at 15 Hulme Drive, Wangaratta.