

**A Celebration for the Life of**

*Paul James Todd*

**3<sup>rd</sup> February 1961 to 8<sup>th</sup> March 2022**



**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2022 at 2:30pm**  
**Service conducted by the Reverend Adrian Hirst**

Chilterns Crematorium, Milton Chapel  
Whielden Lane, Amersham, HP7 0ND







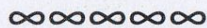
## **Entrance Music**

Bagpipes by Pipe Major Andrew Brian



## **Welcome and Introduction**

Adrian



## **Abide With Me**

*Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;  
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.*

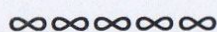
*Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away;  
Change and decay in all around I see;  
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.*

*I need Thy presence every passing hour.  
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.*

*I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless;  
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.*



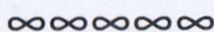
Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.  
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.



## **As We Look Back**

Read by Paul's Daughter, Morgan

As we look back over time  
We find ourselves wondering...  
Did we remember to thank you enough  
for all you have done for us?  
For all the times you were by our sides  
To help and support us,  
To celebrate our successes,  
To understand our problems,  
And accept our defeats?  
Or for teaching us by your example,  
The value of hard work, good judgement,  
Courage and integrity?  
We wonder if we ever thanked you  
For the sacrifices you made  
To let us have the very best?  
And for the simple things  
Like the laughter, smiles and times we shared?  
If we have forgotten to show our  
Gratitude enough for all the things you did,  
We're thanking you now.  
And we are hoping you knew all along,  
How much you meant to us.





# Family Words of Tribute

Read by Paul's Son, Oliver



## A Few Moments of Reflection

"I'll see you in my dreams" – Bruce Springsteen



## Prayers

Adrian



## Not How Did He Die, But How Did He Live? – Summer Sandercox

Read by Adrian

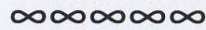
*Not how did he die, but how did he live?  
Not what did he gain, but what did he give?  
These are the units to measure the worth  
Of a man as a man, regardless of birth.  
Not what was his church, nor what was his creed?  
But had he befriended those really in need?  
Was he ever ready, with word of good cheer,  
To bring back a smile, to banish a tear?  
Not what did the sketch in the newspaper say,  
But how many were sorry when he passed away?*





# Words of Commendation and Committal

Adrian



## Exit Music

Bagpipes by Pipe Major Andrew Brian



A thank you message from Paul's Family

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to all our family and friends, for their love and support during this difficult time and for joining us today to share in a celebration of his life.











Paul's Family would like to invite you to join them for  
refreshments at  
The Swan Inn,  
122 High Street, Amersham, HP7 0ED.