

## Sample orders of service for non-religious funerals

### Funeral Service for C W Natural Burial Ground

*Music to assemble to:* May You Never – John Martyn

*Welcome and Opening Words:* Amy Perkins,  
Independent Celebrant

*Music:* Green Tara Mantra – Drukmo Gyal

*Poem:* A Woman is a Success

*Eulogy*

*Tributes from friends and family*

*Reflection*

[Attendees to take a parcel tag and write on it their own message to the deceased while music plays.]

*Reflection music from:* Joni Mitchell  
and the Beach Boys

[Messages to send with C threaded onto ribbon which G will then place on the coffin]

[Coffin carried by bearers to the grave]

*Words of commendation and committal*

*Closing words*

*Poem:* Something Beautiful Remains

*Music to leave to:* Spirit in the Sky  
– Norman Greenbaum

### Funeral Service for S A (cremation)

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*Entrance music*

Against All Odds – Phil Collins

*Welcome and Opening Words*  
Amy Perkins, Independent Celebrant

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*Hymn*

Jerusalem

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*Eulogy*

A few words from P (husband of the deceased)

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*Reflection*

Power of Love – Celine Dion (with visual tribute)  
[Grandchildren to each lay a flower with the coffin]

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*Words of commendation and committal*

*Closing words*

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*Poem*

She is gone

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*Exit music*

Knowing Me, Knowing You – ABBA

### Funeral Service for E B (cremation)

(on what would have been her 93rd birthday)

*Entrance music:* Moonlight serenade – Glenn Miller

*Welcome and Opening Words:* Amy Perkins,  
Independent Celebrant

*Music:* Happy Birthday – Stevie Wonder

[Family to lay roses with the coffin. Congregation to join in singing.]

My Life Has Now Ended – written by E (the deceased)

*Granddaughter's tribute*

*Reflection:* In the Mood – Glenn Miller

[Congregation to get up and dance]

*Words of farewell*

*Closing words*

*Exit music:* We'll Meet Again – Vera Lynn

[With everyone to join in singing.]