

The family would like to thank all who have attended this service and for the kind messages of sympathy and support and many cards and letters of condolence received.



We would like to invite everyone to Queenswood, Pauline and Stuart's home, to continue to celebrate Stuart's life; the family will join you for refreshments and to continue to share those special memories we all have.

Stuart touched the lives of so many people, all of whom have memories and stories to remember him by, some of which the family haven't yet heard.

We would love it if you could share your anecdotes and memories of him with us, so there will be some memory books at Queenswood for you to write in. We would appreciate it if you would take the time to do this.

There is ample parking in our field.

Directions: *From the church, turn right on the road that takes you through the village. Queenswood is on the right at the end of the village, at WR13 5NF*

A Service of Reflection, Thanksgiving and Celebration



For the Life of Stuart Hodder Diplock

19 September 1950 - 21 April 2023

St James the Great Church, Cradley,

Wednesday 24 May 2023

at 3.00 p.m.

ENTRY MUSIC

Wynne Harries, organist

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER - *Rev. Robert Ward*

A MOMENT OF REFLECTION

God be in My Head .. *Kings College Cambridge Choir*

HYMN

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;
Bear patiently the cross of grief and pain;
Leave to your God to order and provide;
In every change he faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: your God will undertake
To guide the future as he has the past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake,
All now mysterious shall be clear at last.
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
His voice, who ruled them while he dwelt below.

Be still, my soul when dearest friends depart
And all is darkened in the vale of tears,
Then you shall better know his love, his heart,
Who comes to soothe your sorrow, calm your fears.
Be still, my soul: for Jesus can repay
From his own fullness all he takes away.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on
When we shall be for ever with the Lord,
When disappointment, grief and fear are gone,
Sorrow forgotten, love's pure joy restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

ANTHEM - *sung by Cradley Church Choir*

John Rutter

'The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord make His face to shine upon you,
and be gracious unto you,
The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you,
and give you peace. Amen'

COMMENDATION

BLESSING

EXIT MUSIC - *American Pie (Don McLean)*
*In memory of all the Explorer camp nights and family
celebrations which ended with this song.*

THE COMMITTAL

**This will take place at a private family burial in the
churchyard immediately after the service.**
The Diplock Family will join you at Queenswood afterwards.

DONATIONS

*Instead of flowers, donations are invited in Stuart's memory,
to be shared between the British Heart Foundation
and St. Michael's Hospice, Hereford, who so kindly looked after
Stuart's youngest brother Nick who died last year. Please send to
Emma Bouston, Funeral Services, 3 New Rd, Bromyard HR7 4AH*

HYMN

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art, how great though art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art, how great though art!*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;
Then sings my soul,...

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home—what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul,...

POEM

Unbelievable - Harriet Diplock

Stuart's early years - Gerald Mullen

HYMN

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
Forgive our foolish ways;
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,
In purer lives thy service find,
In deeper reverence praise,
In deeper reverence praise.

Drop thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of thy peace,
The beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm,
O still small voice of calm.

Family Tribute to Stuart - Tim Diplock

BIBLE READING

Matthew 13: 31-35 - *Martin Diplock*

The Parables of the Mustard Seed and the Yeast

He told them another parable. "The Kingdom of God is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. Though it is the smallest of all your seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and perch in its branches."

He told them still another parable: "The Kingdom of Heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into a large amount of flour until it worked all through the dough".

Jesus spoke all these things to the crowd in parables; he did not say anything to them without using a parable. So was fulfilled what was spoken through the prophet.

Reflections of Stuart's Life through photos and music

ADDRESS - *Rev. Anne Potter*

PRAYERS - *Rev. Robert Ward*

Finishing with The Lords 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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.

Amen