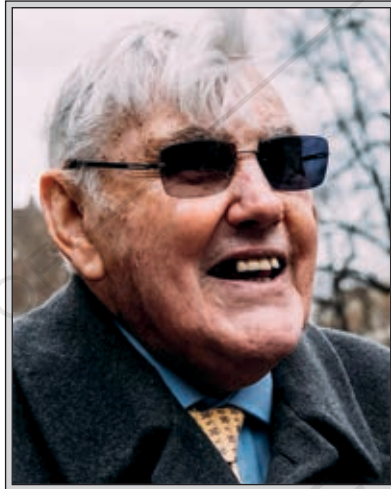


A SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING  
FOR THE LIFE OF

RON BRADSHAW



30th July 1933 - 23rd February 2024

St James Church, Birkdale  
Thursday 28th March 2024 at 12.30 pm



# ORDER OF SERVICE

## ENTRANCE MUSIC

The Lord Is My Shepherd

## OPENING PRAYER

HYMN  
**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, O 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!

## TRIBUTES

by Mark Tushingham and Tim Bradshaw

### HYMN

#### **Jerusalem**

And did those feet in ancient time  
Walk upon England's mountains green?  
And was the Holy Lamb of God  
On England's pleasant pastures seen?  
And did the countenance divine  
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?  
And was Jerusalem builded here  
Among these dark satanic mills?

Bring me my bow of burning gold!  
Bring me my arrows of desire!  
Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!  
Bring me my chariot of fire!  
I will not cease from mental fight,  
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,  
Till we have built Jerusalem  
In England's green and pleasant land.

## READING

Psalm 23

## PRAYERS

### 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, the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

WORDS OF COMMENDATION AND BLESSING

EXIT MUSIC

What A Wonderful World

Louis Armstrong





Ron's family would like to thank you for your kindness and support shown to them during this sad time.

They would like to invite you to Royal Birkdale Golf Club following the service for light refreshments and to share memories of Ron.

Donations are being gratefully received for  
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