

Memorial Service
*Celebrating the Life
of
Sally J. Lemaire*



SAY IT

It does not matter what the thought. Say it!
It does not matter what the feeling. Express it!
The level of intensity - accept it!
Raise the volume. Turn it down.
Adjust as needed - only say it!

Sally Lemaire

November 5, 2016

10:00 AM

Abbey Chapel
Mount Holyoke College
South Hadley, Massachusetts

Memorial Service
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of

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March 19, 1946 - September 3, 2016

Prelude

Richard Matteson, organist - "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"
by Bach and "Jesus, Lead Thou On" by Paul Manz

Alice Robbins, Baroque Cello and Richard Matteson,
"Sonata #1 In A Minor" by Giovanni Bononcini (1670-1747)

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Andrea Ayvazian

Opening Prayer

Rev. Vicki Kemper

Congregational Hymn

"Abide With Me" (See Insert)

Letter of Appreciation

from the Mount Holyoke
European Council Alumnae

Betsy Rushong

Remembrance

David Lemaire

Musical Offering

Haydenville Congregational Church Choir
"Precious Lord," directed and accompanied
by Jeff Olmsted

Scripture Reading

Psalm 121

Lisa Berman

Remembrance

Mary Gerken-Newcomb

Four Poems by Sally

KINDNESS

GRIEF

ASH

THE WORLD IS NOT WITH US ENOUGH

Faye Hollender

Musical Offering

Ivy Tillman, Soloist
"There is a Balm in Gilead"

Remembrance	Rev. Dr. Andrea Ayvazian
Thank You, Sally	Faye Hollender Trish LaFreniere Karen Howery
Musical Offering	Haydenville Congregational Church Choir "It Is Well With My Soul" directed by Jeff Olmsted
Remembrance	Lisa Durell
Prayer of Thanksgiving	Rev. Vicki Kemper
Commendation	Rev. Dr. Andrea Ayvazian
A Poem for Sally "The Thing Is" by Ellen Bass	Faye Hollender
Benediction	Rev. Dr. Andrea Ayvazian and Rev. Vicki Kemper
Postlude	Richard Matteson, organist - "Ode to Joy" from Beethoven's Ninth Symphony

Greeters: Lynn Goodhue, Fred Goodhue, Dorothy Cresswell, Dusty Miller

All in attendance are invited to gather for a reception in the Morrison Room of the Willits-Hallowell Conference Center on the Mount Holyoke College Campus immediately following the service. Heartfelt appreciation to dear friends of Sally, and to the Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College for funding this reception to honor Sally.

A special thank you to cellist Alice Robbins who offered her performance of Bononcini's Sonata #1 in A Minor in tribute to Sally and in thanks for Sally's years of support for Arcadia Players.

Some Questions You Might Ask

Is the soul solid, like iron?
Or is it tender and breakable, like
the wings of a moth in the beak of the owl?
Who has it, and who doesn't?
I keep looking around me.
The face of the moose is as sad
as the face of Jesus.
The swan opens her white wings slowly.
In the fall, the black bear carries leaves into the darkness.
One question leads to another.
Does it have a shape? Like an iceberg?
Like the eye of a hummingbird?
Does it have one lung, like the snake and the scallop?
Why should I have it, and not the anteater
who loves her children?
Why should I have it, and not the camel?
Come to think of it, what about the maple trees?
What about the blue iris?
What about all the little stones, sitting alone in the moonlight?
What about roses, and lemons, and their shining leaves?
What about the grass?

Mary Oliver
from
Blue Iris, 2004



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Pastel Drawings and Poems*
by Sally Lemaire
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