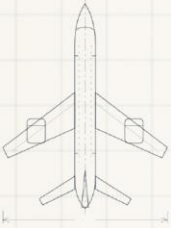


A SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING
— FOR THE LIFE OF —



JOHN LOMAX

17 October 1935 – 3 September 2026

*Loving father, devoted husband, brilliant engineer,
wonderfully funny grandfather.*

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FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER 2026 · 11.00 AM

CISSBURY BARN · FINDON

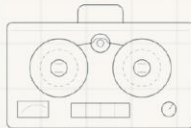
W E L C O M E

Thank you for being here today as we come together, in love and friendship, to honour and give thanks for the life of John Lomax – a dearly loved husband, dad, grandad, cousin and friend.

We send a warm welcome, too, to everyone joining us on the webcast, including Nancy's sister Alice and family in California, and John's cousins in Cornwall and Shropshire.

On your seat you will find this order of service, a sheet of paper and a pen. Please keep them safe – towards the end of the service we'll explain what they are for.

"A Celebration of Life asks us to lift our gaze from what we've lost and instead contemplate what we've been given."



CELEBRANT

Sam Goodchild
Independent Celebrant

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

Sam Goodchild

Celebrant

MUSIC

Moonlight Serenade

Glenn Miller

TRIBUTE

Russ

John's eldest son

I

CHILDHOOD

*Born in Southampton, 1935 · evacuated twice in wartime ·
apprenticed at the Royal Aircraft Establishment, Farnborough, at 15*

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Bridge Over Troubled Water

Simon & Garfunkel

TRIBUTE

Grace

John's daughter

II

BEING PART OF ENGINEERING HISTORY
· THE AMERICAS ·

Montreal · New York · Palo Alto

The Black Box · the Telstar transponder · the portable video recorder

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Ac-Cent-Tchu-Ate the Positive

Bing Crosby & The Andrews Sisters

TRIBUTE

Zoe

John's daughter

III

RETURNING TO ENGLAND
& STARTING A FAMILY

Russ, then triplets Grace, Zoe and Ken ·

founding the Sports Technology course at Brighton University

MUSICAL REFLECTION

What a Wonderful World

Louis Armstrong

TRIBUTE

Ken

John's son

IV

RETIREMENT & GRANDCHILDREN

*Laura, Jack, Arthur, Bonnie, Annabel, Serena and Vincent ·
cycling, chess, whistling, swimming and diving*

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Smile

Nat King Cole

TRIBUTE

Annabel

on behalf of John's grandchildren

WORDS OF FAREWELL

Sam Goodchild



PER ARDUA AD ASTRA

Through endeavour to the stars

FAREWELL

PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

*John,
we carry you with us as we move forward with our lives.*

Everything you have done is still done.

Everyone you love is still loved.

Everything we've learnt from you is still learnt.

*We will let you pass from this world
for which you did so much,
for which you continue to do.*

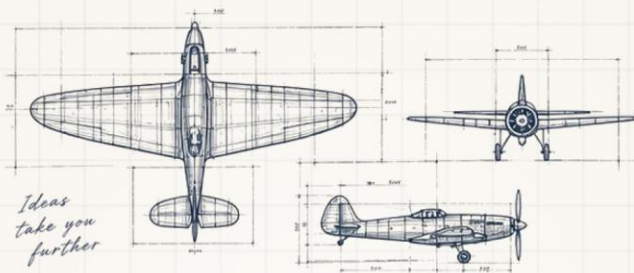
*Because when we walk this Earth,
we walk it with you.*

*Your memory and your love continue to guide us,
as you did when you were at our side.*

For this we say thank you and farewell.

PER ARDUA AD ASTRA, JOHN

PLEASE BE SEATED



MUSICAL REFLECTION

WE ARE THE RAE 15

Do join in and sing along if you'd like to

We are the RAE15.
Not any use are we.
We never train or practice.
We are always on the spree.

But when the game is over.
We sing with all our might.
Per ardua ad astra.
Blow you Jack, we're alright.

CLOSING WORDS

Sam Goodchild

CLOSING MUSIC

See You Later, Alligator

Bill Haley & His Comets

AFTER THE SERVICE

You are warmly invited to join the family for refreshments in the barn next door until 2.30 pm.

John will remain here throughout the afternoon. Please feel free to come back across with a cup of tea, sit with him a while, and say farewell in whatever way feels right to you.

FLYING MEMORIES

WRITE · FOLD · FLY · REMEMBER

Write John a message on your paper, fold it into a paper aeroplane and, whenever the moment feels right, send it flying along the pétanque court – and leave it where it lands.

At 2.30 pm, please join us outside to wave John farewell.



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