

*A Celebration and Thanksgiving
for the life of*



Kenneth Tooth
'Ken'

19th September 1939 - 29th June 2026

Avisford Park Hotel

Friday 7th August 2026
at 5:30pm

Service conducted by Jo Scott

Entry Music

'Stranger On The Shore' - Acker Bilk

Welcome and Introduction

Words on Grief

*'Grief is a form of love. It is a pent-up love you can no longer give or share;
and it is the loss of the love, you can no longer receive'*

Song

'Sailing' - Rod Stewart

I am sailing, I am sailing
Home again 'cross the sea
I am sailing stormy waters
To be near you, to be free

I am flying, I am flying
Like a bird 'cross the sky
I am flying, passing high clouds
To be with you, to be free

Chorus

*Can you hear me, can you hear me
Thro' the dark night, far away
I am dying, forever crying
To be with you, who can say (x2)*

We are sailing, we are sailing
Home again 'cross the sea
We are sailing stormy waters
To be near you, to be free

Oh Lord, to be near you, to be free
Oh (My) Lord, to be near you, to be free
Oh Lord (x2)

Poem

'Sea Fever' - John Masfield

I must go down to the seas again, to the lonely sea and the sky,
And all I ask is a tall ship and a star to steer her by;
And the wheel's kick and the wind's song and the white sail's shaking,
And a grey mist on the sea's face, and a grey dawn breaking.

I must go down to the seas again, for the call of the running tide
Is a wild call and a clear call that may not be denied;
And all I ask is a windy day with the white clouds flying,
And the flung spray and the blown spume, and the sea-gulls crying.

I must go down to the seas again, to the vagrant gypsy life,
To the gull's way and the whale's way where the wind's like a whetted knife;
And all I ask is a merry yarn from a laughing fellow-rover,
And quiet sleep and a sweet dream when the long trick's over.

Eulogy

by Helen

Poem

'On Those Days' - Donna Ashworth

On those days.
When you missed someone the most.
As though your memories
Are sharp enough
to slice through skin and bone.
Remember how they loved you.
Remember how they loved you
and do that
for yourself.
In their name,
in their honour.
Love yourself.
As they loved you.
They would like that.
On those days. When you miss someone the most.
Love yourself harder.

Music and Visual Tribute

'On the Sunny Side of the Street' - Chris Barber and Jools Holland

Song

'Pearls a Singer' - Elkie Brooks

Pearl's a singer
She stands up, when she plays the piano in a nightclub
Pearl's a singer
She sings songs for the lost and the lonely
Her job is entertaining folks
Singing songs and telling jokes in a nightclub

Pearl's a singer
And they say, that she once, was a winner in a contest
Pearl's a singer
And they say, that she once cut a record
They played it for a week or so
On the local radio, it never made it
She wanted to be Betty Grable
But now she sits there at that beer-stained table
Dreaming of the things she never got to do
All those dreams that never came true

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Poem

'Jigsaw'

Wouldn't stay without you, Couldn't bear to be apart,
we shared so much together, we shared a beating heart.
Lover, partner, best friend, the true light of my life,
so fortunate to find you, and be as man and wife.

We were a two piece jigsaw, a real perfect fit,
whatever gave us trouble, we'd both face up to it.
A stronger bond, you'd never find,
joined from head to toe, couldn't be without you,
couldn't cope to see you go.

So, our loved ones now will miss us, and tears passed,
no doubt, but I hope it gives them comfort now,
for now, I'm not without.
I'm back there with my lover, the one I did adore,
2 pieces back together, again a whole jigsaw.

Poem

'Smiling is Infectious' - Spike Milligan

Smiling is infectious,
you catch it like the flu,
When someone smiled at me today,
I started smiling too.
I passed around the corner
and someone saw my grin.
When he smiled I realised
I'd passed it on to him.
I thought about that smile,
then I realised its worth.
A single smile, just like mine
could travel round the earth.
So, if you feel a smile begin,
don't leave it undetected.
Let's start an epidemic quick,
and get the world infected!

Song

'Don't Stop Me Now' - Queen

Tonight, I'm gonna have myself a real good time

I feel alive

And the world, I'll turn it inside out, yeah

I'm floatin' around in ecstasy

So don't stop me now

Don't stop me

'Cause I'm havin' a good time

Havin' a good time

I'm a shootin' star, leapin' through the sky like a tiger

Defyin' the laws of gravity

I'm a racin' car, passin' by like Lady Godiva

I'm gonna go, go, go, there's no stoppin' me

I'm burnin' through the sky, yeah

Two hundred degrees, that's why they call me Mister Fahrenheit

I'm travelling at the speed of light

I wanna make a supersonic man outta you

Don't stop me now

I'm havin' such a good time, I'm havin' a ball

Don't stop me now

If you wanna have a good time, just give me a call

(Don't stop me now) 'Cause I'm havin' a good time

(Don't stop me now) Yes, I'm havin' a good time

I don't wanna stop at all, yeah

I'm a rocket ship on my way to Mars on a collision course

I am a satellite, I'm out of control

I'm a sex machine, ready to reload like an atom bomb

About to oh, oh, oh, oh, oh, explode

I'm burnin' through the sky, yeah

Two hundred degrees, that's why they call me Mister Fahrenheit

I'm travellin' at the speed of light

I wanna make a supersonic woman of you

(Don't stop me, don't stop me, don't stop me) Hey, hey, hey
(Don't stop me, don't stop me, ooh, ooh, ooh) I like it
(Don't stop me, don't stop me, hey, alright) Have a good time, good time
(Don't stop me, don't stop me) Woah
Let loose, honey, alright

Oh, I'm burnin' through the sky, yeah
Two hundred degrees, that's why they call me Mister Fahrenheit, hey
Travellin' at the speed of light
I wanna make a supersonic man outta you, hey, hey

Don't stop me now
I'm havin' such a good time, I'm havin' a ball
Don't stop me now
(Ooh) If you wanna have a good time (Alright), just give me a call
(Don't stop me now) 'Cause I'm havin' a good time (Hey, hey)
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*Ken's family wish to express their sincere thanks to everyone here today,
for all the kind expressions of sympathy, cards, letters and messages
of condolence received at this very sad time.*



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