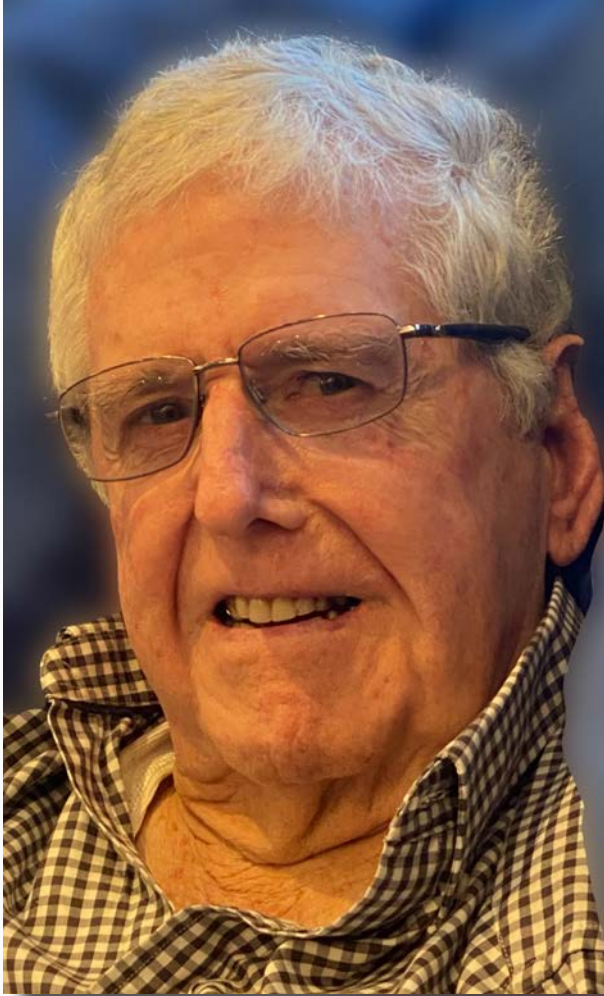


A Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of



**Kenneth David
McGowan**

25th September 1943 - 1st August 2024

St John's Anglican Church
Wagga Wagga

Thursday, 8th August 2024

Opening Music

“Up Where We Belong” Joe Cocker and Jennifer Warnes

Welcome

Venerable Dr Grant Bell

Hymn

“All Things Bright and Beautiful” by 1 Voice

All things bright and beautiful all creatures great and small
All things wise and wonderful the Lord God made them all

Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings
He made their glowing colours, He made their tiny wings

All things bright and beautiful all creatures great and small
All things wise and wonderful the Lord God made them all

The purple headed mountains, the river running by
The sunset and the morning that brightens up the sky

All things bright and beautiful all creatures great and small
All things wise and wonderful the Lord God made them all

The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun
The ripe fruits in the garden, He made them every one

All things bright and beautiful all creatures great and small
All things wise and wonderful the Lord God made them all

He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell
How great is the Almighty who has made all things well

All things bright and beautiful All creatures great and small
All things wise and wonderful the Lord God made them all

Opening Prayers

Venerable Dr Grant Bell

Let us pray:

Loving God, you alone are the source of life.
May your life-giving spirit flow through us,
and fill us with compassion, one for another.
In our sorrow give us the calm of your peace.
Kindle our hope, and let our grief give way to joy;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Psalm 23

Read by Sally and Amy Millard

Response: I will fear no evil, for you are with me.

The Lord is my shepherd therefore can I lack nothing He shall make me lie down in green pastures: and lead me beside still waters. **Response**

He shall refresh my soul: and guide me in right pathways for his names sake though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil for you are with me; your rod and staff comfort me. **Response**

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me: you have anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full. Surely goodness and loving-kindness will follow me all the days of my life: and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. **Response**

John 14: 1-6

Read by Ellie McGowan

Jesus Said “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.

And you know the way to the place where I am going.”

Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, how can we know the way?”

Jesus answered, “I am the way, and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me”.

Eulogy

Paul McGowan

Rhani Millard

Stuart McGowan

Reflection Music

“Amazing Grace” by Isla Grant

Address

Venerable Dr Grant Bell

Photo Tribute

“My Way” by Frank Sinatra

“Up There Cazaly” by Mike Brady

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,
Forever and ever.
Amen.

Farewell

Venerable Dr Grant Bell

Holy and loving Father,
by your mighty power, you gave us life,
in your love, you have given us new life in Christ Jesus.

**We entrust Kenneth to your merciful keeping
in the faith of Jesus Christ,
who died and rose again to save us,
and now lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit
in glory for ever. Amen.**

Benediction

Closing Music

"Goodbye" by Kenny Rogers

Pallbearers

*Paul McGowan, Stuart McGowan, Jack McGowan
Sam McGowan, Matt McGowan, Will McGowan*

Tributes

Indi McGowan

Graveside Service Wagga Wagga Lawn Cemetery

Opening Music
“Resting Place” by Charley Pride

Committal
“Geelong Theme Song”

Closing Music
“Where No One Stands Alone” Elvis Presley



“God only Takes The Best”

By Unknown Author

*A golden heart stopped beating
Hard working hands at rest
It broke our hearts to see you go
God only takes the best.*

*They say memories are golden
Well maybe that is true
But we never wanted memories
We only wanted you.
Your life was love and labour
Your love for family true
You did your best for all of us
We will always remeber you.
We sat beside your bedside
Our hearts were crushed and sore
We did our duty to the end
‘Til we could do no more.*

*In tears we watched you skinking
We watched you fade away
And though our hearts were breaking
We knew you could not stay.*

*Our lips cannot speak how we loved you
Our hearts cannot tell what to say
But God only knows how we miss you
In our home that is lonely today.*



Lorraine, Paul, Rhani, Stuart and Ken's extended family would like to thank you all for your kindness and expressions of sympathy during this very sad time for their family.

Following the committal prayers at the Wagga Wagga Lawn Cemetery please join the family at The Wagga Boat Club, Nelson Drive, for light refreshments and sharing memories you have of Ken.