

IN LOVING MEMORY

Valda Baker

31ST MAY 1933 ~ 10TH NOVEMBER 2023





VALDA MURIEL BAKER

Affectionately known as Val

Dearly loved wife of

the Late Bruce Baker

Much loved mother and mother-in-law of

Robert & Margaret Baker

Robyn & Bruce Foster

Cherished Nan of

Scott, Rick, Linden, Calvin and Geordie

Old Nan of

James and Elise

Pallbearers

Scott Baker

Rick Baker

Geordie Baker

Calvin Foster

Clergy

Reverend Sue-Ellen Chilvers

Anglican Cathedral Church of St Alban the Martyr

Thursday 16th November 2023

WELCOME & GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

We have come together to thank God for the life of Valda, to mourn and honour her, to lay to rest her mortal body, and to support one another in grief. We face the certainty of our own death and judgement. Yet Christians believe that those who die in Christ share eternal life with him. Therefore, in faith and hope we turn to God, who created and sustains us all.

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, yet will they live." John 11.25

Let us pray together: 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.

EULOGY

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;

he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff - they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A reading from the Gospel of Saint John 14.1-6

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 will 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 do not know where you are going.

How can we know the way?'

Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

HOMILY The Reverend Canon Sue-Ellen Chilvers

THE PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER - Traditional

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

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.

THE FAREWELL

Lord Jesus Christ, you gave new birth to our sister Valda,
by water and the Spirit.

Grant that her death may recall to us your victory over death, and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father's love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way, to live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. Amen.

Let us entrust our sister Valda to the mercy of God.

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

We entrust Valda 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.

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

The Lord bless you and keep you;

The Lord make his face to shine upon you,
and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you,
and give you peace. Amen.

Go in peace in the name of Christ. Amen.







Thankyou for your presence here today.
Your expressions of sympathy, love, prayers
and friendship are greatly appreciated.

Please join us for light refreshments at the
Griffith Exies Sports Club after the service.

Robert, Margaret, Robyn, Bruce and extended families

