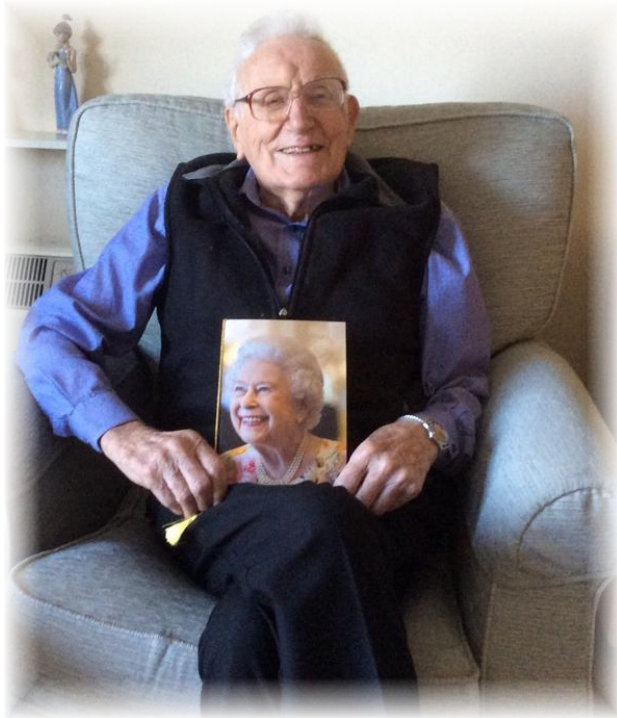


*A Service of Thanksgiving  
for the Life of*

*Alec Kellaway  
(Ernest Alexander Kellaway)*

*19th January 1918 – 4th March 2020*



Friday 20th March 2020 - 2:30pm

Test Valley Crematorium

*Processional Music:*  
Make Me A Channel Of Your Peace



*Welcome and Introduction*  
By Sim Dendy



*Reading - Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8*



*Poem - The Dash*

*Read by Tim Parker, on behalf of Alec's daughter Lesley*

I read of a man who stood to speak at the funeral of a friend.  
He referred to the dates on the tombstone from the beginning... to the end.

He noted that first came the date of birth and spoke of the following date with  
tears, but he said what mattered most of all was the dash between those years.

For that dash represents all the time they spent alive on earth and now only  
those who loved them know what that little line is worth.

For it matters not, how much we own, the cars... the house... the cash.  
What matters is how we live and love and how we spend our dash.

So think about this long and hard; are there things you'd like to change?  
For you never know how much time is left that still can be rearranged.

To be less quick to anger and show appreciation more and  
love the people in our lives like we've never loved before.

If we treat each other with respect and more often wear a smile...  
remembering that this special dash might only last a little while.

So when your eulogy is being read, with your life's actions to rehash,  
would you be proud of the things they say about how you lived your dash?

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# *Reflections on Alec's Life*

*Read by Sim Dendy*

Collated by Bill Kellaway  
On behalf of Alec's children  
Bill, Bob, Chris & Lesley



## *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 for ever and ever.  
Amen



## *The Act of Remembrance*

The Last Post

Silence

Reveille



## *Committal and Blessing*



## *Recessional Music:*

Keep On The Sunny Side - The Original Carter Family



Donations in memory of Alec can be given/sent to the funeral director,  
or made online at [www.ernest-kellaway.muchloved.com](http://www.ernest-kellaway.muchloved.com)

All donations made will be given to:  
RHCH (McGill Ward)  
Cheques made payable to the 'Hampshire Hospitals Charity'



There will be a Memorial Service and Celebration of Alec's Life at a later date once the UK is clear of the current Coronavirus situation.

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