

*A Farewell to*



***Peter Collins***

*26<sup>th</sup> February 1940 – 30<sup>th</sup> October 2021*

Kent and Sussex Crematorium  
Tunbridge Wells  
29<sup>th</sup> November 2021, 1pm

*Gathering Music: Litany, Jan Garbarek & The Hilliard Ensemble*

*Entry Music: A Simple Life, sung by Barrie & Ingrid Temple,  
written by Barrie Temple*

**Welcome**

Felicity Harvest

Reding: *When Great Trees Fall* by Maya Angelou

**The Tribute**

Based on the contributions of Becky, Mat and Liz Collins,  
Anne Baggett, and Michael Collins

And with the words of Chrissy and Jim Glover

*Music: Cool of the Day, sung by Peter Collins*

Reading: Edgar Albert Guest , *"It Couldn't be Done"*

Music: Over the Hill, sung by Peter Collins

*Music: A Fond Farewell, sung by Barrie and Ingrid Temple,  
written by Barrie Temple*

## The Reflection

"The Stranger and the Empty Chair" by Barrie Temple

*Like soldiers in battle, we stood side by side.  
Through good times and bad, we always survived.  
Till a stranger he came and he stood in between.  
And the world that we knew; we'd never see again.*

*Why does this stranger carry one empty chair?  
The answer is something, I know I must bear  
He says that the chair is to carry with me  
A reminder of times; how they used to be.*

*So now it is with me, wherever I go  
I use it in times, when I'm feeling low  
I can sit in its arms; it's my true place of peace  
And the comfort it brings, it may never cease.*

*But as time it moves onwards and I rest in its care  
The thought comes that soon, it may not be there  
When it happens, I'll know that it's job is now done  
As together, once more, we can walk hand in hand.*

*We lived a full life and we treasured each day  
And what fortune it brought us, we'd embrace it and say  
All the love that we have, is the love we must give  
So now and forever, that love, it will live.*

Lovers & Friends, sung by Peter Collins

**The Farewell**

Becky Collins and Felicity Harvest

**Closing words**

**Little Eyes**, lead by Pete Luscombe with Victory  
and Hartley Morris

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Friends and family are invited to join as at

The Elephant's Head,  
Bayham Rod,  
Hook Green,  
TN3 8LJ

to share memories, singing and Maureen's Marvellous Cakes.

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Memorial donations can be made at  
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We are supporting Halsway Manor, a charity that supports  
young people to learn more about folk song, dance, arts and  
crafts and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds.

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