

Be Not Afraid

You shall cross the barren desert,
But you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety
Though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign lands
And all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live

Be not afraid I go before you always
Come follow me, and I will give you rest.

If you pass through raging waters,
in the sea you shall not drown.
If you walk amid the burning flames,
You shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the pow'r of hell
And death is at your side
Know that I am with you through it all.

Blessed are your poor
For the kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourn,
For one day you shall laugh.
And if wicked ones insult and hate you
All because of me

Final Prayers of Commendation

Response: "Receive his soul and present
him to God the most high."

Casket Bearers

Craig and Colleen Willis
Tania and Tony Phillip
Andrew and Keegan Willis
Patrick, Kevin and Peter Ford
Len and Michael Crofskey
Rob Henry and Andrew Creighton
Ivan Willis and Des Austin

An Irish Blessing

May the road rise to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm up on your face,
the rains fall soft upon your fields and,
until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand.

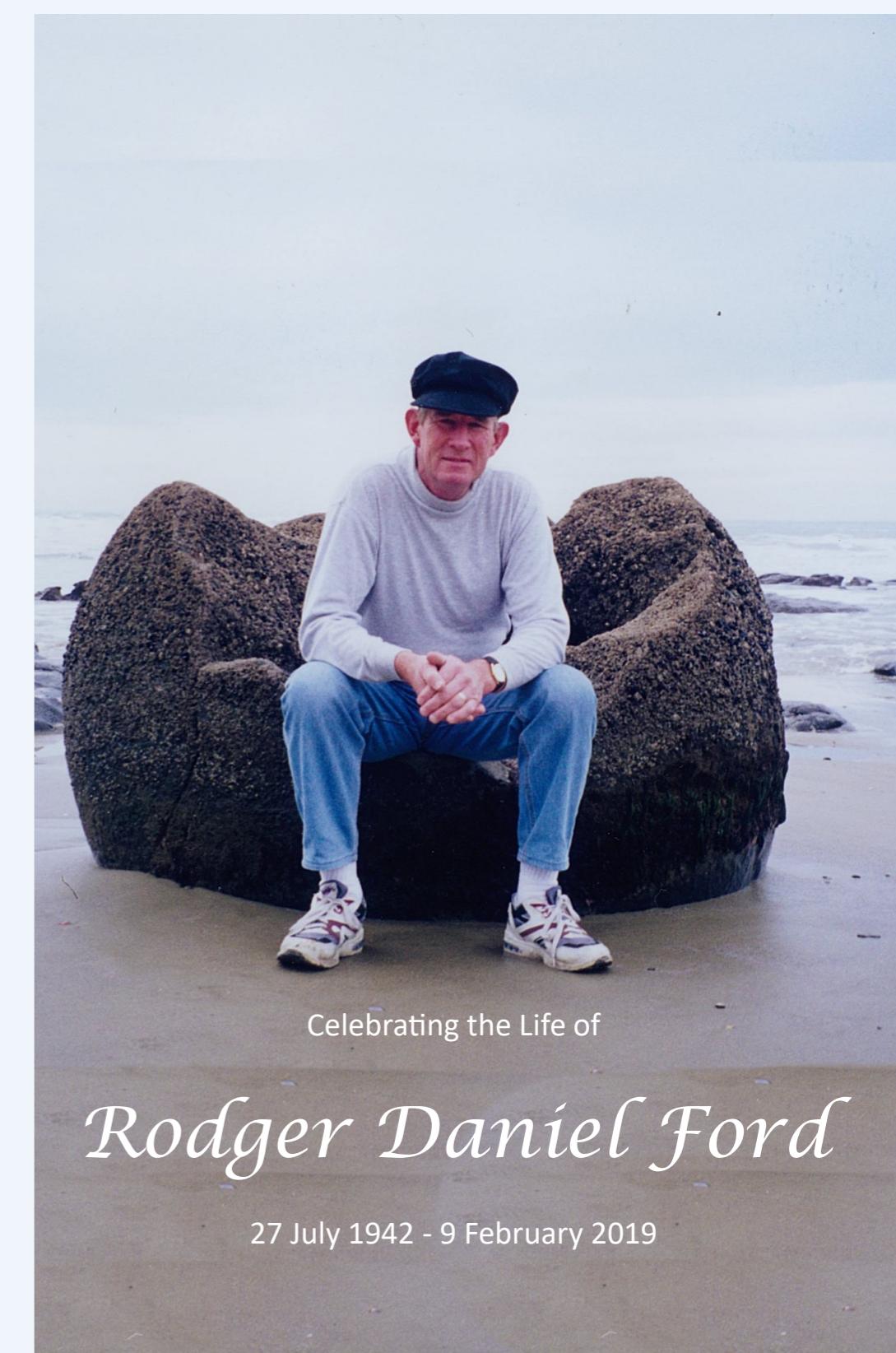
Miss Me - But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me
I want no rites in a gloom - filled room.
Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little - but not too long
And not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that we once shared,
Miss me - but let me go.

For this is a journey that we all must take
And each must go alone.
It's all a part of the Master's plan,
A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick of heart
Go to the friends we know
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds.
Miss Me - But Let me Go.



Celebrating the Life of

Rodger Daniel Ford

27 July 1942 - 9 February 2019

 **EAGARS**
FUNERALS

Celebrating Requiem Mass for

Rodger

at St Joseph's Church, New Plymouth
on Thursday 14 February 2019

Officiated by
Father Tom Lawn

Organist
Margaret Hurley

Welcome
Jim Hutchinson

Eulogy
Cath Moore
Kevin Ford
Craig Willis

Moira's Tribute
read by Andrew Creighton

Visual Journey
Albatross by Fleetwood Mac

Though The Mountains May Fall

*Though the mountains may fall and the hills
Turn to dust, yet the love of the Lord will stand
As a shelter for all who will call on his name.
Sing the praise and the glory of God.*

*Could the Lord ever leave you? Could the Lord forget His love?
Though a mother forsake her child, He will not abandon you.*

*Should you turn and forsake Him, He will gently call your name.
Should you wander away from Him, He will always take you back.*

*Go to Him when you're weary; He will give you eagle's wings.
You will run, never tire, for your God will be your strength.*

*As He swore to your Fathers, when the flood destroyed the land.
He will never forsake you; He will swear to you again.*

First Reading

Thessalonians 4:13-18
read by Diane Ford Campbell

The Lord Is My Shepherd

*The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow
Wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.
Over the mountains, the waters and byways,
Valleys and highways he's waiting for me.*

*I want to go to meet him there,
To lay myself down in his love.*

*The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow
Wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.
And while on the journey to where we are going
He promised to be there to help us along,
And over the mountains we'll walk on together,
To know all the wonders he's given to me.*

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12

Homily

Prayers of the Faithful

Joanne Crofskey, Andrew Creighton, Wendy Austin
Response: "Lord hear our prayer."

Gift Presenters

Anne Crofskey, Eloise Goude, Donna Edwards

Responses for the Congregation

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands,
for the praise and glory of His name,
for our good and the good of all His Holy Church.

Holy Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

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.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Holy Communion

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Eucharistic Ministers

Len Crofskey, Dorothea Henry, Mary Southee