



# The Garden of Remembrance



## ORDER OF SERVICE

OPENING MUSIC	Paul Spears	Friend of Hospice
WELCOME	Louise Brazier	Hospice Orillia
LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT	Whitney Vowels	Hospice Orillia
READINGS	Mayor McIsaac	City of Orillia
	Rev. Linda Patton-Cowie	St. Mark's Presbyterian Church
	Nicole Johnstone	Mundell Funeral Home
MUSIC	Annalise Stenekes	Bennett Rouge
	Frances Helyar	
READINGS	June Gunn	Hospice Orillia
	Theresa Morrison	Bridget's Bunnies

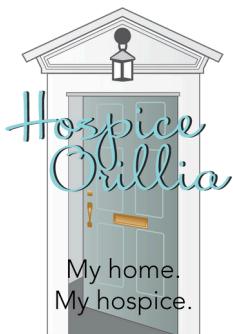
## *Memorial Names Read Aloud Bubble Ceremony & Planting of Flowers*

MUSIC	Annalise Stenekes	Bennett Rouge
	Frances Helyar	
READINGS	Maisy	Friend of Hospice
	Rosemary Peterson	The Lighthouse
CLOSING	Louise Brazier	Hospice Orillia

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## HOSPICE ORILLIA BEREAVEMENT SERVICES

Grief is a natural response to loss. It is the painful process of life change when someone you love is dying or has died. As you work to find new meaning in a world without the physical presence of your loved one, our bereavement services offer you assistance and support. Our programs offer a safe space for all individuals regardless of age, race, creed, disability, family and marital status, gender identity, gender expression, receipt of public assistance, record of offences, sex, or sexual orientation.

### **ANTICIPATORY GRIEF SUPPORT**

Though we think of grief as something that happens after a death, it often begins long before death occurs. Once death is on the horizon, even just as a possibility, it is natural that we begin to grieve. Anticipatory grief support offers assistance to individuals who are facing the impending loss of a loved one.

### **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**

Hospice Orillia offers an 8-week bereavement support group that provides an opportunity for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one to learn from, and share with others as they move through their own grief journey. Afternoon and Evening sessions run throughout the year.

### **COFFEE & CARE**

A weekly group that provides individuals who are dealing with the loss of a loved one with an opportunity to meet and share with others that are also grieving.

### **MEMORIAL EVENTS**

Our community memorial events take place four times a year providing an opportunity for clients and community members to honour the memory of loved ones who have died.

### **ONE-ON-ONE**

These custom sessions involve up to four (4) meetings with a trained bereavement support volunteer to explore grief on a personal, as well as, universal level. Volunteers are also available for community and home visits.

### **SPECIALIZED SUPPORTS**

Our team of dedicated volunteers provide additional support through our specialized support programs:

- equine therapy
- overdose related losses
- pregnancy and infant loss

### **TRANSITIONS**

For those who have completed our 8-week bereavement support group sessions, we offer a monthly group for further support and growth.

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Scan the QR code or visit <https://hospiceorillia.ca> or contact:

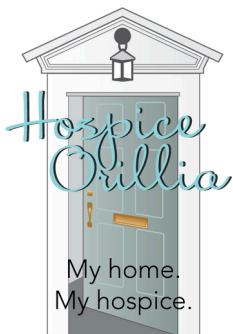
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## *Land Acknowledgement* with Whitney Vowels

As visitors on this land, we have an important responsibility to acknowledge the grounds on which we are privileged to gather and to honour the Indigenous Peoples who are the original stewards of these lands upon which we are all visitor each and every day.

Today we are gathered in the City of Orillia which is the traditional territory of the Anishinaabek Nation; specifically, the Chippewa Tri-Council comprised of the Chippewas of Beausoleil, Rama and Georgina Island First Nations and more recently the Mississaugas of the Credit River First Nation.

As I reflect upon the traditional territories I have been privileged to reside upon throughout my life I am reminded to show gratitude for this beautiful place I get to call home.

When I think of home I think of the things I love to do with my family such as walking and biking on trails near our house, which always reminds me of the healing power of nature. This is a home that I can safely walk hand in hand with my sons on, one that we ski upon in the winter and play upon in the summer. I'd like to give thanks to local First Peoples for welcoming us in their homelands to be able to do all of the things we love.

Acknowledgments are but one step forward towards standing up and standing with Indigenous Peoples; allowing us to begin to open the door for more understanding. Growing up, land acknowledgements and showing gratitude to Indigenous Peoples for welcoming us into their homelands was certainly not a part of my childhood, or school learnings or dinner conversations. Now, as a parent of two young children, I want to share my commitment to ongoing awareness and learning alongside my children. I want us to continue to learn together about not only the historical indigenous struggles and the reality of Indigenous Peoples' treatment but the struggles faced today as they continue to persist. The end result can only be a better and brighter future for everyone who call Indigenous lands home.



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## *Let Evening Come*

Author: Jane Kenyon

Recited by: Mayor McIsaac

Let the light of late afternoon  
shine through chinks in the barn, moving  
up the bales as the sun moves down.

Let the cricket take up chafing  
as a woman takes up her needles  
and her yarn. Let evening come.

Let dew collect on the hoe abandoned  
in long grass. Let the stars appear  
and the moon disclose her silver horn.

Let the fox go back to its sandy den.

Let the wind die down. Let the shed  
go black inside. Let evening come.

To the bottle in the ditch, to the scoop  
in the oats, to air in the lung  
let evening come.

Let it come, as it will, and don't  
be afraid. God does not leave us  
comfortless, so let evening come.



# *The Garden of Remembrance*



## *Love Live On*

Author: unknown

Recited by: Nicole Johnstone

Those we love remain with us  
for love itself lives on,  
and cherished memories never fade  
because a loved one's gone. . .

Those we love can never be  
more than a thought apart,  
For as long as there is memory,  
they'll live on in the heart.



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## *Remember Me*

Author: Unknown

Recited by: June Gunn

Don't remember me with sadness,  
Don't remember me with tears,  
Remember all the laughter,  
We've shared throughout the months.  
Now I am contended  
That my life it was worthwhile,  
Knowing that I passed along the way I made somebody smile  
When you are walking down the street  
And you've got me on your mind, I'm walking in your footsteps  
Only half a step behind.  
So please don't be unhappy  
Just because I'm out of sight  
Remember that I'm with you  
Each morning, noon and night.



# *The Garden of Remembrance*



## *Heaven's Rocking Chair*

Author: Ron Traanmer

Recited by: Theresa Morrison

Are there rocking chairs in Heaven  
where little babies go?  
Do the angels hold you closely  
and rock you to and fro?

Do they talk silly baby talk  
to get a smile or two,  
and sing the sleepy lullabies  
I used to sing to you?

My heart is aching for you,  
my angel child so dear.  
You brought such joy into my life,  
the short time you were here.

I know you're in a happy place,  
and in God's loving care.  
I dream each night I'm rocking you  
in Heaven's rocking chair.



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## *I Walk with You*

Author: unknown

Recited by: Maisy, friend of Hospice

I stood by your bed last night, I came to have a peep. I could see that you were crying, You found it hard to sleep.

I whined to you softly as you brushed away a tear, "It's me, I haven't left you, I'm well, I'm fine, I'm here." I was close to you at breakfast, I watched you pour the tea, You were thinking of the many times, your hands reached down to me.

I was with you at the shops today, Your arms were getting sore. I longed to take your parcels, I wish I could do more.

I was with you at my grave today, You tend it with such care. I want to reassure you, that I'm not lying there.

I walked with you towards the house, as you fumbled for your key. I gently put my paw on you, I smiled and said "it's me."

You looked so very tired, and sank into a chair. I tried so hard to let you know, that I was standing there.

It's possible for me, to be so near you everyday. To say to you with certainty, "I never went away."

You sat there very quietly, then smiled, I think you knew ... in the stillness of that evening, I was very close to you.

The day is over and I smile and watch you yawning and say "goodnight, bless you, I'll see you in the morning."

And when the time is right for you to cross the brief divide, I'll rush across to greet you and we'll stand, side by side.

I have so many things to show you, there is so much for you to see. Be patient, live your journey out, then come home to be with me.



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## *Walking with Grief - A Celtic Prayer*

Author: Unknown

Recited by: Rosemary Peterson

Do not hurry as you walk with grief  
It does not help the journey  
Walk slowly, pausing often  
Do not hurry as you walk with grief  
Be not disturbed by memories  
that come unbidden  
Swiftly forgive and let  
Unspoken words, unfinished conversations  
be resolved in your memories  
Be not disturbed  
Be gentle with the one who walks with grief  
If it is you, be gentle with yourself  
Swiftly forgive, walk slowly,  
Pause often,  
Take time  
Be gentle as you walk with grief



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## *In Loving Memory*

Alan Bruce MacRobie

Bob Savidant

Brad

Brad

Bridget Morrison

Chris Forrester

Christina Stevenson

Clifford Richards

Connie

Coos Uylenbroek

Corazon

Dan Coulson

David Hill Jr.

David LaPlante

Dennis Ball

Don Davidson

Duncan Robertson

Dylan Archibald

Elsie & David Hill

Ernie

Gerry Kirkby

Greg Millen

Gretchen Ludwig

Irene MacGregor

Jacob

Jacob Campbell



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## *In Loving Memory*

Jacqueline  
James Mark Croden  
John  
Joyce Stafford  
Judy  
Karla  
Lee  
Lena King  
Linda Dawn Spencer  
Lion Kingsbury  
Lois Fallis  
Maria da Silva  
Michelle Francoeur  
Mom and 3 brothers  
Peter LaPlante  
Peter Victor  
Roland Shields  
Sabrina  
Sean Unrau  
Sharon Gofton  
Shawn Richards  
Stephen Levasseur  
Steve Milley  
Terri  
Tommy Brittain  
Tyler Bertucci