



*In Loving Memory of*



*Valda's family thank you for your prayers, kind expressions of sympathy, your support and presence today.*

*Please join Val's family for the wake at Lismore City Bowls Club.*



**Valda Florence Morgan**  
**'Val'**

25th May 1929 - 11th December 2024

Lismore Memorial Gardens  
18th December 2024

# Order of Service

## Opening Song

Somewhere Over the Rainbow  
By Judy Garland

## Welcome & Words of Comfort

### Val's Story

Read By Chris

### Poem

The River  
Read By Annette

### Photo Tribute

Sunshine on My Shoulder By John Denver  
Morning Has Broken By Cat Stevens  
You Are My Sunshine By Anne Murray

**Reflection Song** By Ella & Josh

## Words of Committal & Farewell

### Closing Song

In the Arms of an Angel By Sarah McLachlan  
The Carnival is Over By The Seekers

## Writing a Tribute to Val

# A poem for mum - the River

When I close my eyes and think of you  
There's a river silent, deep and long  
An endless, timeless connection to you  
An immense thread that traverses time and space  
The River of our shared being-ness,  
and its flowing through my heart

From your womb I entered this earthly plane -  
This terrible, beautiful place  
To learn the lessons offered and bring love and light and grace  
We have walked on this side together for all of my seeded life  
But now for a time longer, I'm without your smiling face

Though the veil through which you have passed is  
imperceptibly fine  
I can no longer see you, or hold your hand in mine  
But I can close my eyes and dive into that river in my heart  
And there you are, as you always were -  
Your loving smile, your gentleness,  
And there, your kind, kind heart

You always thought you'd win lottery  
Without recognizing you'd won it all your life  
With the abundant wealth of love flowing  
Through you, from you, to you in all your earthbound days  
And your spirit shone and your heart sang and your smile  
never strayed

And so my dear, sweet mother  
Go gently into the light  
Take your well-earned rest on the higher planes  
And I'll hold you in my heart