



STATE FUNERAL SERVICE

*and thanksgiving
for the life of*

Lionel Charles (Charlie) Mance

*The Parish Church of St James
King Street, Sydney*

**THURSDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2001
11.30 AM**

~ORDER OF SERVICE~

Organ Preludes played by David Drury, Director of Music,
St James' Church, King Street, Sydney

*The congregation stands as the Procession of Choir and Clergy enters
the Church*

Hymn **The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green, he leadeth me
The quiet waters by.**

**My soul he doth restore again;
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for his own name's sake.**

**Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear none ill:
For thou art with me; and thy rod
And staff me comfort still.**

**My table thou hast furnished
In presence of my foes;
My head thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.**

**Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me:
And in God's house for evermore
My dwelling-place shall be.**

Words: *Scottish Psalter* 1650

Music: CRIMOND Melody by Jessie Seymour Irvine *arr.* David Grant

All sit

The Welcome The Reverend Peter Kurti, Rector,
St James' Church, King Street, Sydney

The Rector then says

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life.
Those who believe in me, even though they die,
will live." *John 11:25*

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but
may have eternal life. *John 3.16*

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the
life. No one comes to the Father except through me."
John 14.6

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying
heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke
upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble
in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke
is easy, and my burden is light." *Matt.11.28-30*

All Let us say together
Heavenly Father,
in your Son Jesus Christ
you have given us a true faith and a sure hope.
Help us to live as those who believe in the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
and the resurrection to eternal life;
through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Tributes

Bill Davison, Charlie's grandson-in-law
Ron – long-standing friend of Charlie

Hymn **Praise to the Holiest in the height,**
And in the depth be praise,
In all his words most wonderful,
Most sure in all his ways.

**O loving wisdom of our God!
When all was sin and shame,
A second Adam to the fight
And to the rescue came.**

**And in the garden secretly,
And on the cross on high,
Should teach his brethren, and inspire
To suffer and to die.**

**Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise,
In all his words most wonderful,
Most sure in all his ways.**

Words: John Henry Newman (1801-90)
Music: GERONTIUS J B Dykes (1823-76)

*The Reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians read by
The Reverend Susanne Pain, Associate Priest, St James' Church*

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in

part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

After a silence for reflection

Reader Here ends the reading.

Tributes

*Rebecca Davison and Melissa Mance
accompanied by Danielle and Tracey Mance
Charlie's great granddaughters*

Choral Reflection Thou knowest Lord – Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

"Thou knowest Lord the secrets of our hearts. Shut not thy merciful ears unto our prayers, but spare us Lord most holy, O God most mighty. O holy and most merciful saviour, thou most worthy judge eternal. Suffer us not at our last hour for any pain of death to fall from thee. Amen."

Tributes

*Mr G E "Rusty" Priest, AM
State President, Returned and Services League of
Australia, NSW Branch*

*Senator Sandy Macdonald,
representing the Prime Minister*

Hymn

**Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.**

**Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O thou who changest not, abide with me.**

I need thy presence every passing hour;
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies:
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows
flee;

In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!

Words: H F Lyte (1793-1847)

Music: EVENTIDE W H Monk (1823-89)

The Prayers led by The Reverend Susanne Pain

Let us pray with confidence to God our Father,
who raised Jesus Christ from the dead for the salvation
of all.

God our Father, we thank you that you have made each
of us in your own image, and given us gifts and talents
with which to serve you.

We thank you for Charlie,
 the years we shared with him,
 the good we saw in him,

Now give us strength and courage to leave him in your
care, confident in your promise of eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

God of grace and glory
we remember those who have gone before us,
 who have stood by us and helped us,
 who have cheered us by their sympathy
 and strengthened us by their example;

help us so to live, that in dying,
we may rejoice with them in the promise of a glorious
resurrection; through your Son our Redeemer. **Amen.**

God of all mercy, giver of all comfort:

look graciously, we pray, on those who mourn
especially Lionel, Val and members of the family.

Casting all their cares on you,
may they know the consolation of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gathering all our cares into one, let us pray as our Saviour
taught us:

All **Our Father in heaven,**
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial,
 and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.

Tribute

The Honourable Bob Carr, MP
Premier of New South Wales

All stand for

Hymn **Onward Christian soldiers,
marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
going on before.
Christ the royal Master
Leads against the foe;
Forward into battle,
See, his banners go!**

*Onward, Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the Cross of Jesus,
Going on before.*

**Crowns and thrones may perish,
Kingdoms rise and wane,
But the Church of Jesus
Constant will remain;
Gates of hell can never
'Gainst that Church prevail;
We have Christ's own promise,
And that cannot fail.**

Onward, Christian soldiers...

**Onward, then, ye people,
Join our happy throng,
Blend with ours your voices
In the triumph song;
Glory, laud, and honour
Unto Christ the King;
This through countless ages
Men and angels sing.**

Onward, Christian soldiers...

Words: S. Baring-Gould (1834-1924)

Music: ST GERTRUDE Arthur Sullivan (1842-1900)

The Commendation

Rector Let us entrust our brother Charlie to the mercy of God.

All **Heavenly Father,
by your mighty power you gave us life,
and in your love you have given us new life in Christ
Jesus.**

**We entrust Charlie to your merciful keeping:
in the faith of Jesus Christ, who died and rose again to
save us, and now lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit in glory for ever. Amen.**

Rector Go forth, dear brother on your journey from this world,
in the name of God the Father who created you;
in the name of Jesus Christ who suffered for you;
in the name of the Holy Spirit who strengthens you;
in communion with the blessed saints,
and aided by angels and archangels and all the heavenly
host.
May your portion this day be in peace,
and your dwelling in the heavenly Jerusalem.
Amen.

The Choir sings The Lord Bless You and Keep You John Rutter

"The Lord bless you and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon
you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance
upon you and give you peace. Amen."

The Committal

Rector Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
you have given us a sure and certain hope
of the resurrection to eternal life.
In your keeping are all who have departed in Christ.
We here commit the body of our dear brother Charlie
to be cremated, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who died, and was buried, and rose again for us,
and who shall change our mortal body that it may be

like his gracious body.
All **Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!**

The Blessing

Rector Go forth into the world in peace;
 be of good courage;
 hold fast that which is good;
 render to no one evil for evil;
 strengthen the faint hearted; support the weak;
 help the afflicted; honour all people;
 love and serve the Risen Lord,
 rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;
 and the blessing of God Almighty,
 the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
 be upon you, and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Rector Would you please join the family as we pay our last
 respects to Charlie Mance.

*The Procession of Clergy will lead the Bearer Party and Charlie's
medals carried by great grandson, Luke Davison, out of the Church*

Organ Postlude

Nimrod from 'Enigma' Variations – Edward Elgar
played by David Drury

The Principal mourners will follow the Procession out of the Church.

The Military Farewell

The Ode

Mr Priest:

They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old.

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We shall remember them.

Lest we forget.

All Lest we forget.

Rifle Volleys

Three Rifle Volleys are fired reminding us of our Christian Faith, one volley for the Father, one volley for the Son and one volley for the Holy Spirit.

The Funeral Cortège will then proceed north in Phillip Street toward Hunter Street and then to Rookwood Crematorium for a Service of Committal.

Following the Service of Committal, refreshments will be served at Merrylands RSL Club, 14 Military Road, Merrylands.
