Service held in
St Matthew's Anglican Church
Hastings
on Wednesday 17th September 2014 at 1.30pm
followed by private cremation

Officiating: Rev'd Helen Wilderspin

Organist: James Mist

The Last Farewell

Dear Friends I go, but do not weep, I've lived my life, so full, so deep, Throughout my life, I gave my best, I've earned my keep, I've earned my rest. I never tried to be great or grand, I tried to be a helping hand. If I helped in a team, If I helped on my own, I was more than repaid By good friends I have known. And if I went the extra mile I did it with pleasure, It was all worthwhile. If I brightened your path, Then let it be, A small contribution From my loved ones and me. But mostly I cherished the family I knew, In a bond never ending, So precious, so true. Now sadly I leave you, and travel alone, Through the mystic veil To the great unknown. With such beautiful memories That forever will be, The way that I hope You'll remember me.

Gathering Music

A selection of songs Minnie enjoyed

HOW GREAT THOU ART

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder Consider all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed,

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee; How Great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in; That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin;

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration;
And there proclaim, My God, how great Thou art!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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 them that trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Recessional Song
"I walk with God"

To Those Whom I Love and Those Who Love Me

By Mary Alice Ramish

When I am gone, release me, let me go -I have so many things to see and do. You must not tie yourself to me with tears, be happy that we had so many years. I gave you my love, you can only guess how much you gave me in happiness. I thank you for the love you each have shown, but now it is time I travelled on alone. So grieve awhile for me, if grieve you must then let your grief be comforted by trust. It is only for a while that we must part so bless the memories within your heart. I will not be far away, for life goes on so if you need me, call and I will come. Though you cannot see or touch me, I will be near, and if you listen with your heart, You will hear all of my love around you soft and clear. Then, when you must come this way alone, I will greet you with a smile and a "Welcome Home".

> Pallbearers: Minnie's family

Bill and Kathy, Thelma, Colin and their families wish to sincerely thank you all for being here today and warmly invite you to stay and share refreshments and fellowship with them in the Church hall at the conclusion of this service.

In memory of Minnie, memorial donations to the Hawkes Bay Cancer Society, P.O. Box 1014, Hastings 4156 would be appreciated and may be left in the Church foyer.

You are also invited to sign the tribute card in the church foyer to record your presence here today.

Tributes can be left on Minnie's tribute page at www.tributes.co.nz



