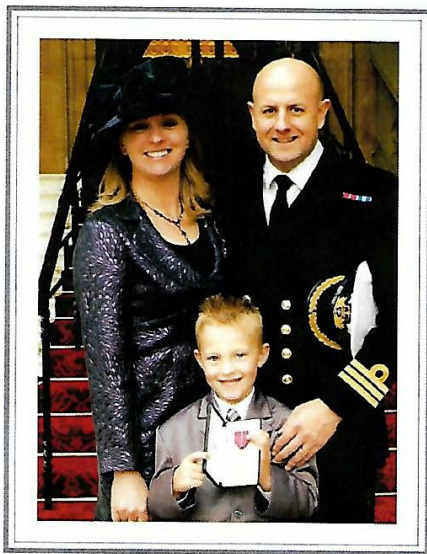


SOUTH LINCOLNSHIRE CREMATORIUM



“For Family’s Sake”

*In Loving Memory
of*

Commander David Shutts OBE Royal Navy

*Who died on
Thursday 24th May, 2018
Aged 53 years*



*Service on
Friday, 29th June 2018
at 11.30am*

Order Of Service

Opening Music

A Little Love and Understanding - by Gilbert Becaud

I'd not heard this song for years and then on the day we're driving to hospital after my diagnosis of brain cancer, we're discussing our funeral songs and on it comes.

I loved this song, no idea who in our house would have bought it but we had it and I loved it! Ridiculously cheesy music from the 60's but with a brilliant theme. "Why sit there thinking of the past....when you should make each moment last, it's not hard to do just try...."

"Out of sight is out of mind" Spot on, live for today and forget the rubbish of yesterday. Be positive and don't dwell on the negative, that achieves nothing.

It's also a measure of how crazy the theme is - a little love and understanding - this from a bloke with "FFS" in flowers on his coffin. I never show love and understanding, my response is always "Oh FFS, get on with it!"

Enjoy the music and laugh at the ridiculousness. I apologise if I've ever said anything that implies that I don't care, I do care, I'm just not great at showing it.

Welcome and Opening Words

The Tributes:

Steve Shutts - brother
Music - Who Wants To Live Forever - by Queen

Don't read too much into this. Jo christened my kidney lump, Trevor the Bastard and this song is perfectly misquoted to reflect the key theme on diagnosis of "Who wants to live with Trevor?"

SING IT LOUD AND LARGE and you'll smile like we did. After the confirmed diagnosis in May 2015 we had this on in the car, very loud, and we sang our hearts out.

Being slightly more serious, I've never wanted to live forever, I just wanted to make sure that however long I lived meant something. Better to be shorter and more relevant than long and pointless.

Ken Morrison - friend and Shipmate
Music - Comfortably Numb - by Pink Floyd

Allow me to wallow please in this song, it's from Pink Floyd's album, The Wall and whoever listens to it finds something in it for them.

What's in it for me? Easily the best lead guitar solo ever written. I'm talking about the second one so you have to listen for about 5 minutes first.

Turn it right up and sit back and let it flow over, just incredible. I do mean though, turn it right up!

I'd like to think that comfortably numb is also how I've probably been the last few days of my life. It hasn't been hard, I've been in

a steady torpor, home to nothing but my thoughts, hopefully not dominated at anytime by any type of monkey but instead on replaying the best bits of my 53 years.
There's been a lot, thanks to the people in my life.

Simon Short - friend

Reading

*The Man In The Arena - by Theodore Roosevelt
- read by Zachary*

The Committal

The Naval Prayer

O Eternal Lord God, who alone rulest the raging of the sea; who has compassed the waters with bounds until day and night come to an end; be pleased to receive into Thy almighty and most gracious protection the persons of us Thy servants, and the Fleet in which we serve.

*Preserve us from the dangers of the sea, and from the violence of the enemy; that we may be a safeguard unto our most gracious Sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth, and her Dominions, and a security for such as pass upon the seas upon their lawful occasions; that the inhabitants of our Commonwealth may in peace and quietness serve Thee our God; and that we may return in safety to enjoy the blessings of the land, with the fruits of our labours, and with a thankful remembrance of Thy mercies to praise and glorify Thy Holy Name.
Amen.*

Closing Words

Closing Music

Mr Blue Sky - by ELO

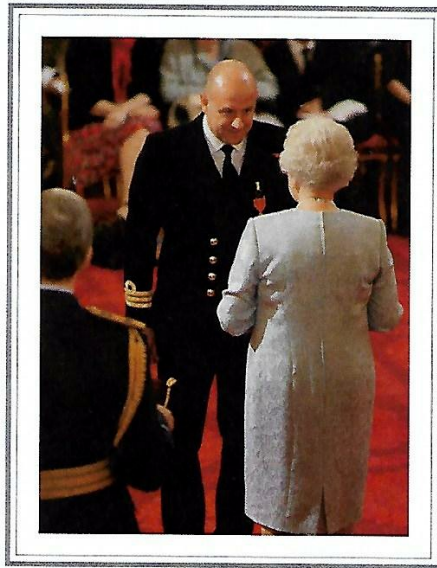
Final song, brilliantly upbeat as we look to the future. How can you not be tapping your hand, foot, whatever?

"Morning....sun is shining in the sky, there ain't a cloud in sight, it's stopped raining, everybody is in the play and don't you know, it's a beautiful day hey hey hey"

Look to the future people, make it special and live it for today.

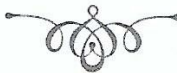
Of course Mr Night will come into focus but that's just the prelude to build on what you did today.

There are so many songs that I could have chosen but these are what I did so I hope you enjoyed them. What's your number one song?



*The family
would like you to know
how much they have appreciated
your presence with them today, and
for your kind thoughts.*

*You are invited to join
the family for refreshments at
Leverton Leisure Centre,
Main Road, Leverton PE22 0AU
following the Service.*



*Any donations in lieu of Flowers will be given to
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