

Celebration of Life May 5, 2013

George E.P. Box — Pel

October 18, 1919 – March 28, 2013



“So don't be frightened, dear friend, if a sadness confronts you larger than any you have ever known, casting its shadow over all you do. You must think that something is happening within you, and remember that life has not forgotten you; it holds you in its hand and will not let you fall. Why would you want to exclude from your life any uneasiness, any pain, any depression, since you don't know what work they are accomplishing within you?”

Rainer Maria Rilke

## Celebration of Life

Prelude: "Prelude No. 2 in C sharp minor" George Gershwin

Linda Warren, harp

Welcome & Opening Words

Michael A. Schuler, Parish Minister

Opening Reading: from "The Prophet" by Kahlil Gibran

Lighting of the Chalice (Harry Box and Family)

Please read in unison:

In this time of grief, we light this flame of sharing, symbol of ongoing life.

In this time when we search for consolation and serenity in the face of loss,

We kindle this light as a sign of our hopeful quest for redeeming wisdom and healing love.

Song: "Summertime" George Gershwin

Tamara Brognano, soprano

Tributes:

Brian Yandell (Chair of the Statistics Department)

Conrad Fung (friend, former student and colleague)

Song: "Experiment" Cole Porter

Meditative Moments

Michael Schuler

Lighting of Memory Candles (by family)

Tributes:

Sue Ellen Bisgaard (friend and widow of Soren Bisgaard, a dear friend and colleague)

Harry Box (son)

Claire Box and Issac and Andy Murtha (grandsons)

Song: "Our Love Is Here to Stay" George Gershwin

Benediction: "Blessing" by John O'Donohue

Postlude: Prelude No. 1 in B flat major George Gershwin

Dan Broner, piano

Please join us in the Commons for fellowship, sharing of stories  
and a toast to George's memory.

Gravesend, Kent, England



At times our own light goes out and is rekindled by a spark from another person. Each of us has cause to think with deep gratitude of those who have lighted the flame within us." Albert Schweitzer



Gratitudes to:

- all who are here today
- ushers and greeters who are members of our Quest 1 Integration Group: Pamela Johnson, Roy Rasmus, Kim Stege, Janet Stoneciper, Harry Carnes, Kate Ihus and Jackie Groves (Kate and Jackie are with us in spirit)
- Nutshell Catering
- FUS, Michael Shuler, Dan Broner, Linda Warren and Tamara Brognano
- Brent Nicastro, photographer and friend who took my absolutely favorite picture of Pel, Janet Swanson for photo of the chalice and Pilot leaving Terrace Pier, Gravesend, original by Anthony Blackman
- Farley Center for Peace, Justice and Sustainability where George is buried in The Natural Path Sanctuary

Memorial Gifts In George's name may be made to:

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