A Service of Praise and Thanksgiving

For the life of

Douglas Eric Bull

April 3, 1948 - February 18, 2024



Yorkminster Park Baptist Church
Toronto, Ontario

Thursday, February 29, 2024, 11 a.m.

Presiding Clergy
The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
The Rev. Paula Willis

Organist
William Maddox
BMus, FTCL, FCAM

Order of Service

*All who are able are invited to stand

A single bell will toll for fifteen minutes.

Preludes - Elegy *George Thalben Ball*

Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier, BWV 731 *Johann Sebastian Bach*

***Opening Sentences** **The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**

***Hymn 9** - When morning gilds the skies (omit 4 & 5) *Laudes Domini*

Invocation

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who 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 those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Anthem - Give us the wings of faith *Ernest Bullock*

Give us the wings of faith to rise within the veil, and see the Saints above, how great their joys, how bright their glories be. We asked them whence their victory came; they, with one united breath ascribe the conquest to the Lamb, their triumph to His death. They mark'd the footsteps that He trod, His zeal inspired their breast; and following their incarnate God, they reached the promised rest.

Holy Scripture

Isaiah 40:28-31

Psalm 23 (unison)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod

and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Philippians 4: 4-13

John 14 (selected verses)

Solo - Jesus the very thought of Thee *Eric Thiman*

Stephen King, baritone

Prayer of Thanksgiving **The Rev. Paula Willis**

***Hymn 664** - How sweet the name of Jesus sounds *St. Peter*

Homily **The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**

***Hymn 24** - The day Thou gavest *St. Clement*

***Benediction**

***Amen** - Palmer in E

Choir Recessional - Nunc Dimittis with Antiphon
Mode III.4 chant: *C.M. Palmer*

Save us, O Lord while waking, and guard us while sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace. Lord, now lettest thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word. For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation which thou hast prepared before the face of all people. To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of Thy people Israel. Gloria.

Carillon - On Eagle's Wings **Naoko Tsujita**
Amazing Grace
It Is Well with My Soul

A reception will be held in Cameron Hall
immediately following the service.

Interment will take place at the family grave in Hespler, Ontario

Today's service can be found online at
https://www.yorkminsterpark.com/memorial/DougBull/

Pallbearers

Douglas Bull	Jeremy Bull
Andrew Bull	Matthew Moncrieff
Paul Hill	Stephen King

DOUGLAS ERIC BULL passed away peacefully on Sunday, February 18, 2024, at Sunnybrook Health Sciences, Toronto, in his 76th year. He was the dearly beloved husband of Patricia Bull (nee Lachine), loving son of the late Carl and Myrtle Bull, and cherished brother of Victor (Charlotte). Uncle to Douglas (Candice), Jeremy, Matthew Moncrieff (Louise), and Neil Moncrieff and great-uncle to Rachel, Austin, Andrew, Ari, Connor, Truman and Farley. Dear brother-in-law of Michael Lachine and Debbie Lachine.

Born in Toronto in 1948, Douglas embarked on a journey marked by his dedication to education and music. He attended York University, where he pursued a Psychology degree, later obtaining his teaching degree and Master of Education. A lifelong learner, Douglas furthered his education in Special Education and earned his Principal qualification.

Douglas' impact on the lives of others spanned over three decades as a much-loved primary school teacher at McCowan Road Public School, Toronto.

Beyond the classroom, Douglas found solace and joy in music and faith. He was a lifelong member of Yorkminster Park Baptist Church, where his dedication to choral music was evident as choir president and tenor. His deep-rooted love for church and choral music defined his commitment to the choir and the spiritual community he held dear. Douglas' lifelong association with Yorkminster Park Baptist Church extended beyond music, as he served a term on the Board of Deacons. His commitment left an indelible mark on the church community he loved.

An avid gardener and curler, Douglas embraced life's simple pleasures with enthusiasm. His evenings were often filled with the tranquil melodies of hymns played on the piano—a cherished tradition instilled by his grandmother.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Yorkminster Park Baptist Church, 1585 Yonge Street, Toronto, Ontario, M4T 1Z9, or the charity of your choice.

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.