Memorial Service

for Wesley B. Smith

November 26, 1933

February 5, 2004



Unitarian Society of Ridgewood February 28, 2004 at 11 AM



Prelude

J.S. Bach: Prelude in B-flat major

Elizabeth Martyn, piano

Franz Schubert: Litanei

Melissa Kelly, soprano Joshua Greene, piano

Ruhn in Frieden alle Seelen, Die vollbracht ein banges Quälen, Die vollendet süssen Traum, Lebenssatt, geboren kaum, Aus der Welt hinüberschieden: Alle Seelen ruhn in Frieden!

Rest in peace, all souls who, anxious torment done, and sweet dreams ended, weary of life, scarcely born, are departed from this world: all souls rest in peace!

Welcome and Opening Words

Sarah Lammert. *minister*

Reading

Elisabeth Mannschott, wife

With you a part of me hath passed away;
For in the peopled forest of my mind
A tree made leafless by this wintry wind
Shall never don again its green array.
Chapel and fireside, country road and bay,
Have something of their friendliness resigned;
Another, if I would, I could not find,
And I am grown much older in a day.
But yet I treasure in my memory
Your gift of charity, and young heart's ease,
And the dear honour of your amity;
For these once mine, my life is rich with these.
And I scarce know which part may greater be,
What I keep of you, or you rob from me.

- George Santayana

Music

Melissa Kelly, soprano Joshua Greene, piano

Franz Schubert: Wanderes Nachtlied (Wanderer's Nightsong)

Über allen Gipfeln Ist Ruh, In allen Wipfeln Spürest du Kaum einen Hauch; Die Vöglein schweigen im Walde. Warte nur, balde Ruhest du auch.

Over every summit is peace, in every tree-top you feel scarce a breath; the birds in the wood are hushed. Only wait, soon you too will be at peace.

Reflections by FamilyBenjamin Smith-Mannschott, son
Katrina Smith-Mannschott, daughter
Karen McIntyre and Susan O'Brien, nieces

Hymn All Present

#6: Just as Long as I Have Breath

Reading Sarah Lammert, minister

Do not stand at my grave and weep, I am not there, I do not sleep.

I am a thousand winds that blow, I am the diamond glint on snow, I am the sunlight on ripened grain, I am the gentle autumn rain.

When you wake in the morning hush, I am the swift, uplifting rush of quiet birds in circling flight. I am the stars that shine at night.

Do not stand at my grave and cry, I am not there, I did not die! - Mary Elizabeth Frye

Reflections by Friends
Robert Stillwell, president, Boiling Springs Bank
Victor DeLucia, former law partner

Music Cynthia Volkert (niece), violin Elizabeth Martyn, piano

Bela Bartok: Rumanian Dances

Reflections An Invitation to come forward and share a brief memory

Hymn All Present

#55 : Dark of Winter

Closing Words Sarah Lammert, minister

Postlude Artie Bressler, saxophone