Honour a life

an evening of remembrance

VanDusen
BOTANICAL GARDEN

Candlelight Memorial Service

For Our Loved Ones

Tuesday, December 2, 2025
at VanDusen Botanical Garden

Followed by Light Refreshments

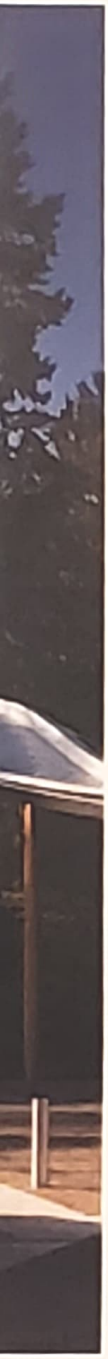
Christmas Memorial Service

Death is nothing at all,
I have only slipped into the next room
I am I and you are you
Whatever we were to each other, that we are still.
Call me by my old familiar name,
Speak to me in the easy way which you always used
Put no difference in your tone,
Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow
Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes we enjoyed together.
Play, smile, think of me, pray for me.
Let my name be ever the household world that it always was,
Let it be spoken without effect, without the trace of shadow on it.
Life means all that it ever meant.
It the same as it ever was, there is unbroken continuity.
Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight?
I am waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near,
Just around the corner.
All is well.

I will Light Candles this Christmas

by Howard Thurman

I will light Candles this Christmas;
Candles of joy despite all sadness,
Candles of hope where despair keeps watch,
Candles of courage for fears ever present,
Candles of peace for tempest-tossed days,
Candles of grace to ease heavy burdens,
Candles of love to inspire all my living,
Candles that will burn all the year long.



Welcome

Prelude ..... *Musical Reflection*
Linda Smith

Welcome and Greetings ..... Ryan Crean

Introduction..... Rev. Wendy Yacboski

Reading "Love will never Go away"... Jeannette Fong &
Joanna Jackson Farley

Words of Comfort Reflection..... Rev. Wendy Yacboski

Musical Reflection..... Linda Smith

Candle Lighting..... Kearney Team &
Burnaby Hospice Society

Introduction to the
Slide Show of Memories..... Kristen Wesley

Musical Reflection..... Linda Smith

Closing Remarks..... Andrea Richmond
Aaron Morrison

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a litany of remembering & hope

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Your memorial ornaments will be removed from the Tree of Remembrance and taken to **Mountain View Cemetery** where they will be planted in the Spring on BC Bereavement Day in the Honour a Life Garden to bloom as a living memorial for all who visit.

For more information about Bereavement Day, please contact **the BC Bereavement Helpline at 604-738-9950**

Thank You

Rev. Wendy Yacboski

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