



AN INVITATION

The family thank you for your love, support and presence here today. At the conclusion of the service, you are warmly invited to join them for refreshments in the St Johns lounge.

Siburns

A SERVICE TO CELEBRATE AND
GIVE THANKS FOR THE LIFE OF

Ross



Ross Grahame Coltman

26 MARCH 1940 - 26 NOVEMBER 2025

ALL SAINTS CHAPEL, PUREWA

MONDAY, 1 DECEMBER 2025

AT 2.00PM

Celebrant: Dianne Troup

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME & OPENING WORDS

FAMILY TRIBUTE

FRIEND TRIBUTE

POEM

MEMORIES IN PHOTOS

WORDS OF FAREWELL

SOME THINGS TO PLACE IN A COFFIN

*With acknowledgement to the great NZ poet
Bill Manhire, modified for Ross*

Hardboard & canvas, some leadhead nails.

A blowtorch, a spray-gun, a ladder.

A glass of pinot noir.

A boat with a motor, a boat with sails, a boat with oars.

France & Spain.

Some Lorca, some lacquer.

A fishing rod, a hammer.

The dog Dudley.

Timber & bricks. A motorised trike.

Some rope, some sky, some ocean.

The Stations of the Cross.

A coil of number 8 wire.

A slowness. A suddenness. A concentrating grunt.

Down by the River on the ukelele

Smoke & flags & banners.

The far north. The deep south.

A home-made home.

Harbour Cone.

The bishop, the knight, the rook.

A black Union Jack.

A circle, a line, a cross.

Some words & numbers.

Some corrugations.

Nailed down with iron against the rain.

Nailed down with rain.

With daisies.

With weather.

With gold.

With an old window-frame.