



To live in this world

you must be able
to do three things:
to love what is mortal;
to hold it

against your bones knowing
your own life depends on it;
and, when the time comes to let it go,
to let it go.

- Mary Oliver

Scan For Online Tribute




MCCARTNEY FAMILY FUNERALS
155 Bay Terrace, Wynnum QLD 4178
1300 043 522 | mccartneyfunerals.com.au

In Loving Memory

Anne Marsden Gerard

13th February 1945 - 12th January 2025



West Chapel at the

Mount Thompson Memorial Gardens,

3:00pm Friday 24th January 2025

Order of Service



Taking Care

Callista Buchen

I sit with my grief. I mother it. I hold its small, hot hand. I don't say, shhh. I don't say, it is okay. I wait until it is done having feelings. Then we stand and we go wash the dishes. We crack open bedroom doors, step over the creaks, and kiss the children. We are sore from this grief, like we've returned from a run, like we are training for a marathon. I'm with you all the way, says my grief, whispering, and then we splash our face with water and stretch, one big shadow and one small.

Officiated by Celebrant Pamela McDonald

Opening Music

The Swan – Camille Saint-Saëns
Played by Yo-Yo Ma and Kathryn Stott

Welcome and Words of Comfort

Family Remembrances

Geoff Betts
Amy & Hugo Gerard

Anne's Life in Pictures

Amo Soltano Te (feat. Ed Sheeran) By Andrea Bocelli

Closing Words

Recessional Music

The Next Right Thing
(Instrumental by Kristen Anderson-Lopez and Robert Lopez)

