



Eli Westlake

R.I.P

22/07/86 ~ 07/06/08

# *A Celebration of Eli's Incredible Life*

to be held at -  
St Albans School of Arts Hall  
Upper Macdonald Rd.  
St Albans

Friday 13th June 2008

Commencing at 1.00 pm

*I blossomed in a place  
Where time ticks at a different pace  
Helped us pave our way & saved our grace  
The sands of time by the river we once played  
We all moved away  
Shoulda stayed  
Had it made!*

*(Eli Westlake, May 2008)*



*In a land that still exists without buildings  
A place where we all felt safe as children  
And I wonder if the whole world will discover  
The place where I grew up with my little brother*

*(Joel Westlake, May 2008)*

# **Order of events**

## **Introduction**

Beverly Kable (Celebrant)

## **Welcome**

Nigel Westlake (Father)

## **Albinoni Adagio for Strings & Organ**

Arranged for String Quartet

Performed by the Goldner String Quartet

Dene Olding ~ violin

Dimity Hall ~ violin

Yvette Goodchild ~ viola

Julian Smiles ~ Cello

## **Address**

Don Westlake (Grandfather)

Tom Knight (Best Mate)

Glenys Rowe (close family friend & surrogate aunt)

# If I die

(written & read by Lisa Westlake – cousin)

*Do not stand by my grave and cry  
If I die  
For I am not there  
I am the sunlight on your cheek  
The soft breeze in your hair*

*I am the wind in the sail  
I'm the tune in your ear  
You'll feel me, you'll sense me  
And when it's quiet you'll hear.*

*You will miss me, and I you  
I know it's not right  
But if you look through the darkness  
What you'll find is the light*

*A life blessed with love  
One could not ask for more  
Love, support and affection  
From all those I adore*

*Dear family and friends  
It was too short, we all know  
But your smiles and your laughter  
I take with me as I go*

*Know in your hearts  
That it's OK to cry  
Know too that your love  
Makes it a little easier to say bye*

*Do not stand by my grave and cry  
If I die  
For I am not there  
I am floating, I'm free  
..... and I haven't a care*

# **Himalayan Singing Bowl Dedication**

Performed by Michael Askill

## **Address**

Kate Westlake (Aunt)  
Kristin Westlake (Aunt)

## **“Will You Miss Me When I’m Gone?”**

Lyrics by Joel, Matt, Toby, Stew, Jessie & Thai.  
Produced by Joel & Duncan

## **Eulogy**

Jan Westlake (Mother)

DVD Presentation

## **“Eli’s Really Embarrassing 21st Birthday Reel”**

compiled by Nigel Westlake

## **String Quartet No. II (3rd Mvt.)**

by Nigel Westlake

Performed by the Goldner String Quartet

~ Segue ~

# **Didgeridoo dedication**

Performed by David Hudson

~ Segue ~

## **Funeral procession to St Albans Cemetery**

Written & lead by Graeme Leak

### **Percussion Ensemble**

Graeme Leak

Michael Askill

Rebecca Lagos

Peter Jacob

## **Traditional Smoking Ceremony**

performed by Mathew Priestley

## **Closing Address at graveside**

Beverly Kable

## **The Closing of the grave**

Lead by Jan Westlake, Joel Westlake & close friends of Eli

*Our dear friends & family are warmly invited to a wake for Eli following the completion of the ceremony - to be held at the St Albans School of Arts Hall.*



*To our precious son & brother  
Continue on your journey with all our love  
We are eternally grateful for your presence on this earth  
You will live on in our hearts for evermore*



*The birth of Eli - 22/7/1986*

*Our sincere thanks to the dear friends & family members who have so generously given of their precious time & resources in the preparation of this event.  
We couldn't have done it without you.  
Far too many names to include here.....you know who you are!*