

MUM  
DID YOU KNOW....  
I MISS YOU  
WHEN EVER WE'RE APART

EVERY MOMENT  
I SPEND WITH YOU  
REMINDS ME OF MY START

ALL THE TIMES  
YOU HUGGED ME  
I KNOW I AM A PART

OF SUCH  
A BEAUTIFUL LADY  
FOREVER IN MY HEART

I LOVE YOU  
PAUL

GEE & HICKTON, KINGSWOOD  
FUNERAL HOME, UPPER HUTT  
SERVICE AT 2PM, FOLLOWED BY  
PRIVATE CREMATION

IN LOVING MEMORY



PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE LIFE OF

*HELEN*  
*OLIVE FRENCH*

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*ME AND BOBBY MCGEE BY CHARLEY PRIDE*

Busted flat in Baton Rouge headin' for the train  
Feelin' nearly faded as my jeans  
Bobby thumbed a diesel down just before it rained  
Took us all the way to New Orleans

I took my harpoon out of my dirty red bandana  
And was blowing sad while Bobby sang the blues  
With them windshield wipers slappin' time and Bobby clappin' hands  
We finally sang up ever song that driver knew

Freedom's just another word for nothin' left to lose  
Nothin' ain't worth nothin', but it's free  
Ah, but feelin' good was easy, Lord, when Bobby sang the blues  
And feelin' good was good enough for me  
Good enough for me and Bobby McGee

From the coal mines of Kentucky to the California sun  
Bobby shared the secrets of my soul  
Standin' right beside me, Lord, through everything I done  
And every night she kept me from the cold

Then somewhere near Salinas, Lord, I let her slip away  
Lookin' for the home I hope she'll find  
And I'll trade all my tomorrows for a single yesterday  
Holdin' Bobby's body next to mine

Freedom's just another word for nothin' left to lose  
And nothin' left is all she left for me  
Ah, but feelin' good was easy, Lord, when Bobby sang the blues  
And buddy, that was good enough for me  
Good enough for me and Bobby McGee

La da da di da da  
La da da di  
La da da da, me and Bobby McGee  
La da da di da da da  
La da da di



Celebrant ~ Greg Taylor

Pallbearers ~ Paul French, Murray Taylor,  
Hamish Eyles, Thomas Eyles.

*Order Of Service*

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

*ME AND BOBBY MCGEE BY CHARLEY PRIDE*

EULOGY ~ WENDY EYLES

READING ~ POEM, PAUL FRENCH

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COMMITTAL

RECESSIONAL MUSIC ~  
*GREEN, GREEN GRASS OF HOME BY ELVIS PRESLEY*

Helens family wish to sincerely thank you for  
being here today and warmly invite you to share  
refreshments and fellowship in the lounge  
adjoining.

You're also invited to sign the tribute card  
in the foyer to record your  
presence here today.

