

## **The Legacy of Life**

### **A Tribute To Mum & Dad**

Little did they know that when Jim and Lucy got together all those years ago that they would put in place a dynasty that would expand into something they could never have dreamed of.

From the creation of that marriage they would produce their offspring who in turn would get married and produce their own offspring and that lifecycle would continue into almost 100 individuals who have come from the legacy of Jim & Lucy Doran.

By giving that gift they have allowed everyone of us to enjoy a life that is full of memories and for the younger members of that dynasty prepare themselves to create their own memories that they in turn will pass on to future generations.

It is said that life is measured by the positive impact that we have on those around us and that we are remembered for the way we conduct ourselves and influence the ones we love in a constructive and meaningful way.

The lessons that we as a family have learnt from Jim & Lucy is that we can all be better people if we so choose that we can carry their morals and values forward and show our own sons and daughters how we can make a positive impact on everything around us. How to show love and give that love; how we can encourage and support them with all their endeavours. We all have the capacity to learn new ways of doing things; to look outside of our own lives and influence those around us as to the values of being a more humanistic individual who does not just speak of what could be but take an active role in making it all come together.

Every member of the Doran family has inherited the legacy left by Jim & Lucy – from the sons and daughters, daughter-in-laws, son-in-laws, cousins, grandchildren, great grandchildren and generations that will follow.

All of the friends and families that are here paying their respects today have all been touched by the relationships they had with both of our parents. Many of their family and friends are already looking down on us from the spiritual world but even so their own legacy lives on through the creations that they made.

As a family we would like to thank all of you who witnessed the life that Jim & Lucy had on this earth and the legacy of the children that they produced. All of our wives and husbands, the many many grandchildren and great grandchildren who are part of that legacy, all of the relations connected to us and the friends that came from our being given that gift of life and the certainty of future generations that will follow through eternity.

To our dear Mum and Dad – you have by your love created a legacy that will continue forever and we will all try to follow the example that you set by passing on to future generations the morals and values, the support and guidance, the true meaning of family commitment and everything that you stood for to make this family what it is today.

As John Lennon and Paul McCartney stated in their final recording:

**And in the end – the love you take – is equal to the love you make.**

**Rest in peace Dad and take our love with you.**