Nearer My God To Thee

1. Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer to thee!
E'en though it be a cross
That raiseth me.
Still all my song shall be
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer to thee.

2. Though like the wanderer,
The sun gone down,
Darkness be over me,
My rest a stone,
Yet in my dreams I'd be
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer to thee!

3. There let the way appear,
Steps unto heav'n;
All that thou sendest me,
In mercy giv'n;
Angels to beckon me
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer to thee!

4. Then with my waking thoughts
Bright with thy praise,
Out of my stony griefs
Bethel I'll raise;
So by my woes to be
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer to thee!

5. Or if, on joyful wing
Cleaving the sky,
Sun, moon, and stars forgot,
Upward I fly,
Still all my song shall be
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer to thee!

Text: Sarah F. Adams, 1805–1848 Music: Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

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Welcome	Delores Derksen, Director of Care, FGCC
Devotional	Bruce Enns, Lead Pastor, FGCC
Eulogy	Peter Block, brother of Mary
Tributes	Karen Block, Niece
	Delores Derksen
Hymn	"Nearer My God To Thee"
Closing Prayer	Delores Derksen

Graveside Service

Sing First Verse Of "Nearer My God To Thee"
Recite The Lord's Prayer Together

Our Father, Who art in heaven,
Hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever and ever.
Amen

Pallbearers: Neil Block (nephew), Milton Block (nephew), Ron Rinas (nephew), Nicholas Wiens (great-nephew-in-law), Daniel Chen (friend) & Eugene Pastushenko (friend).

Honorary Pallbearers: Ben Potter (stepson-in-law), David John Block (nephew), David Carl Block (nephew), Leo Brassard (nephew-in-law), Keith Harder (nephew) & Harry Dyck (nephew).

Interment: Woodlawn Cemetery

Memorial Donations: InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, Multiply (MB Mission) or Wycliffe Bible Translators.

Life Story

Mary Cornelia Griffiths (nee Block) passed away to be with her Lord the morning of January 31st in the Villa of Bethany Manor in Saskatoon.

Mary was born to John and Cornelia Block in No. 9 Village, Orenberg, Russia on January 10th, 1918. The family came to Canada in 1926 to escape the chaos in Russia due to the Communist Revolution. Mary grew up in Manitoba and Hepburn, SK. She finally completed her high school at age 27 and went on to teach in many one room country schools in Saskatchewan and Alberta. She returned to the University of Saskatchewan to get a Bachelors degree in Home Economics and went on to teach in the Abbotsford Senior High School until she retired.

Mary was a woman of deep faith and was always active in the church where she lived. Her faith found expression in her serving for two years in Okinawa and a summer in Northern Manitoba with MCC. She also taught many home Bible studies.

Mary met Jack Griffiths and a courtship began as they were both looking to purchase a car. They were married in 1990. It was a truly delightful marriage with a lot of laughter and joy.

Mary was predeceased by her husband William John (Jack) Griffiths and her parents John and Cornelia Block, as well as siblings Cornelia (Nelly) Rinas, Margaret Dyck Gerlach, David Block, John Block, Abram Block, Jacob Block and Anne Harder. She was also predeceased by in-laws: Ed Rinas , Anton Dyck, Herb Gerlach, Arley Harder, Edward Loewen, Christina Block, Natalie Block, Helen Block.

She is survived by two brothers and a sister: Henry and (Susan) Block, Katrina (Tina) Loewen and Peter and (Arlene) Block, as well as, sisters-in-law: Mary Harder and Agnes Block. She is also survived by step-children Irene (Ben) Potter, David (Leah) Griffiths as well as many nieces and nephews.