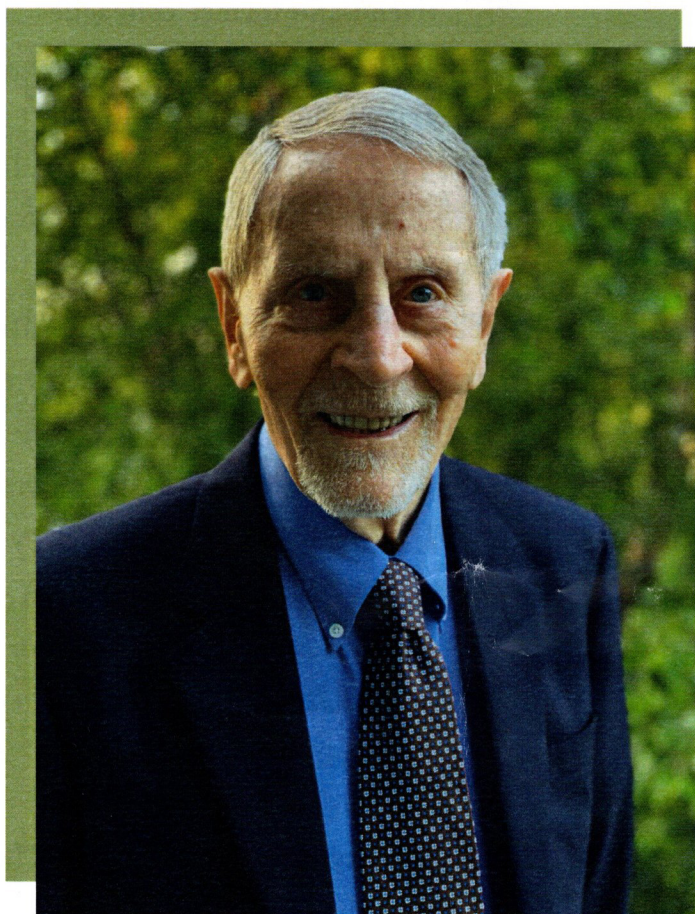


Celebrating the life of

Ted Brown



1928-2026



Program

Every Morning by Keb Mo

Welcome and Remarks

by Marty Kane, grandson

Get Together by The Youngbloods

The Summer Day by Mary Oliver

read by Karen Kane, daughter

Remarks by Harry Gaines

friend and former colleague

Remarks by Jeff Moore

friend and former colleague

Secret Of Life by James Taylor

Anna Ayres-Brown, granddaughter

Litany by Billy Collins

read by Jennifer Brown, daughter

Remarks by Mary Coffield, daughter

Remarks about Audrey

by Audrey Ann Soria, granddaughter

Wildflowers by Tom Petty

Eagle Poem by Joy Harjo

read by Mary Coffield, daughter

Blue Boat Home by Peter Mayer

Closing Remarks

by Marty Kane, grandson

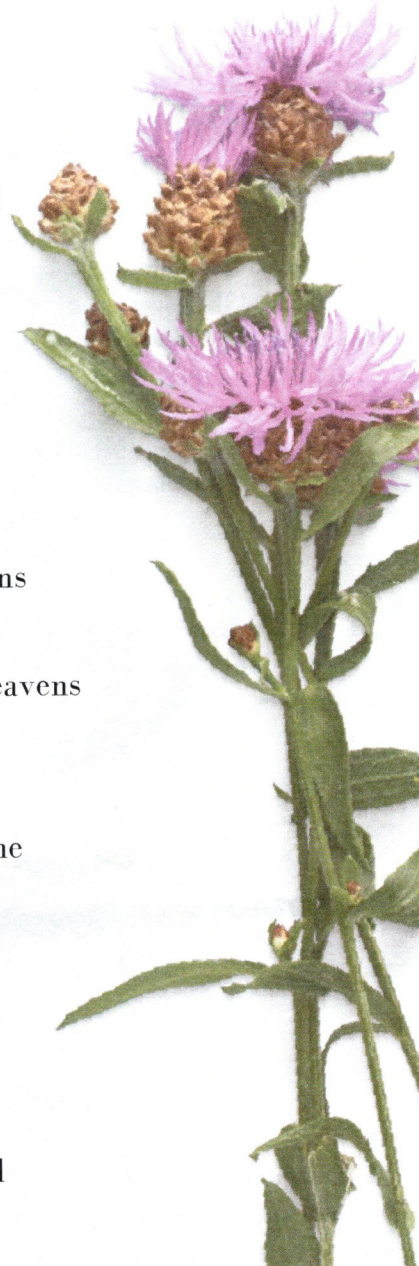
Here Comes the Sun by The Beatles

Blue Boat Home

Though below me, I feel no motion
Standing on these mountains and plains
Far away from the rolling ocean
Still my dry land heart can say
I've been sailing all my life now
Never harbor or port have I known
The wide universe is the ocean I travel
And the earth is my blue boat home

Sun, my sail, and moon my rudder
As I ply the starry sea
Leaning over the edge in wonder
Casting questions into the deep
Drifting here with my ship's companions
All we kindred pilgrim souls
Making our way by the lights of the heavens
In our beautiful blue boat home

I give thanks to the waves upholding me
Hail the great winds urging me on
Greet the infinite sea before me
Sing the sky my sailor's song
I was born upon the fathoms
Never harbor or port have I known
The wide universe is the ocean I travel
And the earth is my blue boat home



Song Selections

***Every Morning* by Keb Mo**

Dad loved all forms of uniquely American music, especially jazz, and resonated with artists such as Keb' Mo' who blended traditional forms with contemporary consciousness.

***Get Together* by The Youngbloods.**

Dad resonated with the ephemeral and passing nature of human life and the importance of connecting with each other while we are here together.

***Secret Of Life* by James Taylor**

Dad loved James Taylor and was able to clue into the "secret of life" described in this song, especially as he aged. He was a highly accomplished person and put a lot of energy into achievement over the course of his life. But family and friends are what gave all those achievements real meaning for him.

***Wildflowers* by Tom Petty**

Dad loved this album and played it frequently. This song speaks to a spiritual beauty that one sees in another, and the encouragement we can offer others to flourish in their own way. Dad recognized gifts in others, and he encouraged them. Like other songs we chose, it also reflects Dad's connection with nature.

***Blue Boat Home* by Peter Mayer**

This song does a beautiful job of expressing reverence and love for our planet Earth and it resonates with dad's passion for the environment and combating climate change. This hymn appears in some Unitarian Universalist hymnals with the words Peter Meyer wrote.

***Here Comes the Sun* by The Beatles**

This was a favorite of Dad's, and it is worth noting that he was a Beatles fan from the beginning. If the kids didn't buy a Beatles album when it came out, he did. He bought Abbey Road; we all loved it, and it was playing a lot in the house. It reflects a deep seated value within both our parents: in spite of tragedy, immense challenges, and loss, in spite of the grind of daily living, there is beauty and hope - we make it ourselves in the way we live our lives.

Special Thanks to ...

The Band

Chris Jacobson- Chism, lead vocalist
Tyler Carpenter, bass
Quinn Whittier, keys
Eleni Moraites, guitar
Josh Quirk, drums

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Karen Blackall & Scott Keeble

The Staff and Deacons of Copper Creek Church

Stephen Kovachevich and staff of Michael's Catering

Maggie Taylor and staff of Delight Flower Farm



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