

CLOSE THE GATE

*For this one farmer the worries are over, lie down and rest
your head.
Your time has been and struggles enough, put the tractor in
the shed.*

*Years were not easy, many downright hard; but your faith in
farming transcended.
Put away your tools and sleep in peace, the fences have all
been mended.*

*Hang up your jacket, the sheep have been lambed. Your
work here on earth is done.
You raced some fine horses, placed a good bet and always
followed the sun.*

*A faith few possess led your journey through life, with hard
work and determination, all the way.
The sun is setting, the chocolates all eaten and here now is
the end of your day.*

*Your love of the races was your joy, and in the winning circle
did shine.
Wash off your work boots in the puddle left, by the cold
southerly rain one final time.*

*You always believed that you would provide, and you always
did somehow.
Take off your gumboots and put them away, no more sweat
and worry for you now.*

*Your labour is done, your home now is heaven where many
family and friends await.
Your legacy lives on, your love of the land and we will
Close the gate*

With Fond Memories we Farewell

Maurice William

HAMPTON

28 October 1948 ~ 13 July 2024
At Rest



Service to farewell Maurice

held in J Fraser & Sons Chapel, Invercargill on Thursday 18th July 2024 at 11am

Celebrant: Sally Tily



INVITATION

Maurice's family thank you sincerely for your love and support at this time, and for your attendance today, in person and online. At the conclusion of the service, you are warmly invited to share many more memories of Maurice with the family and each other over light refreshments in the adjacent Catering Lounge. Maurice will then depart with the family for a private interment at Tuatapere Cemetery.