Ithaca

As you set out for Ithaca
hope the voyage is a long one,
full of adventure, full of discovery.
Laistrygonians and Cyclops,
angry Poseidon—don't be afraid of them:
you'll never find things like that on your way
as long as you keep your thoughts raised high,
as long as a rare excitement
stirs your spirit and your body.
Laistrygonians and Cyclops,
wild Poseidon - you won't encounter them
unless you bring them along inside your soul,
unless your soul sets them up in front of you.

Hope the voyage is a long one.
May there be many a summer morning when,
with what pleasure, what joy,
you come into harbors seen for the first time;
may you stop at Phoenician trading stations
to buy fine things,
mother of pearl and coral, amber and ebony,
sensual perfume of every kind -
as many sensual perfumes as you can;
and may you visit many Egyptian cities
to gather stores of knowledge from their scholars.

Keep Ithaca always in your mind.
Arriving there is what you are destined for.
But do not hurry the journey at all.
Better if it lasts for years,
so you are old by the time you reach the island,
wealthy with all you have gained on the way,
not expecting Ithaca to make you rich.

Ithaca gave you the marvelous journey.
Without her you would not have set out.
She has nothing left to give you now.

And if you find her poor, Ithaca won't have fooled you.
Wise as you will have become, so full of experience,
you will have understood by then what these Ithacas mean.

C P Cavafy

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In Loving Memory of

Gregory Karantze

14th November 1918 - 10th December 2017

The Funeral Service for

Gregory Karantze

Held at

St. Demetrios
Greek Orthodox Church

Corner of Heretaunga Street East
and Willowpark Road, Hastings

on Friday 15th December 2017 at 1pm

Minister: Father Ioakeim
Funeral Director: Paul Dunstall

Followed by interment at the Western Hills Cemetery,
Clyde Jeffrey Drive, Greenmeadows

Everyone is invited to join the Karantze Family
for a time of sharing memories and refreshments
at the Dunstall Memorial Chapel lounge,
Edwardes Street, Napier, following the interment.

Order of the Funeral Service

The Trisagion Service, chanted before the Funeral Service on the day of the Funeral.

Selection of versus from Psalm 119 (LXX 118), in three stanzas:
- Part I - verses 1, 20, 28, 36, 53, 63;
- Part II - verses 73, 83, 94, 102, 112, 126;
- Part III - verses 132, 141, 149, 161, 175, 176.

Blessings (Evlogetaria):
"Blessed are you, O Lord, teach me your decrees!" (Psalm 119:12 TNIV).

Kontakion and Hymns.

Scripture Readings: (a) 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 and (b) John 5:24-30.

Small Litany, Prayers and Dismissal.

The Kiss of Peace and the anointing of the body.

Casket conveyed to cemetery.

The Greek Orthodox Funeral Service

The Greek Orthodox Church believes that death is the separation of the soul (the spiritual dimension of each human being) from the body (the physical dimension).

The Greek Orthodox Funeral ceremony lasts between 30 and 60 minutes.

It is traditional for Greek Orthodox to say to the bereaved, 'May you have an abundant life', and 'May their memory be eternal'.

The Funeral Service of the Orthodox Church accomplishes the following:

- Utilises the occasion of death to help us develop a more profound understanding of the meaning and purpose of life.
- Helps us to deal with the emotions we have at the time of death and as time passes after death.
- Emphasised the fact that death for the Christian is not the end, and affirms our hope in salvation and eternal life.
- Recognises the existence of the emotions of grief caused by the separation from a loved one, and encourages their expression.

Trisagion Service

The Trisagion following a death, takes place before the Funeral at the wake. The prayers entreat God to grant rest to the departed soul and that it may receive mercy. The title "Trisagion" comes from the repetition three times of the opening phrase of the Service, "Holy God, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us."

Funeral Service

The Orthodox Funeral Service emphasises the reality of the death and the new life of the deceased. It is a positive Service featuring prayers for forgiveness and repose of the deceased's soul. Priests wear white to symbolise the joy of the resurrection.

The deceased and the family arrive at the church where the priest begins the Service by meeting the family, friends, and casket at the front door of the church. Chanting, he leads them into the sanctuary for the Service.

Burial

The deceased and the mourners go up to the cemetery for the burial.
To conclude, the priest pours oil and dirt on the body in the form of a cross, saying, "Wash me with hyssop and I shall be pure, cleanse me and I shall be whiter than snow."

The priest again says the Trisagion Service for the last time.

All mourners are welcome to attend.

Koliva

The boiled wheat, known as koliva, is a symbol of the Resurrection. When speaking of the Resurrection, our Lord said: "Unless the grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone, but if it dies it bears much fruit." (John 12:24).