

4th December 2019

Dear Úna,

On behalf of Paula, Mattie and myself I wanted to say a heartfelt thanks from all of us to everyone in Setanta for the beautiful singing at Mum's funeral, and a special thanks to you for coordinating everything from across the Atlantic and Trevor for stepping in to conduct straight after a couple of long shifts.

The singing was ethereal, as always, and meant an enormous amount to us given Mum's connection to the choir. As you know it brought her unending pleasure to be part of the Setanta family, mainly for the singing of course! But also for the fun, friendships and camaraderie. When she was no longer able to carry on with the choir, Wednesday nights were never the same for her again - a hole in the middle of her week. She loved all the workshops, festivals and trips abroad too and reminisced about them often.

So, thank you Úna and thank you Setanta for bringing so much joy into her life for so many years and for singing so beautifully as she embarked on her final journey. George Eliot, one of mum's favourite authors expressed it beautifully when she said " life seems to go on without effort when I am filled with music". Thank you for filling mum's life with music.

All our love,

Dara, Paula and Mattie O' Hare.