

Mum,

Where do we even start.

It is so unfair that this cruel illness has taken you away from us, far too early, but what an incredible life you had, you shared and you gave to us. We wouldn't possibly have time to talk about all the wonderful memories we had together, so instead we have decided to share some reasons for which we would like to thank you. And of course we'll attempt to add some humour as specified on your bullet pointed funeral plan.

Thank you for being our role model; you were so strong, so loving, so sharp, smart, so determined and our biggest inspiration. And look what well-rounded, magnificent children you have raised!

Thank you for teaching us the importance of hard work; forcing revision upon us, even taking time off work to get us through our A-Levels! One of us may have taken this a bit more seriously, but you were always our advocate and never lost faith! Somehow!

We loved seeing all of your hard work pay off – we fondly remember when we shared the moment you won the Singapore litigation that you had worked on for many years – screaming in the kitchen at 1am - definitely signified a career high!

Thank you for letting us host many wild and wonderful parties at your house, including the ones you *maybe* you didn't know about... And for running the cocktail bar with Brian at the ones you were.

Thank you for taking us on so many amazing trips all around the world, from San Francisco when we were not much more than toddlers, the Canadian Rockies, Hong Kong, Taiwan and Florida to travelling around LA and Singapore as adults. Not forgetting the many soggy camping trips scattered through the years which started

with Aidan at just 6 weeks old – we shared some incredible experiences and had such fun together.

Thank you for your love of the colour green that has taken over our lives from nearly every car to every painted wall (yes even before the Pennine Way).

Thank you for turning every family occasion into a serious tournament, or board game Olympics, I think we know where we get our competitive streak from.

Thank you for giving us the Fletcher nose.

Thank you for showing us how to live life to the full and how precious life can be. You never wasted any time. You were still playing bridge in your last week!

Thank you for being a true inspiration. You somehow turned the most devastating situation for you into something marvellous and positive. You raised so much money for the MNDA, raised the profile of the disease and created once a lifetime experiences with you, for us and for so many people on the Pennine Way walk.

Thank you for bringing everyone from our whole life and yours back to us over these last few years, everyone here today is proof of what a loyal friend you were, and how many people love you.

Thank you most of all for being the best mum; for loving us unconditionally; protecting us and being there for us no matter what. We love you so much.