

# Lauren's Message

Written by Lauren, one of Fleur's grandchildren and currently living in London

Good afternoon, I'm sorry I couldn't be there today.

My grandma was one of a kind. She was a strong, intelligent, and powerful woman. Her dedication to helping people, both during her career and as a friend, was an inspiration to all. It encouraged me to pursue science and to stand up for what I believed in.

She was also a soft and gentle woman. She always knew what to say and her desire, or even need, to be there for those around her was one like no other. I have fond memories of her comforting me after a bad day, praying with me, and showing me her love for all things great and small. I always feel her when I see orchids, when I smell eucalyptus, and when I hear birds chirping.

Most of all, she was one of the most loving people I knew. Her memory lives on through her beautiful family, and of course, the colour purple. I'm so lucky to call her my grandma and I hope one day I'll see her again, happily and wildly waving at me like she did whenever I visited Sunrise.

Lots of love,

Lauren

