



## *Blessing*

Dan Fogelberg Memorial Dedication Ceremony

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We are gathered here on this glorious day to celebrate Dan Fogelberg - beloved son, brother, husband, friend, colleague, and revered artist. His spirit not only resides within our hearts but within this beautiful memorial. Dan's words of wisdom and incredible depth will continue to touch people here. These profound words will perhaps bring memories of Dan's diverse body of work to those for whom he has written the soundtrack of their lives. Or perhaps these words will be read for the first time -- planting seeds of hope, love, enlightenment, encouragement.

This memorial, created and constructed out of immense respect and love, has been blessed and consecrated. This will now and forever be considered a sacred space for those who need it to be so. Please join your thoughts, hearts and spirits together with Dan's at this time in a moment of silence...

Dear God, we ask that you continue to bless and protect this sacred memorial and nourish the land it inhabits. Bless those who visit this monument in the many years to come. Allow them to receive empowerment, enlightenment and comfort in the sacred words etched here. Bless all those far and near who love Dan and comfort them in their loss of his physical presence. Let them hold the knowledge that his spirit and his love for them will be with them always. We will forever be touched by Dan's legacy -- we will forever love him. Love is eternal. Love is the only thing that matters...Amen.