

Violin 2

Memorial

Cortège with Variations for strings To mark the loss of someone dear

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Suitable to be played either instead of or to terminate a short period of general silence.
If wished, section VI may be replaced by a variation composed for the occasion to allude to the deceased.

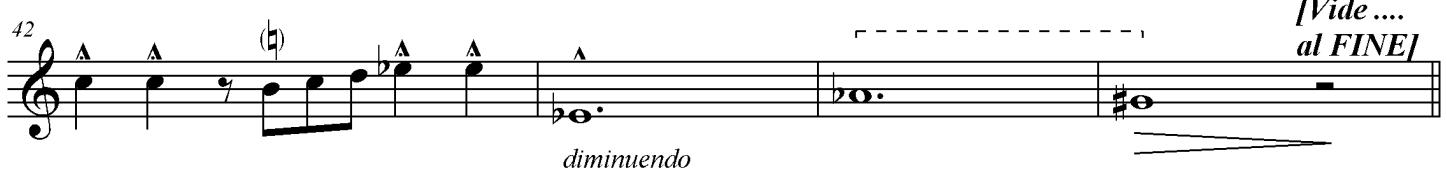
Those players and audience who are able may be invited to stand.

At the end, a designated person may announce the name of the deceased and then lead general applause.

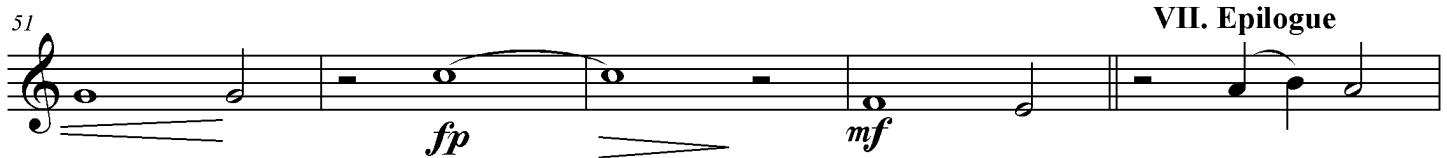
Duration: complete I-VII 3'9"; I-V only 2'21"; I-III only 1'24"

I. Lento (60)

The musical score consists of seven staves of music for violin 2. Staff 1 (measures 1-5) starts with a sustained note followed by eighth-note pairs. Staff 2 (measures 6-10) features eighth-note pairs with dynamic *f*. Staff 3 (measures 11-15) shows eighth-note pairs with dynamic *p*. Staff 4 (measures 16-20) includes sixteenth-note patterns with dynamic *p* and a tempo marking *leggiero*. Staff 5 (measures 21-25) shows eighth-note pairs with dynamic markings *crescendo* and *diminuendo*. Staff 6 (measures 26-30) ends with a dynamic *pp*. Staff 7 (measures 31-35) concludes with a dynamic *f*. The score is divided into sections labeled II, III, IV, V, and VI, corresponding to the staves.



VI. In Memoriam Angelæ



VII. Epilogue



diminuendo at fine

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for my late friend Angela Richey
founder of Volante Strings