Short Eulogy for My Friend

Thank you all for being here today to give John a proper send off for a fellow musician. I met John about six years ago when we were both playing gigs in Memphis. We connected that first set and went on to form our little jazz band, ending up playing here in New Orleans. John wasn't a formal guy and would never want me eulogizing him. He was humble and the only thing he valued almost as much as his family and friends was his music. John once told me, he could give up beer, pizza and chocolate peanuts - and we all know how much he loved those foods - but the one thing he couldn't live without was music. So, John this song is for you, brother, with all my heart, you are the one thing in life I never thought I'd have to give up!