



John Rufus Hawkins, Sr.

January 8, 1940 - October 9, 2020

John Rufus Hawkins, Sr., 80, of Chattanooga, passed away Friday, October 9, 2020 in the Hospice Care Center. He was a graduate of Howard High School. He retired from Alstom Power Plant after 44 years of service. John was the Chairman of the Deacon Board of Rock Island Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by his father, Otis Hawkins and mother, Ollie Lampkins. Survivors include his wife of 28 years, Leslie Hawkins; sons, John (Sharon) Hawkins, Jr. and Patrice Hawkins; daughter, Eboni Hawkins, all of Chattanooga; five grandchildren, John Hawkins III, Jonisha Hawkins, Johnathon Hawkins, Emari Lee, and Amora Scott; brother, Alvin Arrahmaan of Chattanooga; sisters, Dorris Davis and Jessie Ann (Jimmy) Anderson, both of Chattanooga; uncle, Pastor Archie (Sandra) Griffin of Chattanooga; dear friends, Anthony (April) Cook, Kenny Bostic, Bennie Ferguson, Pastor Eundra (Felicia) Porter, Cecil (Linda) Barber and Leonard Waller; and a host of nieces; nephews; other relatives and friends. Pastor Ronald Cook, Sr. will serve as the eulogist.

Cemetery Details

Chattanooga National Cemetery

1200 Bailey Ave
Chattanooga, TN 37404

Previous Events

Lie-In-State

OCT 16. 9:00 AM (ET)

Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc
3417 Wilcox Boulevard
Chattanooga, TN 37411

Family Service

OCT 16. 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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Tara Anderson - October 16, 2020 at 02:48 PM

SJ

“ *Pleading the Blood of Jesus for peace and comfort during this time. I'm a cousin of John Rufus, whom I am sad to say I didn't know. I'm from the Mack Hawkins Family Tree whereas Cousin John was from Johnny "Bud" Hawkins Family Tree. We have been having family reunions since 1989 when we tried researching our family history. Would love to get to know you all. Please contact me Sandra Hawkins Jackson @ gawjah@aol.com. In Jesus Name*



Sandra Hawkins Jackson - October 16, 2020 at 01:58 PM

GM

“ *Sending my sincere thoughts and prayers to the family of my friend Jessie Anderson. Praying that God gives you comfort and peace at this time of sorrow. I am asking God to give you strength day by day.*

Gracelia Moore - October 15, 2020 at 06:56 PM

AC

“ John "Hawk" you will truly be missed by my family and !!! Thank you for the many beautiful memories that I have that we all shared. To Leslie & Ebonie I will continue to keep you all in my prayers as well as the rest of the family. Love you!!



April Cook - October 15, 2020 at 03:08 PM

LR

“ Lyn Ross lit a candle in memory of John Rufus Hawkins, Sr.



Lyn Ross - October 15, 2020 at 02:36 PM

AF

“ Angela Davis & Family lit a candle in memory of John Rufus Hawkins, Sr.



Angela Davis & Family - October 15, 2020 at 09:57 AM

DH

“ Doris & Gerald Hatten lit a candle in memory of John Rufus Hawkins, Sr.



Doris & Gerald Hatten - October 14, 2020 at 12:49 AM

DH

Sending Condolences To The Hawkins Family, In This Time Of Sorrow. Our 🙏🙏🙏's are with You.

Doris & Gerald Hatten - October 14, 2020 at 12:51 AM

AW

My thoughts and prayers are with the Hawkins Family during their time of sorrow. Andra Willis

Andra Willis - October 14, 2020 at 03:16 PM

CE

Praying In Obedience for you, and your family. We love you all so much. The Eppinger family.

Cathy Eppinger - October 15, 2020 at 08:44 AM

ML

“ *Love and prayers to you Leslie and Ebonie. Love you all, Drucilla and family ❤️*



Ms. Drucilla Lindsey - October 13, 2020 at 05:16 PM

AA

“ *Sending my prayers and condolences to the family of Mr. John Hawkins, love you Leslie and Ebonie stay strong God will see you through, much 💕*

Alfreda Austin - October 13, 2020 at 04:47 PM

EW

“ Edward And Tiamara Wynn lit a candle in memory of John Rufus Hawkins, Sr.



Edward and Tiamara Wynn - October 13, 2020 at 09:45 AM

NJ

“ Praying for your family my God continue to keep them in his loving arms around them.



Nathaniel Jackson - October 12, 2020 at 10:34 PM

JA

“ Jessie Anderson lit a candle in memory of John Rufus Hawkins, Sr.



Jessie Anderson - October 12, 2020 at 08:34 PM

JA

Loving memories of my older brother who was a gentle soul .He will always be remembered .

Jessie Anderson - October 12, 2020 at 08:36 PM

JA

My family will continue to pray for Leslie ,Ebonie ,John Jr.and Patrice Hawkins .God blessings.

Jessie Anderson - October 13, 2020 at 09:52 PM

LB

“ *Lavora Bundy lit a candle in memory of John Rufus Hawkins, Sr.*



Lavora Bundy - October 12, 2020 at 10:55 AM

LB

My beloved uncle John Rufus Hawkins SR. Loved his family and loved his sister and his brother he will be sadly missed by me and other family members his mother just passed in 2018 he was a great father he was a great uncle he was a great person to be around I love his cooking I love the small chats that we used to have together I just love being in his present he is gone but he will never be forgotten the Gates of heaven have opened up for you and your mother waits to see you God bless you rest in peace and may your family rest and know that you are in a safe place now love always

Lavora Bundy - October 12, 2020 at 10:58 AM

LB

John Rufus Hawkins Sr has two sisters he love them both and one brother

Lavora Bundy - October 12, 2020 at 08:28 PM