



John Carlton Hawkins

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John C. Hawkins, Sr. passed away on September 28, 2009.

A resident of Covington since 1979, he was the beloved husband of Lucile (Puddin) Smart Hawkins. He is also survived by his children, Dr. Sarah H. Ross (Dennis), John (Jack) C. Hawkins, Jr. (Diane), and The Rev. Ralph W. Hawkins (Elizabeth); grandchildren, Andrew Ross (Miriam), Ainsley Ross, Michelle Hawkins, John Hawkins III, Lonnie Hawkins, Ella Hawkins; sister, Mary Hawkins, M.D. of Flora, MS; sister-in-law, Lane Smart of Covington; and many cousins, nieces, and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ralph and Pauline Hawkins. Born in New Orleans on September 26, 1933, he served in the US Army from 1952 to 1954 and took part in the Upshot-Keyhole Atomic Test in Nevada in 1953. After discharge as an E-5, sergeant, he was a member of the American Legion Post 16 in Covington. He graduated with a BSEE from LSU in 1958 and an MAS from the University of Alabama in Huntsville in 1975. Employed for over 40 years in the electric utility industry, he retired from Cleco in 1998. He was a registered Professional Electrical Engineer in Louisiana and five other states. He was ordained as an Elder at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Huntsville, AL in 1965 and repeatedly served on the Session of Covington Presbyterian Church. He also served on the Committee on Ministry for the Presbytery of South Louisiana for five years and acted as Commissioner to the General Assemblies of 1977 and 2002. In 2004 he was Lay Supply Pastor at the 3rd Presbyterian Church, New Orleans. He also served at various times as Moderator of the Sessions at Carrollton, Berean, and Gentilly Presbyterian Churches in New Orleans and 1st Presbyterian Church in Ponchatoula.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral services on Friday, October 2, 2009 at 11:00 AM from at Covington Presbyterian Church, 222 Jefferson Ave., Covington, LA 70433; visitation AT THE CHURCH will begin at 9:00



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AM on Friday.

Graveside services with Military Honors will follow at Pinecrest Memorial Gardens.

The family would prefer donations to Covington Presbyterian Church.



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GM

Gretchen Hawkins Moss posted:

I am so sorry to hear of John's passing. I am the daughter of John Vivian Hawkins Jr. Which would make John C. my cousin. Please accept my sympathies and know that I am sorry I did not see this sooner. Gretchen

February 15 at 2:23 PM

TK

Tina G. Kaack posted:

Mrs. Hawkins and Ralph, I am sorry to hear of your loss. My prayers are with you both at this most difficult time. Tina Kaack

October 3 at 11:51 AM

LC

Leo & Beth Cardon posted:

Our deepest sympathy to John's wife, Puddin, and family. We have not known him very long but his presence in a room made one aware that this was a Godly man. Now he is with his Savior, free of pain and will be there waiting when we are ready to join him. May God bless you and give you His peace

October 1 at 7:45 PM

MC

Moe Chehardy posted:

Mrs Hawkins, It was a pleasure working with John at cleco. He was a very good man, and I had a lot of respect for him. My sympathies are with you and your family.

October 1 at 5:30 PM

JA

Jim And Carroll Anderson posted:

Puddin, we will miss John. He served his Lord well during his lifetime. What he has done will be remembered by the churches of this presbytery.

September 30 at 5:20 PM

DC

Diane And Randy Carter posted:

I will always cherish my memories of working with John at Cleco. My prayers are with your family.

September 30 at 2:49 PM



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VS

Valora H. Spencer posted:

Dear Puddin, Words cannot express how sorry I am to hear about John. He was one of the sweetest men I have ever known. I'll always remember how happy he was when he showed me his model trains & how they worked. His kindly greeting to me on the Sundays I came to church brightened my day. I know how much he will be missed. May God and his angels bring you and the family comfort during this time of heartache.

September 30 at 6:50 AM

CC

Carol And Manny Carvalho posted:

Our prayers and thoughts are with you at this sad time. Lots of love to you all.

September 30 at 6:28 AM

MC

Margaret Claiborne posted:

Dear Puddin, My deepest sympathies to you and your family. Margaret S. Claiborne

September 30 at 5:55 AM

NJ

Nick Justice posted:

Jack, Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. We can only hope to be able to enjoy a full and eventful life like your dad did. If you need anything, let me know.

September 30 at 3:46 AM

SA

Stan And Ann Fee posted:

We were certainly saddened to hear of John's passing and wish to express our sympathy and condolences to the family. John was certainly a fine person and we have many fond and pleasant memories of him during the time in Huntsville. Stan and Ann Fee

September 29 at 5:54 PM

SC

Stephen, Rachael ,Taylor, & Barrett Creech posted:

Jack our prayers are with you in this time of grief. Your father was a wonderful man and he will be greatly missed. Nothing can take the place of great dad in our lives. We love you guys. Stephen

September 29 at 11:08 AM



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Melanie Blount Golden posted:

Cleco's "Uncle John" will truly be missed. He was truly a blessing to so many people. He was the greatest. Dave and I will keep you all in our prayers. We love you. Melanie and Dave Golden

September 28 at 9:48 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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