



Theodore Willing Hawkins

July 7, 1936 - July 24, 2018

Mr. Theodore Willing Hawkins, 82, of Statesville, entered into eternal rest Tuesday, July 24, 2018 at the Gordon Hospice House.

Mr. Hawkins was born July 7, 1936 in Glens Falls, NY, the son of the late Dr. Charles Hawkins and Herta Nagel Hawkins. He was a graduate of Glens Falls High School and Siena College in Loudonville, NY with a B.S. Degree. On August 31, 1958 he married Bunnie Bick Hawkins, who survives. His professional life was varied. He first worked for the NY State Health Department as a Bacteriologist. He experienced a great deal of success working in sales and was the president of his own corporation. An innovator in many fields he was especially effective in the area of reduction of waste in oil, first with motor oil and later in the bio-fuel movement. An accomplished violinist, he spent the last decade of his life providing musical therapy in Hospitals and in Nursing Homes throughout central and western North Carolina.

Ted was a member of Hebron Baptist Church, a servant of the Lord and a man of great faith who said that he just wanted to serve the Lord. He often remarked that the two most memorable weekends of his life were when he married Bunnie, and the weekend he made his pilgrimage in the Via De Cristo movement. Ted was a cast member in many music productions in Statesville, including being the actual "Fiddler" in Fiddler on the Roof, and with roles in The King and I, My Fair Lady, Hello Dolly, Peter Pan, Tea House of the August Moon and Brigadoon to name a few. He and his wife were members of the Cantamos Choir for 14 years, where at one time they were honored to sing in the Billy Graham Crusade in Charlotte. Ted was an active community volunteer, working with a number of organizations including Teen Challenge, Promise Keepers, Iredell County Rescue Squad, Here's Life, and Iredell Memorial Hospital.

In addition to his wife of nearly 60 years, he is survived by a daughter, Pamela Weiden (Conrad) of Chapel Hill, NC; three sons, Christopher C. Hawkins (Kimberly) of Ocean Isle, NC, T. Russell Hawkins of Statesville, Douglas J. Hawkins (Ashley) of Winston-Salem, NC; nine grandchildren, Adelaide Weiden of Wilmington, Catherine, Mathias and Conrad

Weiden of Chapel Hill, Kirby and Carson Hawkins of Ocean Isle and Isaac Hawkins of Greensboro, and Lydia and Josiah Hawkins of Indian Trail, NC. He was preceded in death by a brother, Frederick Hawkins.

A celebration of life service will be held Saturday, August 11, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at Hebron Baptist Church with Rev. Darren Johnson officiating. Burial will be held in the church columbarium. The family will visit with friends from 1:00-2:00 p.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Gordon Hospice House or Hebron Baptist Church. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.nicholsonfunerals.com

Nicholson Funeral Home is serving the family of Mr. Ted Hawkins.

Donations may be made to:

Gordon Hospice House 2341 Simonton Rd., Statesville NC 28625
Hebron Baptist Church 175 Hebron Road, Statesville NC 28625

Comments



“ A candle was lit by Robin Ifft

on July 26, 2018 6:02 PM

Our sincere condolences to the family on his passing.
Jim Ptaszynski and Robin Ifft

Robin Ifft - February 11 at 09:21 AM



“ A candle was lit by Marianne Wiegman

on July 26, 2018 11:01 PM

Bunnie and Family,
Our sincere sympathy on your loss. We are thinking about you with our hearts and
in our prayers. May God grant you comfort and peace.
Love and blessings,
Larry and Marianne Wiegman

"I will not leave you comfortless ~ I will come to you." John 14:18

Marianne Wiegman - February 11 at 09:21 AM



“ May your memories be a source of comfort during this difficult time.
Alison Bonds and family

Alison Bonds - February 11 at 09:21 AM



“ We share the sadness of losing this talented man. He left wonderful and meaningful
memories with those he knew and loved. We were so fortunate to have encountered
Ted and Bunnie as they traveled through our community. Peace to all the family as
they mourn this man they will never forget.

John and Linda Marshall - February 11 at 09:21 AM



“ To my lovely Aunt Bunnie, her children and grandchildren,
My heart aches with you during this time of such great loss. Uncle Ted was one of those rare individuals who spread happiness and cheer to everyone he met with his infectious smile, beautiful voice, inspiring music, and generous spirit.Â Let the light he spread through his life and ministry guide you and sustain you now and forever.

Sandra Tritt - February 11 at 09:21 AM



“ So sorry Russell and family. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Tracy Grose Harmon - February 11 at 09:21 AM



“ A candle was lit by Vickie Bennett

on July 30, 2018 8:58 PM

Russell and Bunnie and family, so sorry to hear of your loss. Ted was always such a nice man, with a smile upon his face and his Bunnie by his side. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Vickie Bennett - February 11 at 09:21 AM



“ Dear Bunnie and Family. I just found out that Ted had passed away. It was a pleasure getting to know him while he worked at Carpet Rentals, Inc. He was a fine example of a Godly Man, whom was so proud of his family, whom he spoke of often.Â Keeping your family in my thoughts and prayers,

Mary Jane (Swicegood) Crumpton

MARY Crumpton - February 11 at 09:21 AM



“ Ted had such an amazing heart and giving soul.Â He was such an inspiration everywhere he went and especially at Iredell Memorial where he volunteered andÂ gave us personal concerts in the pharmacy.Â May God give you peace, and may Ted go rest high on that mountain.

Stephanie Turbiville - February 11 at 09:21 AM



“ Â You don't know me. I was looking up another friend and saw this sad news. Ted touched our lives when my mom, 94, was in Iredell Hospital. He played for her, it was so sweet and brightened both our days. I'm alone here in the area, so it was just magical to have him visit her. Thank you Yed, your music and Service will be missed.Â

Joni Stone - February 11 at 09:21 AM



“ To Aunt Bunnie and all of my cousins - UncleTed is in a wonderful place, and I know he is sharing grins with Dad.Â Two men who were more like brothers than brothers-in-law.Â I'll always have great memories of Uncle Ted, and Aunt Bunnie, check out Romans 8:24-27.Â Love to all of you, and we will all be together next week so we can all wrap our arms around each other.Â I KNOW there will be laughter too, because that's just how this family is.Â Love, Nancy in Kansas City

Nancy Bck - February 11 at 09:21 AM



“ Russell, I am so sorry to see that you lost your Dad. I lost my Dad 2 years ago. They say time heals all wounds.....I'm not so sure that's true. I think time just gives us perspective, the hurt is still there. Know that I am praying for you and your family. Love, hugs, and prayers Â Wendy Wilcox Pierce

Wendy Wilcox Pierce - February 11 at 09:21 AM



“ A candle was lit by Evelyn and Wayne Shew, Carolina Remarketing

on August 4, 2018 2:25 PM

Bunnie, Wayne and I will miss Ted. We are sorry for your loss and will keep you in our prayers. If you are ever out by the store, stop in; we would enjoy seeing you.

Evelyn and Wayne Shew, Carolina Remarketing - February 11 at 09:21 AM



“ When I think of Mr. Hawkins, I just think of kindness.Â He was so, so kind.Â He visited our church often and shared his music with us but my fondest memory is of our boys helping him out at his and Bunny's home, moving brush.Â It was a community service project for our boys but Ted worked right alongside them, cheerful and teaching them the best way to get the job done right.Â I am so very sorry for your loss and will keep you in my prayers.

