



Coach Robert Ozenia Hawkins

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Goldsboro - Coach Robert Ozenia Hawkins, 89 of 400 S. Claiborne Street, passed on Sunday, October 23, 2016 at Kitty Askins Hospice Center, Goldsboro, NC. The celebration of his life will be held on Sunday, October 30, 2016 at 12:30pm at Greenleaf Christian Church DOC, 2110 N. William Street, Goldsboro, NC. There will be a viewing held on Sunday, October 30, 2016 from 11:30am until 12:30am at the church. He will be laid to rest on Monday, October 31, 2016 at 10:00am at the Eastern Carolina State Veterans Cemetery, 164 Longs Plant Farm Road, Goldsboro, NC.

Coach Hawkins, was known to be an effective coach, a teacher that taught thousands of kids in the school system at Dillard & Goldsboro High School in Goldsboro, NC, as well Danville, Kentucky. He was born on August 14th, 1927 in Danville, Kentucky to Anthony Hawkins and Susie Higgins Hawkins. He is survived by his loving wife, Mary Barnes Hawkins of the home and children.

Professional, sympathetic, dignified, compassionate care and service entrusted to J.B. Rhodes Funeral Home.



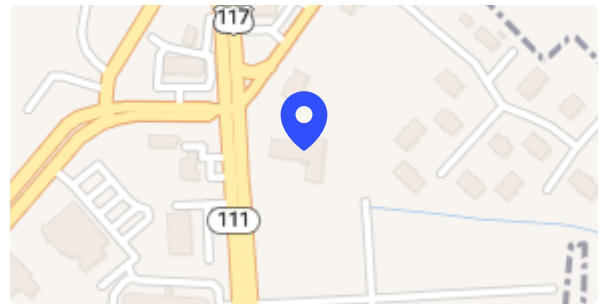
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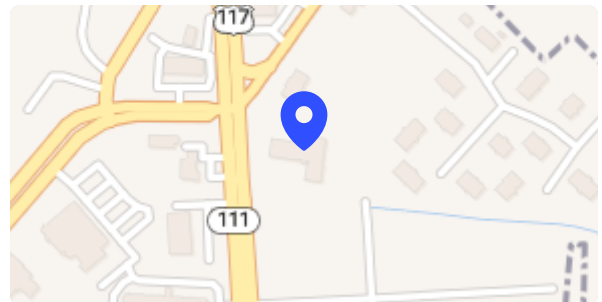
Viewing

- Sunday**, October 30, 2016
- 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM ET
- Greenleaf Christian Church DOC**
2110 N. William Street, Goldsboro NC 27530



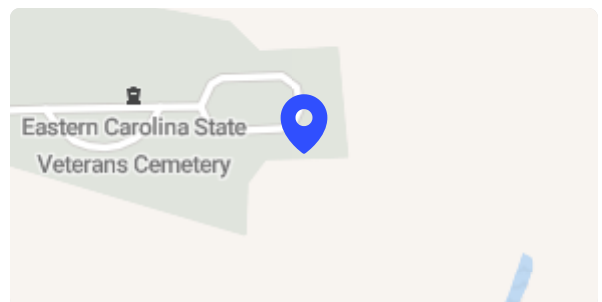
Service

- Sunday**, October 30, 2016
- 12:30 PM ET
- Greenleaf Christian Church DOC**
2110 N. William Street, Goldsboro NC 27530



Cemetery Details

- Eastern Carolina State Veterans Cemetery**
164 Longs Plant Farm Road, Goldsboro NC 27534





Tribute Wall

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JE

Julian Edwards lit a candle in honor of Robert.

October 30 at 10:44 AM



ES

Emma Shannon posted:

Ozenia was a long-time family friend. He meant a lot to our community as a teacher and a friend. He will be truly missed. Sincerely, Emma Shannon

October 30 at 3:31 AM

AH

Ann Hawkins lit a candle in honor of Robert.

Such a very nice man. Sincerely, Ann Hawkins Danville, KY

October 29 at 3:26 PM



RF

Robert Frye posted:

Was a friend of my family my mother Mae Rice had him talk to me wgen I was a teenager how grow up and conduct myself as a man thank you Mr Hawkins.

October 29 at 1:09 PM

AT

Arthella Thompson lit a candle in honor of Robert.

October 29 at 12:13 PM





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James & Kathleen M. Lewis lit a candle in honor of Robert.



October 28 at 5:37 PM



Lanier Bowman October 29 at 12:53 PM

To the family I am so sorry for the loss. God Bless. Lanier Bowman Danville, Kentucky



James October 28 at 5:44 PM

To the family, we are so very sorry for your loss. He was a very fine man and coach.. He will be truly missed. God Bless you all. James and Kathleen M.Lewis from Danville, Kentucky.



Anonymous sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Hawkins family.



October 28 at 1:41 PM



Tammy D. Bell lit a candle in honor of Robert.



October 28 at 9:01 AM



Rosalind W. Edge lit a candle in honor of Robert.



October 27 at 8:27 AM



Brenda Royal lit a candle in honor of Robert.



October 27 at 4:52 AM



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JJ

James R Jones posted:

My prayers are with the family. I knew him when he live and coached in Danville, Ky. James R. Jones Charlotte, NC

October 26 at 11:03 AM

RW

Roland Whitley Jr posted:

Coach, I want to celebrate your life by saying, " you have been an awesome example as a man and husband for me to learn from." Manhood comes to mind as I learn what it meant to be a man that was responsible and yet assertive in my actions as a positive contributing citizen. Scholarship comes to mind as I was challenged during my high school by you to commit to learning. If I failed this, you would simple knock me upside my head with those forearms or put me in the head lock. More importantly, I learned through you that I could achieve a highest education beyond high school because you had did that and had expectations of me to do so also. Uplift comes to mind as I like many of my classmates always received words of support. You and Mrs. Mary invited me into your home and encouraged me to pursue my dream of playing in the NBA. Although I did not make it to the league, the journey with you everyday for 8 weeks in the summer two times a day 3 hours in the morning and 2 hours in the afternoon was crazy but rewarding. Your call telling me that I had gotten a tryout to the NBA mini-camp with the Denver Nuggets and never once did you say I could not make. I recall you saying, "Son go out there and show them what you got!" I learned that this was never about the NBA but it was what you were teaching me the value of family, relationship, networking, and life skills, which has continued to be the staple of my existence. Perseverance comes to mind as you shared with me that the journey of life will have its ups and downs. No matter what, we must continue to strive to obtain our dream even if the odds maybe against you. So, I am sure thankful that you shared with me your belief in Jesus Christ and how important accepting Christ is. I can rejoice and say, "One day Coach, I will hear your voice and be with you in heaven!" Love You Roland Whitley Jr

October 26 at 11:00 AM

MM

Mrs. Patricia Whitley Mckeithan posted:

I have fond memories of Coach Hawkins as my history teacher at Dillard High School. Mr. Hawkins, as I called him, was a great man. He was compassionate, personable and expected the best for his students. Many years have passed since I communicated with him, but I am grateful to have sat under his teachings. Thank you Mrs. Mary Hawkins for sharing him. May God, family and friends comfort you, and the peace of God sustain you. Patricia Whitley McKeithan

October 25 at 1:42 PM



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CP

Coor's Pharmacy posted:

We are sorry to hear of the passing of Coach Hawkins. He was always a very kind hearted man. Mrs Hawkins has such a sweet spirit. Prayers for the whole family..

October 25 at 8:00 AM

CR

Camille Revels lit a candle in honor of Robert.

My sincere condolences to the Hawkins family. Coach Hawkins was my high school homeroom teacher...4 years. He was like my father away from home. I would come see him and Ms. Mary every time I would come home to visit. He will truly be missed. -Sincerely,Camelia Gregory



October 25 at 5:58 AM

RD

Regina Dawkins posted:

Ms. Mary I am very sorry to hear of the passing of Coach Hawkins you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

October 24 at 6:04 PM

RP

Ray Pittman posted:

Coach Hawkins was the best coach Goldsboro ever had. I will never forget how much he taught me.
Ray Pittman

October 24 at 4:22 PM

LJ

Larry Johnson posted:

Coach Hawkins and Ms Mary played an enormous role in my life as a teenager. Coach Hawkins taught me a great deal about having a strong work ethic and living life without excuses. Chris and I share our thoughts and prayers for the entire family.Larry and Chris Johnson

October 24 at 2:17 PM



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Cliftine Shields lit a candle in honor of Robert.



October 24 at 4:26 AM



Joseph K. Alston 3Rd October 26 at 7:22 PM

Dear Mary, I am so sorry to hear the news about the passing of your husband, Brother Hawkins. My most sincere condolences. You are in my thoughts and prayers. I will be praying for you and the rest of the family. Sending you lots of love.



Joe Campbell October 26 at 3:04 AM

He was a good teacher and a good coach, I remember going to football and basketball practice and watch him train his players, he could really bring the best out of them, Mr. Hawkins earn and deserve the title coach because he was good in the class room and in sports. May God bless and comfort his family during these days of sorrow. Joe N. Campbell



Ruby Simmons October 25 at 8:12 AM

Ms. Mary, Gerald and I was so sorry to lean of Coach Hawkins' death. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you and your family! Gerald/Ruby Simmons



Bobby Taylor lit a candle in honor of Robert.



October 23 at 12:10 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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