



Randolph Hawkins

August 1, 1932 - March 26, 2026

Randolph Hawkins was born on August 1, 1932 to the late James Eugene and Darling Gatling in Murfreesboro, North Carolina. He departed this earthly life on March 26, 2026 at Ahoskie Health and Rehabilitation.

Randolph was educated in the public school system at Calvin Scott Brown High School in Winton, North Carolina.

He was considered by many people as a jack of all trades. He was self-employed and was a very skilled painter. Randolph was known to many as Tomato (Mata) Hawkins.

He joined First Baptist Church Murfreesboro, North Carolina at an early age. He served faithfully on the Usher Board for 34 years as well as being a dedicated member of the Deacon Board.

Randolph was preceded in death by his mother, Darling Hawkins; his father, James ; his sister, Euzelia and his brothers, Roy, Eugene, and Emmitt, and his loving wife, Ethel Jordan Hawkins.

He leaves to cherish his memories, one daughter, Joyce Ann Peoples of Murfreesboro, North Carolina; one sister, Hazel Elmore of Brooklyn, New York; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives and devoted lifelong friends.

Cemetery Details

Gatling Family Cemetery

Murfreesboro, NC

Previous Events

Service

APR 4. 12:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church
230 US-158 BUS
Murfreesboro, NC 27855
(252) 398-4775

Tribute Wall

CD

“ *Christine Darden lit a candle in memory of Randolph Hawkins*



Christine Darden - April 09 at 05:03 PM

CD

My Condolences To The Family

Christine Darden - April 09 at 05:04 PM

PW

“ *Patricia. Wood lit a candle in memory of Randolph Hawkins*



Patricia. Wood - April 03 at 12:31 AM

SM

“ *My Condolences to the family. I knew him as tomato and he was always smiling and he never knew a stranger!! May God continue to comfort and keep you all in His care.*



Sandra McNeill - April 01 at 11:09 AM

CL

“ *Sending condolences to the family.....*

Carol Lee - April 01 at 10:16 AM

DG

“ *I remember Mr. Hawkins during my growing up years in Murfreesboro. My sincerest condolences to his family and friends.*

Dr. Linda Britt Gill - March 31 at 07:29 PM

VR

“ *Victor Ross sent a virtual gift in memory of Randolph Hawkins*



Victor Ross - March 31 at 01:56 PM

SP

“ *Sauvtra Powell lit a candle in memory of Randolph Hawkins*



Sauvtra Powell - March 31 at 12:48 PM

JW

“ *Rest In Peace: from Dwight Parker!!! Will always remember our talks at McDonald's* 🕊️💙



Joyce Fleetwood Wiggins - March 31 at 12:36 PM



“ *Annettee Parker lit a candle in memory of Randolph Hawkins*



Annettee Parker - March 31 at 11:38 AM



Will Always Remember Your Laughter and Smile, My Cousin.

Annettee Parker - March 31 at 11:39 AM



“ *Joyce Wiggins sent a virtual gift in memory of Randolph Hawkins*



Joyce Wiggins - March 31 at 09:06 AM



“ *Condolences to the Hawkins family. Long lived Mata*



Paulette Watson - March 31 at 06:50 AM

SG

“ Sharon Grant lit a candle in memory of Randolph Hawkins



Sharon Grant - March 31 at 06:40 AM

SG

Randolph was a very good person and part of our family, when he was married to A,also known as Ethel Mae. He always wore a smile, and had kind words to say. Randolph, you will be truly missed.

Sharon Grant - March 31 at 06:43 AM

WH

“ William And Lisa Hooks sent a virtual gift in memory of Randolph Hawkins



William and Lisa Hooks - March 30 at 11:44 PM

TB

“ You are in our thoughts and prayers-
The residents and staff of Ahoskie Health and Rehab



Tonia Bryant - March 30 at 10:49 PM

LD

“ *LETIA DICKERSON sent a virtual gift in memory of Randolph Hawkins*



LETIA DICKERSON - March 30 at 09:49 PM

JR

“ *Sincere condolences to the family of Randolph Hawkins!* 🙏



Jewel Britt Rascoe - March 29 at 07:35 PM

TF

“ *The Tann Family lit a candle in memory of Randolph Hawkins*



The Tann Family - March 29 at 05:29 PM

EM

“ *Emma McGlohone lit a candle in memory of Randolph Hawkins*



Emma McGlohone - March 29 at 03:09 PM

LE

“ *Linda Eason lit a candle in memory of Randolph Hawkins*



Linda Eason - March 29 at 02:50 PM

WC

“ *My sincere condolences to the family in your loss .*



Westelle Cherry - March 28 at 11:19 PM

CS

“ *Charmont H Stephen lit a candle in memory of Randolph Hawkins*



Charmont H Stephen - March 28 at 08:39 PM

JE

“ *Jackie L. Eley lit a candle in memory of Randolph Hawkins*



jackie I. eley - March 28 at 11:18 AM

VR

“ I've known Mr. Randolph (Tomato) Hawkins and his family since my early childhood. I haven't seen him in years, but I can hear him calling me "Ross" whenever he sees me.



Victor Ross - March 28 at 10:03 AM

JE

“ Joyce Eley lit a candle in memory of Randolph Hawkins



Joyce Eley - March 28 at 09:24 AM

VR

“ Victor Ross sent a virtual gift in memory of Randolph Hawkins



Victor Ross - March 28 at 04:29 AM

RH

“ Raye Holley lit a candle in memory of Randolph Hawkins



Raye Holley - March 27 at 09:22 PM