



*Letha Ann Pritchard
Hawkins*

March 22, 1942 - Jan. 10, 2024

Letha Ann Pritchard Hawkins, 81, of Glen Alpine, NC, went to her heavenly home to be with her parents and sister on Wednesday, January 10, 2024.

Born in Burke County, NC on March 22, 1942, she was the daughter of the late Frank Howard Pritchard and Minnie Grace Powell Pritchard.

Letha was a lifelong, active member of Gibbs Chapel Wesleyan Church where she played piano and sang in the choir for many years. She retired from Glen Alpine Elementary after 26 years as a Title 1 Reading Teacher. Letha was a fan of the UNC Tar Heels and the Atlanta Braves. She took pride in her flowers and especially loved spending time with her family and church family.

A devoted Christian wife, mother, and grandmother, Letha is survived by her husband, Louie Junior Hawkins; children, Chris Hawkins (Lori), Eric Hawkins (Jennifer), and Jeff Hawkins (Jeanie); grandchildren, Gracie, Claire, Zachary, Kaleb (Hannah), Erica, Garrett (Darian), and Bryson Hawkins; and numerous nieces, nephews, and extended family.

In addition to her parents, Letha was preceded in death by her sister, Linda Kay Clontz.

The family will receive friends from 1 to 2 p.m., Saturday, January 20, 2024 at Gibbs Chapel Wesleyan Church. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. in the church with Rev. Cris Uren officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Gibbs Chapel Wesleyan Church, 1741 Jamestown Road, Morganton, NC 28655.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall



Chris and family, I was so very sorry to learn of your loss with the transitioning of Mrs. Letha Hawkins. May God give you all strength and peace as you go through these most difficult days ahead. Mothers are so very special. I send you all my deepest condolences.

–Ruth Roseboro

My sincere sympathy and prayers go out to the Hawkins family. When we all see Jesus we will sing and shout the victory. I pray this thought will bring God's rest and favor to the Hawkins family now and forevermore.

–Don Pollard



Steve & I are deeply saddened by the loss of Aunt Letha! May you all be surrounded by the light of love during this most challenging time! May you find strength in the memories of such a great mother & wife as you continue to carry on her beautiful legacy! I know how very proud she was of each of you, Chris, Eric & Jeff... as well as your lovely wives & great kiddos! Please give your daddy, Uncle Louie, a big ole hug & let him know we love him!! His love for Letha as well as her love for him will go on forever!! Peace, love, understanding & strength is wished for each of you!! And, be sure to smile each time you think of Aunt Letha as you hold on to all the

fun & loving moments you were blessed with!! Prayers,
Steve & Jo

—Steve & Jo Jordan

I am so sorry to hear about Letha's death . The family will be in my prayers!

—Dawn Roper



Chris and Lori, Anne and I are so sorry for your loss. Mothers are very special people and your mother so many people at Glen Alpine. Our thoughts are with you.

—Ronnie and Anne Thompson

Mr. Hawkins,Chris, Eric and Jeff I'm saddened to learn of your mother's passing. She was a wonderful teacher ,person and cheerleader at our youth games growing up in Glen Alpine. I'll never forget those days and recall them often . Praying for you guys.

—Adrian Crawley



I have no words, as my heart is truly broken. Letha Ann meant the world to me, as she did so many. She was so precious to our family and was loved so very much. The love that she showed was amazing and it you always knew how much she loved you. She loved her family like no other as well as her church. Thankful to have known her and call her my friend. I love this family so very much and ya'll are FAMILY and hold a very dear and special place in my heart. Thank you for you friendship and loving me Letha Ann. Praying for ya'll and I love you guys very much! P.S. Tell my people I love them and miss them so much! Especially momma. Pam Cowan McLellan

–Pam Cowan McLellan

Louie, Eric, Chris, and Jeff, I was so saddened to hear of Letha's passing...She was such a dear person and I had grown to love her so much over the years since my daughter became a part of the family. She was always smiling, eager to listen, help, or just appreciate being in your presence. I remember so many good times at the cabin on the river when we had long conversations about all the families. She loved them all and was so proud of their accomplishments. Rest assured she is no longer in pain and will reunite with her family lovingly in God's time. Prayers for peace as you go forward without her in your life but treasure all the memories she left behind. Doing this, she will always remain alive in your heart.

–Janice Caraway



much love and sorry for the loss

–jonathan welborn



Chris and Family, We are praying God's Peace and comfort for each of you through this sad time. We love you.

–Benny \$ Barbara Childers

Our thoughts and prayers for Gods comfort during this difficult time. Mrs. Hawkins was such a wonderful woman. Her memory will live on through her family and all that she instilled in them. Mr. Hawkins, Chris, Eric and Jeff thank you for the positive impact that your mother and each of you have had in my life.

–Robert white

Letha was a lovely lady with a beautiful smile. We know she will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family.

–Ron and Annelle Mulwee

I'm very sorry for your loss. Letha always treated me like family and never judge. She was a beautiful person and shall truly be missed. I'll be maintaining the good thoughts and prayers for the family during this difficult time.

–Mike Clontz

Chris, Lori, Gracie & Claire, So sorry to hear about Letha's passing. I hold you all in my heart as I send you prayers for the pain you are going through. Your mom and grandmother is a beautiful soul and she touched many lives. I imagine her laughing, smiling and running with her arms open wide pain free as she makes her way to heaven. I will always remember her smiling. I love you all. Pam

–Pam IsaacsRoths

First met the Hawkins family in 1977 when I first moved here and started attending Gibbs Chapel. Always a highlight was knowing your family. Your mother's piano playing was always impressive and prolific with the ease she seemed to be playing with. Even more impressive was the wonderful wife and mother she was. When I think of a model Christian family, the Hawkins come to mind. Your mother and dad quietly lived their lives but were so steady and consistent. They raised three fine boys into wonderful men. Each of you have beautiful families now and have followed in the footsteps of your parents in living consistent and rock steady lives. So sad to learn of your mother's passing but I know she's with her parents now and will rest peacefully in the presence of the Lord forever and will await the wonderful family reunion you will all have. That's the greatest legacy a mother can leave behind, children following her example and ready to enter the Kingdom whenever the Lord calls

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–Bradley Davis

I am so very sorry for your loss. She was a wonderful and caring teacher not only to her family but to many children at Glen Alpine Elementary School where I worked with her. May God comfort each of you with his warm arms as you suffer her loss. Well done, Good and Faithful servant.

–Jacquelyn Ward

So sorry for the loss of your Mother. I think the world of all the Hawkins, and know it will be a hard time. Prayers sent to all of you.

–Cathy Henson

Chris and family, so sorry to hear about the passing of your so sweet and beautiful Mom. She will always be remembered by all who were privileged to know her personally or thru the school system ! My children who had her in school loved her so much! Hugs and prayers to you, Chris and all of the Hawkins Family. Sincerely yours, Karen Brown

–Karen Brown



Weeze and Jeanie I'm So so sorry about your mom! I'm praying for your family! Please let us know if there is anything we can do for you all. Tess Bowman

–Tess Bowman



Good Bye my sweet cousin I will carry you in my heart until we meet again in Heaven Love You

–Rickie Causby

Chris and family, I am so sorry for your loss of your mother. Sending prayers for peace to help in the transition of your life without your loved one.

–Shirley Dale



Chris ,Eric ,Jeff im so very sorry for your loss one of the sweetest ladies ive ever met prayers are with you an your families love ya guys "PeeWee"

–PeeWee Whisenant



This was one sweet, Christian lady.. I always felt inspired by Father God in her presence as I am sure she was in his presence .. and she had a sweet ,loving soul mate always by her side .. Yes she will definitely be missed by all of us who knew her ... to Louie , and their sons and families I pray that our loving God will give each an abundance of peace and comfort to carry you through the days ahead. Death is such a big void in our life but when we know without a doubt where our loved one is, and our belief that yes we will see them again one day ..where there is no pain or sorrow.... It becomes a blessing I love each of you and as said above my prayers are with you I will miss her at church ..The Riddle Family , Joann , Dewayne,Laurie,Josiah, Kevin,Gavin,and Riley Riddle

–Joann Riddle

Chris, Lori and family. We are so sorry to learn of your mom's passing. Prayers for your family and praying for God's comfort to you guys.

–Tracy and Laura Crawley

Letha was one of the sweetest people I had the privilege to know. Remembering family in prayer.

–Ann Smith