



William Erastus (Bill/Ras) Hawkins

March 29, 1923 - June 24, 2006

Name for heading: "Bill/Ras" Hawkins (Veteran)

Dateline: Greer

William Erastus (Bill/Ras) Hawkins, of 4050 Hwy 14 North, died June 24, 2006 at home.

A native of Forest City, NC, he was a son of Grover and Lydia Young Hawkins, and a member of Springwell Baptist Church. In previous years he worked for Daniel Construction Co. and Duke Power Co., and retired from Greenville County School System, where he taught at Enoree Vocational Center. He was a US Army Air Corp Veteran of World War II, a member of Bailey Masonic Lodge #146, Scottish Rite, Hejaz Shriner, Honorary Guide at Shriner's Hospital and a member of Foothills Emmaus.

Surviving are his wife, Ernestine Forrester Hawkins, two daughters and sons-in-law, Sandra and Stanley Blackwell of Inman, Kim and Garland Malone of Greer, one son, Keith Hawkins and Pam Turner of Lyman, one brother, John Dewey Hawkins of Greer, two sisters, Gladys Brown of Greer, and Mildred West of Greenville, 5 Grandchildren, Glenn and his wife, Kelly Blackwell, Brent and his wife, Liz Blackwell, Reva and Evan Malone, and Bradly Lemmons, 4 Great Grandchildren, and 1 Great-Great Grandson.

A special acknowledgement to care giver Rhonda Hightower and Hospice Carolina Foothills and many friends.

He was predeceased by a brother, Rufus Hawkins.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Wednesday at Springwell Baptist Church

conducted by Rev. Julian Ford and Chaplain Allison Richardson.

Pallbearers will be Craig Hawkins, Phil Hawkins, Ricky Batson, Dimp Eleazer, Richard Bruce, Bradly Lemmons Jimmy Hightower and Marshall Sightler.

Honorary Escort will be Former Teachers, Co-Workers of Daniel Construction Co., members of Bailey Masonic Lodge #146, Shriners and Special Friends.

Masonic rites service will be at 6 p.m. Tuesday at The Wood Mortuary with visitation following from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.

Burial is in Wood Memorial Park.

The family is at the home.

Memorials may be made to Shriner's Children Hospital, 950 W. Faris Rd., Greenville, SC 29605.

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Previous Events

Service

JUN **28**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Springwell Church
4369 Wade Hampton Boulevard
Taylors, SC 29687