



John Robert Hawkins

November 27, 1951 - March 12, 2012

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John Robert Hawkins, age 60, of Morrilton, passed away Monday, March 12, 2012. He was born November 27, 1951 in Morrilton, Arkansas, a son of the late Sheriff Marlin Conover Hawkins and Kathryn Marvine Treadwell Hawkins. He was owner of Petit Jean Liquor in Morrilton, was a member of Morrilton

First United Methodist Church, Fish Lake Club, President of Conway County Liquor Association, founding member of Conway County Legal Beverage Association where he helped to initiate millions of dollars in contributions for Conway County. He was also a Board member of Arkansas Beverage Retailers Association, a former Deputy Sheriff, and an avid outdoorsman. Survivors include two sons, Travas Givens, his wife Tina of Perryville, and John Adam Hawkins of Morrilton; daughter, Kathryn Anne Hawkins of Morrilton; brother, Bruce Hawkins, his wife Phyllis of Morrilton; sister, Kaye Anderson, her husband Neal of Lonoke; nephews, Jamie Anderson, his wife Elizabeth of Lonoke, and Clayton Hawkins of Morrilton; niece, Katie Seiver, her husband Scott of Rogers, Arkansas; grandchildren, David Aaron Givens, Tucker Carden, and Tyler Givens all of Perryville; and a host of friends and extended family.

Funeral services will be 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 15, at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Todd- Paul Taulbee officiating. Burial will be at Center Ridge Cemetery by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton. Pallbearers will be Phil Rhoades, Ralph Jones, Dow Dollar, Mark "Compound" Roland, Danny Neighbors, and Les Cupp. Honorary Pallbearers will be Fred Hill, Cody Hill, Gary Koch, Jimmy Hill, Gary Glenn, Jim Hawkins, Carroll Hawkins, Joe Carl Hawkins, Dr. Steve Long, members of the Fish Lake Club, Conway County Legal Beverage Association, and the Conway County Liquor Association. The family will receive friends on Wednesday, March 14, from 6-8 p.m. at Harris Funeral Home in Morrilton. Memorials may be made to Center Ridge Cemetery, 5423 Hwy 9, Center Ridge, AR, 72027, or the Lanty Cemetery Fund, 46 Shannon Rd, Morrilton, AR 72110.

Tribute Wall



“ *John Robert Hawkins*

January 30, 2023 at 02:08 AM



“ *I am so saddened to hear of John Robert's passing. He was such a wonderful man. Everytime I saw him, he always brought a smile to my face. Heaven has gained a new angel now!! May God bless his family and may you all take comfort in knowing that he will always be with you in spirit!!*

Lynlee Wiedower Holland - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM



“ *The world feels emptier without him. I know I will see him again one day, but in the meantime he will be greatly missed.*

Denise Waters - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM



“ *We certainly will miss John Robert. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this difficult time but know that God will help you endure this loss. Love you all.*

Delores Hartman & Family - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

MC

“ John Robert always reminded me that I was a Hawkins, and that was something to always be proud of. He was always so kind and loving to me, he never judged, and always there for me when I needed him. He always had a smile on his face when he saw me and we shared lots of laughs. I will miss him terribly. I remember how he comforted me when my sister died and was there when it mattered most, even as sick as he was. I will always be grateful for the memories. I know I'll see you again in heaven someday. Have a drink ready when I get there. I love you!

Madeline Hawkins Cox - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

DM

“ I am deeply saddened by the news of John Robert's passing. Please accept my condolences.

Dustin McDaniel - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

BC

“ John Robert was a great neighbor and helper in the neighborhood and especially a good friend. He will be missed.

Bob and Mary Carter

Bob Carter - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

BG

“ It has been my pleasure and honor to call John Robert my friend for many years. He is truly missed. I pray the arms of God wraps and comforts John for eternity and that God Blessed you, his family with Comfort, Peace, Strength. So sorry for your loss!!!

Bobby Gilbert - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

JO

“ I remember when he turned Uncle Marlin's sirein on during the Old Liberty Declaration services.

John will be missed.

My heart goes out to the family.

Jimmie O'Neal - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

MN

“ When I was in school in Conway, I used to see John Robert pretty much every weekend for the obvious reasons. He was always good company and treated me well. I know all of us who knew him will keep and tend a good and solid memory of him. My deepest condolences to the Hawkins family.

mike nichols - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

RC

“ May he rest in peace.

Roger Chambers - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

RC

“ I remember when my dad passed away, John & the Sheriff both had traffic blocked aat the cemetary standing in the rain. I also remember at my wedding(John Robert was my best man) locking a two inch chain with a cow bell attached to the axle of my car. These and other memories will never be forgotten. May he rest in peace.

Roger Chambers - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

DN

“ For many years a stop to see John Robert on my way through Morrilton was a great and enjoyable means to catch up on "doins" in Conway County. He always treated me like an old friend as I am sure he did everyone. I will miss him.

David Norman - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

JM

“ our prayers are with you,
Sincerely,
(AHBA)

Julie Mills - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

JA

“ To all the family of John Robert's I wish to offer my sincere sympathy. I'm sure John's life will be a memory to each of you in a different and special way.
May God be with each member of this family.

James Anderson - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

VE

“ It was our privilege to know John Robert. Our condolences to his family and friends.

Vince & Ann Ellis - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

CK

“ We are saddened by your loss. God knows best

Charlotte & Minus Kindle - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

DL

“ *The family is in my thoughts. I'm sorry for your loss.*

Duane Lawrence - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

RS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We are sorry for you loss.
Ron and Donna Stobaugh*

Ronald and Donna Stobaugh - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

PD

“ *I don't remember when I didn't know John Robert. He was always a friend and my heart is saddened by his death. Know that you are all in my heart and prayers.*

Paula Cupp Darter - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

JR

“ *John Robert was a mentor and friend in the liquor business. He always had HIS customers in mind!!! Was a pleasure to call on him.*

Jim rasch - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

JR

“ *John Robert was a friend and customer of mine I sold him liquor and wine for 20 years. I learned more from him about sales than anybody I ever called on. I will miss him as a customer and great friend. I'm sorry for the family.His legacy in the liquor business will live on forever.*

Jim rasch - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

DH

“ *Kaye and Family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this
difficult time.
Duncan and Melissa Hight*

Duncan Hight - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

HN

“ *John Robert was a good friend and always had a smile and a kind
word for everybody. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family.*

Henry Noland - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

RN

“ *Kaye & Bruce,
I remember some great fun growing up with John in the old "hood".
He and I, Jamie and Tommy Huett, Allan Love, Bruce was a little
guy tagging along, and a lot of other kids in the neighborhood
created some great memories. Thinking and praying for you guys!
Celebrate John Robert's life for me.
Ronnie*

Ronnie Newman - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

TF

“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of remarkable man
who made a difference in our lives and our community as well. May
God comfort you in this time.*

The Mullins Family - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

JH

“ We are so sorry to hear about John Robert. You are in our thoughts and prayers!
The Earl Family

Judy Earl Harris - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

GK

“ My connection to the Hawkins family goes to my birth. Bruce and I where born 3 days apart. Mrs. Hawkins and my mother where in the old St. Anthony's hospital together. We lived 3 houses form each other. I spent nearly as much time in the Hawkins house as I did in mine. What a wonderful joy it was to see the love and caring that came from the Hawkins family. Almost always the conversations where about people or families that where in need of help and what could be done to help them. I was very fortunate to see the Hawkins family from the inside, a view that many, especially those outside of our county never saw or understood. The absolute goal of the Hawkins family has and will be to help other people. John was so good to me and my son. He taught me to turkey hunt way back when hardly anyone was. He was a dear friend to my brother. He allowed me to campout and hang out him and my brothers friends. John's and my brother friends are some of my dearest friends today and I thank him for that. John allowed me and my son to hunt with him. I know it had to be a distraction to him, but he never minded, he was glad and gracious. John and I enjoy trips up in the mountains in his old red truck. The snopps flowed and we talked about politics. John was instrumental in me deciding to serve a city alderman. He said that if you feel that you can help the people then you should do it. I saught and valued his opinion. I could usually count on getting a phone call after a city council meeting and we would talk about the affairs at hand. Most people that knew John well know that he could be a "butthead" at times, but that was John and the next time that you saw him he was back to being the best friend that you could ever want. I am very proud to have been his friend. I am so very sorry for his family. John has left this earth way to early. The family has a great support team. I hope for the best for the family.

Gary Koch - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

DK

“ I will miss you John. My thoughts are prayers are with your family. I will always remember you beating that truck to call your cows!

Dawn (Wesley) Kelley - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

MC

“ We are sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you at this time.

Mary Jane Caudell

Mary Jane Caudell, Roger Caudell - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

LD

“ Very sorry to hear about his death. Was praying daily and will continue to do so for family. Enjoyed getting to know him and having him as a neighbor.

Larry Davis - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

AH

“ GF-J.A. Hawkins. GM- Beulah Hawkins, Father-Billy O.Hawkins. I'm so sorry :(for your loss. I just found out 15 min ago from Robert Lowell Hawkins Jr. Not 2 days ago I,was wondering how J.R. was doing. I would very much like to send your family a real sympathy card. I will if I may have a snailmail address. Family is still family on the Hawkins side. You are in my prayers.

Alan Dwayne Hawkins - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

SL

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you, sorry I won't be able to be there. I amso thankful that I got to go by and visit with him. God Bless all of you.

Sammie L.Allen - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

TN

“ Keeping your family in our prayers during this difficult time.

Tracie Nutt - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

CG

“ My relationship with John Robert goes back to the early 1970's when I worked in the Sheriff's Office for his dad. John Robert was a young man learning to follow in his father's footsteps which was always a good thing. His background has brought him to be one of the kindest & most wonderful gentlemen I could have ever known. May all of you have peace in knowing he is in a better place and no longer suffering. God Bless You.

Carolyn Gadberry - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

BI

“ John Robert was very couragous. His parting will leave a huge void. I pray, we can all fill it with remembered joys. My deepest sympathy,
Billie Faye Whittenburg Brown

BillieWhittenburgBrown - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

TF

“ Our condolences to John Robert's family and friends. We are sorry for your loss and will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

The Gene Wirges Family - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

DP

“ if I ever needed anything I could always go to John, He was an angel even though he was here on earth. We just borrowed him from heaven, now he has returned where he is free from all the pain and sorrow that we are left to face. But we will all be together again, so rejoice in the memories that we all have of him. Love you John.

Debbie Peoples - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

GL

“ Our condolences to the family for your loss of John Robert. He will be missed by all.

Gary and Jo Lynn Lee

Gary and Jo Lynn Lee - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

JL

“ If you need anything, just give me a call @ 501-253-6305 !! & may
G O D B L E S S !!!

James Winters & Debbie Light - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

GS

“ May God bless the entire Hawkins's family during this most difficult time in their lives. Rest in peace my dear friend. You will be missed by many.

Garland Glenn Stacks - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

KS

“ Will really miss seeing him at his store. He was a really nice guy and always enjoyed visiting with him.

Kay Smith - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

TA

“ Keeping you all in my thoughts & prayers during this difficult part of life's journey. God bless each of you.

Tammy Andrews - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

WO

“ Since Delmas, my father, was how I kept up with everyone, passed two years ago I've been lost. I share your grief, i guess Kay or Bruce were the last I had touch with and that's years. s
Woody

Woody - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

JS

“ John Robert was a kind and caring man. Who will be missed by all.
Rest in Peace my friend.

jack turley sr - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

FL

“ Our dear friend will be greatly missed he was such a special person.
We were blessed to have him as a friend all these years.

Farrell & Louise Lentz - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

SP

“ I'm so sorry for your loss, we were out of town and couldn't attend family hour or the funeral services but our thoughts and prayers were with you and your family. I know John will be missed by all that knew him.

Steve Powell - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM

BN

“ I extend my condolences to the family of John Robert. I can't believe I'm just now learning of John's passing. Please know that John was a dear and old friend of mine. We shared many, many good times. His kids were always his favorite topic. His entire family was his life. John Robert had a way of always bringing a laugh out of you. I will miss him and I'm so very sorry that I was not there to say good bye to my friend. Bruce Norwood

Bruce Norwood - June 29, 2018 at 09:55 PM



“ In Memory of a kind and caring man, John Robert, you are loved and will be missed so much. God Bless all family and friends.

March 16, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry for yalls loss, what an awesome man God has called up.

March 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ John Robert always had a sweet way of making someone feel good. The last memory I have is his telling me he would be honored to accompany me to a family reunion. Peace be with you and family.

March 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM