



Mr. Thomas Lee Hawkins Jr.

August 9, 1962 - June 1, 2025

Obituary

Thomas Lee Hawkins Jr. was born to Nina Elizabeth Hurt-Hawkins and the late Thomas Lee Hawkins Sr. on August 9, 1962, in Richmond, Virginia. Thomas affectionately known as “Tommy,” transitioned on Sunday, June 1, 2025, and now abides in the presence of the Lord. Tommy was baptized in Jesus’ name and filled with the Holy Ghost early in life. His faith became the foundation upon which he built his values, shaped his actions, and extended love and grace to others.

As the middle child of three siblings, Tommy carried from an early age a quiet strength, deep compassion, and an unwavering devotion to family. Tommy attended Prince George’s County Public Schools and graduated from Eleanor Roosevelt High School. There he forged lifelong friendships and developed characteristics that shaped the remarkable man he would become.

Under the guidance of his father, Tommy honed the skills of an electrician—learning not just a trade but also the value of integrity, hard work and pride in his craftsmanship. Together, father and son worked side by side for many years at Glenarden Woods Apartments where they earned a reputation for dedication and professionalism throughout the community. These years not only molded Tommy’s career but also deepened the unbreakable bond between them. Tommy later continued his engineering craft where he earned a career at Inova Alexandria Hospital, where he was known for his reliability, quiet strength and steady presence by both colleagues and patients.

Tommy met and married Selma Hawkins. From their union, they were blessed with two children; Christopher Hawkins and Kiana Hawkins.

He later met Lisa Jackson-Hall and from their union they were blessed with Ryan Jackson. They remained great friends until his death.

Tommy was far more than a skilled tradesman—he was a mentor, a storyteller and a gentle soul. He possessed a rare gift for making people feel seen, heard and valued. His love for animals, especially dogs, revealed yet another layer of his kind heart. Tommy played an instrumental role in the dog-breeding community, inspiring and teaching others, even those once fearful to understand and appreciate these loyal companions.

Tommy’s laughter filled every room he entered. His words of encouragement carried

wisdom, his support was consistent, and his presence is unforgettable. To know him was to experience warmth, patience, and a genuine spirit. Tommy's legacy lives on in the countless lives he touched—with his kindness, loyalty, and the way he made everyone feel like family. Though he is no longer with us in body, the memories, joy and love he gave will remain in our hearts forever.

Tommy was preceded in death by his father, Thomas Lee Hawkins Sr., his sister, Shirley Denise Robinson and his nephew, Thomas "Tee" Leon Hawkins. He leaves to cherish in his memory: his beloved children, Christopher D. Hawkins, Ryan L. Jackson, and Kiana A. Hawkins; his mother, Nina Elizabeth Hurt-Hawkins; his sisters, Cathy E. Hawkins and Hashara R. Howlett; his grandchildren Amir, Benjamin, Christopher, Karter, Khalil, Kiara, Milani, Saint, Sevyn and Skylar; nieces and nephews: Teron Hawkins, Troy Hawkins, Louis Wood, Lakiesha Wood, Alexis Robinson, and Joel'ne Wiggins and a host of great-nieces and great-nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and many other extended family members and close friends.

Cemetery Details

National Harmony Memorial Park

7101 Sheriff Rd
Hyattsville, MD 20785
(301) 772-0900

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Greater Refuge Temple of Washington DC
420 56th Street NE
Washington, DC 20019

Funeral service

JUN 14. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Greater Refuge Temple of Washington DC
420 56th Street NE
Washington, DC 20019

Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Thomas Lee Hawkins Jr..*



June 14, 2025 at 11:12 AM



“ *We want to remember Tom living live and not to forget him, he was part of our family and Friends. Here are some Moments...*

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Sarita Mussenden - June 14, 2025 at 09:35 AM



“ *Manny planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Thomas Lee Hawkins Jr..*

Manny - June 13, 2025 at 12:23 PM



“ *Manny purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Thomas Lee Hawkins Jr..*



Manny - June 13, 2025 at 12:23 PM

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“ I worked with Tom at Alexandria Hospital for more than 15yrs, he was such a kind, pleasant and helpful man.....I am heartbroken :(he was part of my work-family, I will miss seeing his smile, sending much love and prayers to his family, Sincerely, MFinio

Monica - June 13, 2025 at 06:48 AM

JP

I have worked with Tom for more than 20 years. He was pleasant, kind and skillful. At work, if Tom cannot repair something that meant it required heavy machinery and several people. He was a dear friend of my husband Joe and I . He loved the Presa Canario dog 🐕 breed, he gave us 2 of his cherished puppies to raise. He visited us regularly and repaired many issues at our home. Due to his multiple skills, we had a list of maintenance projects for him do. He was a loving son and took great pride in caring for his mother. He stated, his father asked him to take care of his mother, with our observation he never fell short. If he spoke 5 words 4 would have concerned his mother. Recently he was so exited about his newborn grand child. Words cannot describe the sadness and the loss we feel. He will be greatly missed. Our condolences to Tom's family. R.I.P. beloved friend. 💔🙏🇺🇸

Joan Pierre - June 14, 2025 at 08:10 AM

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“ Tom was my brother when I get to work with him at the Engineering Dept. He would always be showing me his bashful smile and silent strength whenever he is around the office. Even until I transferred to another unit in the hospital, seeing Tom around together with the Engineering team I "grew" up with is always a joy. He has this tremendous work ethic and gentle with others in the hospital that I am so honored to have been a team family member with this wonderful man.

Tom, you will be missed so so much. You are now in the arms of our everlasting God. My deepest sympathies to the bereaved family.

Theresa - FCC/3OB

Theresa - June 12, 2025 at 09:02 PM

DA

I'm going to miss you terribly Tommy. Guess you didn't want to wait around and decided to go lookin' for 'big Sis.' Your departure is most painful and I'm heart-broken as I was not prepared. One of the most genuine bro's I could have ever known and I'm doubtful you'll ever be replaced.

Dawn - June 12, 2025 at 10:21 PM

MA

Tom, my brother in Christ. I'm still not comprehending that you're not here. I'm having a hard time processing this. What gives me comfort is the fact that you're with our Savior now, and that you were more than a colleague. You are my friend, and always will be. I had the honor of working with you for more than 25 years. We shared a lot of stories and learned from each other. You were a great source of wisdom during these last couple of years. You know what I'm talking about.

I was blessed to have talked with you memorial day. How appropriate. From now onwards, memorial day will have a bit more special of a meaning.

Descanse en pas, mi hermano.

Manny

Manny - June 13, 2025 at 12:18 PM

HH

Nina and family, our hearts are with you at this difficult time and we are praying for comfort and peace in knowing that others care about you all. Your Carver High School Class Chester, Virginia

Hazel Hobson - June 15, 2025 at 01:57 PM

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“ *kindest guy I have ever met! He was my buddy in the O.R. where we worked together. Worked his fingers to the bone and never had an ill thing to say or negative attitude. It made me happy to joke with him and get him to smile. I will miss you, Tom. Every time I saw him, I would say, "Tom, thank God!", that he was there that day. Sending love to his family. Please know he was a valued friend.*

Aimee - June 12, 2025 at 02:52 PM



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June 12, 2025 at 02:46 PM

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“ *INOVA Hospital Engineering Department. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Thomas Lee Hawkins Jr..*

INOVA Hospital Engineering Department. - June 12, 2025 at 11:53 AM

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“ *INOVA Hospital Engineering Department. purchased the Divine Light for the family of Mr. Thomas Lee Hawkins Jr..*



INOVA Hospital Engineering Department. - June 12, 2025 at 11:53 AM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Mr. Thomas Lee Hawkins Jr..*



June 12, 2025 at 04:29 AM