



## Dexter Arnold Hawkins Jr

August 20, 1944 - October 8, 2021

Dexter A. Hawkins, Jr. age 77, went home to be with his Lord and Saviour on Friday October 8, 2021. He was born in Vincennes, Indiana to Dexter and Leona Hawkins. Dexter loved the Lord with his whole heart and soul. He devoted many years of his life to teaching children and adults about Jesus. He was an Associate Pastor in Cape Coral at 1st Baptist Church and New Hope. The past 14 years, he and Ruthanne worshipped at Northside Baptist Church and Dexter was a deacon and a Sunday school teacher. He is survived by his wife, Ruthanne, his children Eric (Kim) Justin, Emma and Chance, Shane and his daughter, Brielle. Dexter was preceded in death by his parents, his daughter, Michelle Marie, and all 5 of his siblings, he was the last of the children in his family. A Celebration of Life Service will be held October 23rd at Northside Baptist Church, 8250 Littleton Rd. North Fort Myers at 11:00 AM. His burial will take place at a later date at Sarasota National Cemetery. Donations can be made in Dexter's name to Northside Baptist Church.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dexter Arnold Hawkins Jr*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Dexter Arnold Hawkins Jr*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *Teresa Pacheco and Family purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Dexter Arnold Hawkins Jr.*



**Teresa Pacheco and Family** - October 22, 2021 at 09:31 AM



“ *Dexter will always hold a special place in my heart. Easter and Christmas dinners were special in the Hawkins' household because of their love for family time and the lord. Brielle always spoke highly about time at "meemaw and peepaw's"- which made me very happy knowing how much you both love her.*

*I sincerely wish you peace in your time of grieving. We will be here for you.*

*Love,*

*Hailey Upchurch*

**Hailey Jade** - October 14, 2021 at 05:36 PM

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*Hailey, that was so sweet of you. Thanks again for your wonderful words. Love you, Memaw*

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**ruthanne hawkins** - October 14, 2021 at 08:01 PM

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*Dexter leaves us here at a loss, as he's now heaven's gain. We ask for God's comfort and peace to Ruthanne and the family and to so many who have been touched and made better due to Dexter's presence and love. He has been no stranger to hospitals over past several years, but he has been (at least for me) the best patient ever. Even in the hospital in pain, his faith, positive demeanor, and humor would pick you up, Once I had to climb 6 flights of stairs to visit him at Healthpark because the elevators were broken. I had forgotten about that but years later he had recalled it on a later visit and we had fun with that story once again. Dexter and Ruthanne are among our most faithful at Northside, the church we attend; Teaching and ministering came natural to him. As the saying goes, "you can judge a man by the company he keeps" has never been more true for Dexter, as his family and friends are such a testimony to his faith and character and everything he stood for. Looking forward to the reunion.*

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**Dennis & Eladia Osterhouse** - October 18, 2021 at 01:43 PM