

Homegoing Celebration
In Loving Memory



Hazel L. Ford
HAWK

Given by God - October 1, 1933

Returned To Him- February 6, 2026

Don't Cry For Me

Don't cry for me.
I will be okay.
Heaven is my home now,
and this is where I'll stay.

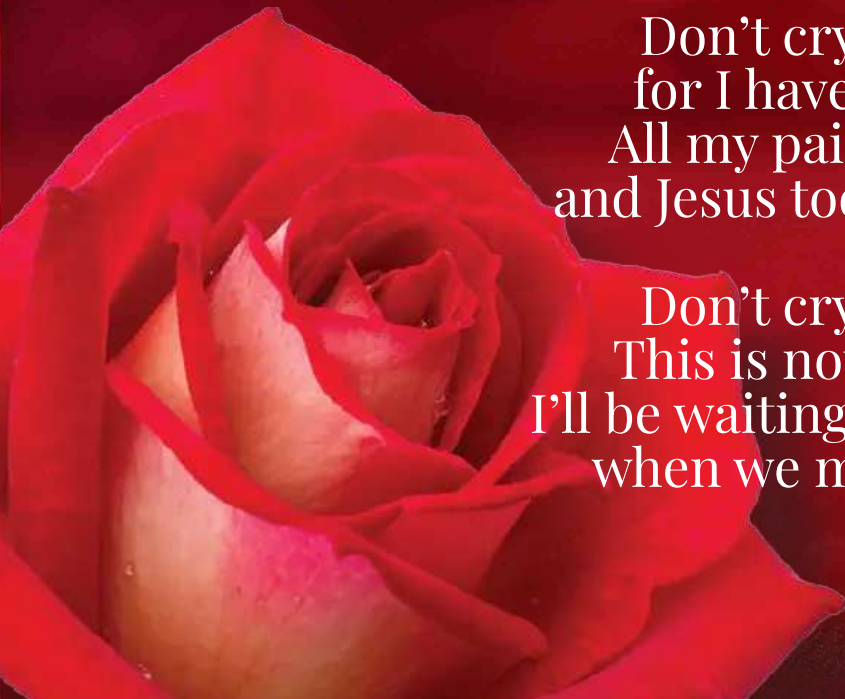
Don't cry for me.
I'm where I belong.
I want you to be happy
and try to stay strong.

Don't cry for me.
It was just my time,
but I will see you someday
on the other side.

Don't cry for me.
I am not alone.
The angels are with me
to welcome me home.

Don't cry for me,
for I have no fear.
All my pain is gone,
and Jesus took my tears.

Don't cry for me.
This is not the end.
I'll be waiting here for you
when we meet again.



*My Soul's Alive and
My Mind is Made Up!*



Hazel's Life Story

On October 1, 1933, Hazel L Ford entered on this earth to the parents of James B Ford and Lucille Hicks in Madison County, Alabama. Her glorious, filled life ended on February 6, 2026.

She attended school in the Moores Mill community and later went on to attend Council Training School. Hazel was the recipient of the Rosetta James Award in March 2004. She was a member of Silver Jewel Chapter 508, Order of Eastern Star PHA. Hazel accepted Christ at a young age and remained a faithful servant of the Lord throughout her life. She became a member of Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church under leadership of Rev. Walter P. Petty, where she served as a mother and a devoted steward of God's work. In April 1992, Hazel transferred her membership to Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church. There, she faithfully attended Sunday School and regular worship services and served on the Mother Board until her health began to fail.

She worked for the Madison County School System at Farmer's Capital School, serving as the lunchroom manager and cook for 16 years. She was especially known for her famous pig in blankets and homemade yeast rolls. She then began her career at Kroger Co., where she also served sixteen years and later retired. During her time at Kroger, Hazel became lovingly known for her exceptional cooking. Her meals were not only enjoyed by her Kroger family but were cherished throughout the community. Hazel had a special gift for bringing people together, welcoming everyone into her home with open arms and a warm heart, always ready to share a comforting, home-cooked meal made with love.

Hazel was preceded in death by her husband, Arthur "Jake" Hawk; her father, Mr. James B. Ford; her parents, Mr. Henry Clay Wherry and Mrs. Lucille Wherry; two sons, Leonard Hawk and Ralph Hawk; One Son-in-Law, Willie Cole; One Daughter-in-Law, Diane Hawk, one granddaughter, Hazel D. Hawk; four brothers, Dwight Ford, William Wherry, Winston Wherry, and Billy Wherry; three sisters, Laura Harris, Lucy Hawkins, and Francis Clarke.

Hazel leaves to cherish her loving memory her children: two sons, Charles Hawk and Marvin Hawk; and three daughters, JoAnn Hawk Cole, Candies Moye, and Bernice Hawk, all of Huntsville, Alabama. She is also survived by four brothers, Kenneth Wherry (Tia Juana) of Huntsville, Alabama, and Doug Ford, Gary Ford, and Duane Ford of Detroit, Michigan; and six sisters, Josephine Terry (Huntsville, AL) and Geraldine Parks of Chattanooga, Tennessee; Olivia Sumbry of Atlanta, Georgia; Ruby Smith (Nick) of Marietta, Georgia; and Zoe Murphy (Johnny) of Arlington, Texas.

Hazel also leaves behind eighteen grandchildren, twenty-six great-grandchildren, twenty-one great-great grandchildren, a host of nieces and nephews, and a loving extended family.



Order of Service

1 John 2:25 And this is what he promised us- eternal life

Musical Prelude.....Musician

Processional

Opening Prayer.....Cleven Adams

Scripture Readings.....Bishop Carl Pruitt

Musical Selection.....Solo.....Betty Wilson

Reflections (3 minutes, please)

As a Church Member/Mother.....Ola Tibbs

As a Family Member.....Bianca Pressley

Resolution.....Sis. Johnnie Clift

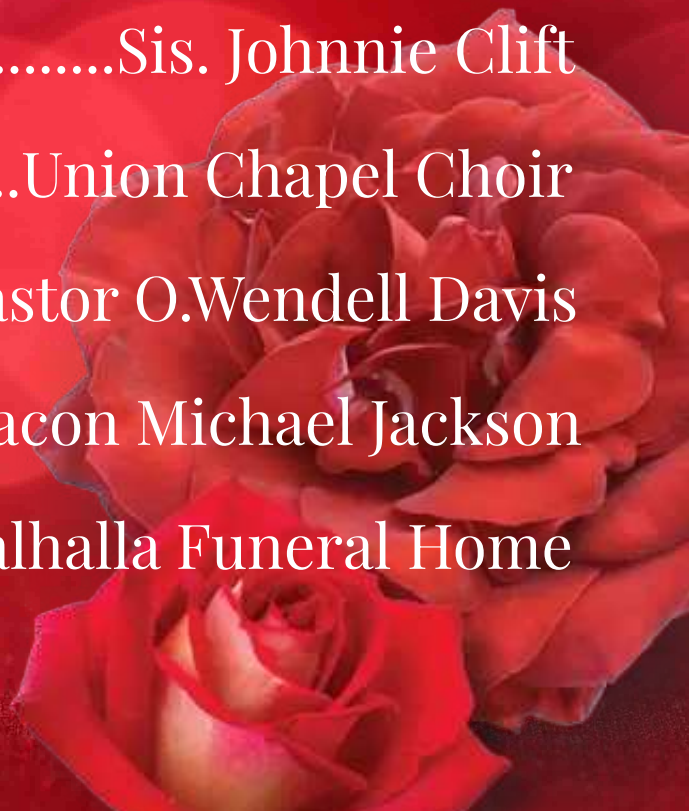
Musical Selection.....Union Chapel Choir

Eulogy.....Pastor O.Wendell Davis

Closing Prayer.....Deacon Michael Jackson

Mortician.....Valhalla Funeral Home

Recessional





Leonard Hawk
August 17, 1950



Joann Hawk
June 7, 1952



Ralph Hawk
July 17, 1953



Charles Hawk
August 12, 1954



Candice Hawk
August 29, 1955



Bernice Hawk
July 18, 1957



Marvin Hawk
October 4, 1958



Sunday

You taught us life the way you cooked— slow, patient, and from the heart. A pinch of love, a dash of truth, never cutting corners, never sparing honesty.

You told me the hard things when I needed them most, even when they stung, because you loved me enough to want me better, stronger, ready.

Now Sunday afternoons come too quiet. No pots clanging, no gentle scolding, no “come sit down” or “taste this for me.” I don’t know what to do with this time without you right here beside me.

In your kitchen, Grandma, I learned more than how to cook. I learned how to care, how to feed a soul, how to make a house feel like home.

Now Sunday afternoons feel unfinished. I don’t know where to sit, what to do with the quiet, without you here calling my name or asking to see my hair or my outfit.

But Grandma Hazel, you live on in me— in every meal made with love, every truth spoken with courage, every lesson I pass on. You may be gone from my sight, but never from my heart, never from my Sundays, never from me.

-RENA



You who knows the Lord, God, Jesus Christ, as your saviour, keep holding on and trusting in him. OKAY, You sinners need to get busy in a hurry because he is coming back again.

Your Mom, Grandma, Great Grandma, Great-great Grandma, Sister, Niece, and Cousin.

LOVE YOU ALL!

- Mom

Pallbearers
Red Cross Lodge #35

Flower Girls
Great grandchildren and great nieces

Honorary Flower Girls
Mothers of Union Chapel

Interment
Valhalla Memory Gardens

Repast
Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church
Boone Lacy Fellowship Hall

Family Acknowledgements
The Hawk family wishes to express our heartfelt gratitude for the prayers, words of comfort, and acts of kindness shown to us during this time of sorrow. Your love and support have strengthened us and reminded us of God's presence and grace. May the Lord bless each of you abundantly.

The family extends special thanks to Affinity Hospice Care for their loving support and devoted care of our dear mother. We are also grateful to Rosabella Olan, Porsha Pope, Brittney Smith, Rick Cantell, and Steve Terrell for their kindness and support.

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Huntsville, AL

