



Michael Mark Hawley

December 16, 1951 - April 24, 2026

Dr. Michael Mark Hawley, 74, of Midland, Texas entered the presence of his Lord and Savior on April 24, 2026. He was born on December 16, 1951 in Washington, Missouri to Dean and Verna Hawley.

Michael received Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior at the young age of five and surrendered to preach at the age of 10. He started serving as Senior Pastor in Baptist Churches at 21. Even though he retired as Senior Pastor 45 years later, he never retired from serving the Lord. He served two churches in Texas as Interim Pastor and his beautiful tenor voice rang out in the choir at First Baptist Church, Midland, Texas until his last Sunday on earth.

Michael lived an exuberant life full of love for his family, his friends, and for his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. He was a gifted teacher who held a deep love of seeing others grow in their knowledge of the Word of God.

Michael was preceded in death by his parents, Dean and Verna Hawley; his brother, Carroll; and two sisters, Becky and Christina Kay.

He is survived by his bride of 53 years, Maryjane; two dearly loved sons, Michael Aaron Hawley (Lauren) and Jonathan Alan Hawley (Heather); four precious grandchildren: Michael Shiloh, Alice Caroline, Wyatt Dean, and Cyrus Levi; two siblings, Patricia Raines (David) and Angela Gray; and many

extended family members who were deeply loved.

A celebration of his life will be at 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, April 30, 2026 in the Chapel at First Baptist Church Midland, Texas with a visitation preceding the service at 9 a.m. with interment at Greenwood Baptist Cemetery. Loved ones may gather in spirit via live stream which will be posted prior to the services.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts can be made to Gideon International or First Baptist Church Missions Fund.

Previous Events

Celebration

APR **30**. 10:30 AM.

First Baptist Church Midland

Tribute Wall

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“*Bro. Michael always had a smile. He loved Jesus so much that it poured out on all around him. He had such an ease sharing the gospel of Jesus with people because it was his story and his passion. He taught me so much in the time as our interim. I look forward to seeing him again.*”

Debra Lewis - April 30 at 03:18 PM

JK

“*Brother Hawley was a light in our church as interim pastor here at College Baptist, he held us together while we waited on God to send us the right man. He was such a delight checking on the desserts and always getting Maryjane her favorite to take home. He baptized my son walking him through the path to salvation and surrender for that we will be eternally grateful. The songs in his heart belted out randomly in the hallways while we prepared meals. I am positive he is now simply sing praise to our Lord! We thank him for his guidance and love.*”

Jennifer Keeton - April 30 at 08:35 AM

WW

“*Pastor Hawley always in a good mood and a smile. Loved and learned so much from his Preaching and teaching. Usually ended his sermon with a hymnal that matched the message. Definitely had a song in his heart.*
after one of his sermons, we all sang All is well with my soul. Love you Maryjane, and Thanks. I can just picture him, singing in God's Choir. And as he said several times, "Do not cry or fill bad for me if I pass away. I am going to be face to face with Jesus in Glory" until we meet again.”

Wayne Wilson - April 29 at 02:49 PM

KD

“ Kaitlin and Trenton Davis purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Michael Mark Hawley.



Kaitlin and Trenton Davis - April 28 at 09:02 PM

JF

“ James and Tracy and family purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Michael Mark Hawley.



James and Tracy and family - April 28 at 08:08 PM

JF

“ James and Tracy and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Mark Hawley.

James and Tracy and family - April 28 at 08:08 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael Mark Hawley.

April 28 at 06:04 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Michael Mark Hawley.



April 28 at 06:04 PM



“ What a blessing it was to have Dr. Hawley as interim Pastor at GBC. His messages were great and he lived what he taught. A great example for us all. I thank God for that time and ask that He comfort the family during this time and in the days ahead.

Esther Jones - April 28 at 05:30 PM



“ Emmanuel Baptist Church, Ruston, LA purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Michael Mark Hawley.



Emmanuel Baptist Church, Ruston, LA - April 28 at 04:40 PM



“ He was a beloved pastor but also truly our best friend. Loved playing Mexican train dominoes with him and Maryjane around the dining room table. Sure going to miss you. Love and prayers to Maryjane, Aaron & Jonathan and their families. F.J. and Marsha

marsha armond - April 28 at 04:00 PM

JP

“ I often visited with Dr. Hawley when he was pastor at Emanuel Baptist Church in Ruston, LA. I volunteered in the ICU Waiting Room at the hospital. Dr. Hawley was often there to minister to his flock or patients who needed a minister. I was impressed by his willingness and devotion to serve others. Praying for his family as I remember a brother in Christ!

James Pilgreen - April 28 at 03:52 PM