

ProcessionalClergy and Family

Opening Hymn
"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"
Second Nazareth Baptist Church Choir

Scripture Readings
Old Testament - Lewis C. Eikner, Jr.
New Testament - Nathaniel Stover

Prayer<a href="https://doi.org/10.5016/j.jup/10.5016/j.

Solo Alvin Jefferson

ReflectionsDeacon Moses Felder

Second Nazareth Baptist Church Choir

Words of Comfort Rev. Johnny Ray Noble, Ph.D., Pastor

Recessional



ACTIVE Pallbearers
Family and Friends

FLOWER Bearers

Second Nazareth Church Family

Expressions of GRATITUDE

We, the family of Victoria Hawkins Eikner would like to express our sincere appreciation, gratitude and love for all of your acts of kindness and support shown to us during this time of bereavement. We have embraced with love and sincere humbleness all of your prayers, words of comfort and positive energy. We thank all of the health care services, family members, church members and staff, and friends who cared and prayed for our mother during her time of need. It is our prayer that the miracles of God the father of our Lord Jesus Christ will wrap His love and life around you.

Peace and Love, The Eikner Family

Final Arrangements
ENTRUSTED TO:

Leevy's Funeral Home 1831 Taylor Street Columbia, SC 29201 (803) 771-7799

INTERMENT

Crescent Hill Memorial Gardens 2606 Two Notch Road Columbia, SC 29204

Funeral Programs Designed by Cedric Stover (713) 922-5282 • cedstover.com



What a Friend We Have in Jesus



These are the words of the favorite song of Victoria Hawkins Eikner, a believer in Christ.

January 16, 1929, Sammie Hawkins, and Rebecca Green Hawkins gave birth to their second child and first daughter, Victoria in Fort Mott, South Carolina. Lizzie Wren Hawkins and Knot Hawkins, her grandparents immediately with open arms brought their granddaughter into their home where she lived until her grandmothers death in 1943.

Victoria attended Cedar Grove School and John Fords High School and in December 1946 met Lewis C. Eikner and married him in January 1947. She was the mother of six children, Lewis Charles Jr. (Lois), Emma Jeanett (Alvin Jefferson), Barbara Lee (Don Thompson), Marie Antionette (Nathaniel Stover), Carlton Eugene (Addie) and Joan Elizabeth. She instilled in all of her children the value of faith and education. She attended PTA meetings, teachers conferences, band recitals, choir programs, senior plays, football games and all activities that her children were involved in. Going to college was a given.

She opened her home regularly to her House of Prayer Family members back during the days of Daddy Grace. She loved to go to the beach and travel with her children. She was a long-time resident of 2210 Harper Street and never wanted to live anywhere else.

Victoria Eikner was a member of Second Nazareth Baptist Church for over 70 years serving as a long-time secretary of the Benevolent Club and ensuring that her children participated in the teachings of Christ. In her later years she joined the YWCA, and Drew Park Senior Center. Her favorite song was, What a Friend We Have in Jesus.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, grandparents, brother, Sammie Hawkins Jr., sister, Flossie Jamison, and grandsons, Stafone Jefferson and Kevin Jefferson.

She leaves to mourn her sister Lizzie Mae Hawkins Geddis; Brother Roy Rogers Hawkins; six children; three son in laws, two daughter in laws, seven grandchildren, Travis, Michelle, Yuri, Cedric (Jennifer Stover), Jason, Alexandra (Kevin Sampson) and Devon; nine great- grandchildren; five great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, special friend and caregivers, Linda Keels. Her long-time neighbors of whom she loved includes Sandra Sharp, Billy Patterson, Carl and Marietha Frederick, and Simon and Janifer Squire.

In lieu of flowers the family request that you donate in honor of Victoria Eikner, to the Second Nazareth Baptist Church, Scholarship and Education Fund, 2300 Elmwood Avenue, Columbia, South Carolina 29204.





Ode to Victoria Hawkins Eikner © by Barbara Eikner Thompson

When roses bud, bloom and rebloom
When Azaleas show their dressy selves year after year
When apples ripen and under the weight of life falls to the ground
No one questions their color, smell, sight, or sound.

But life us is also a renewal, and children and grandchildren are born
But life has tears, laughter, joy, meanness, kindness, and pain
But life has a beginning and an end
Yes, we question why, what for and when.

My mother knows there is another place waiting for her tender spirit

My mother will not rush in but cautiously look around

My mother will see forms, touch warm rays and sense arms of love she once knew

Rejoicing she embraces the spirit of her best Friend, caring, loving and true.

She has joined the ancestors, elders, the Christ and his Father.

Peace and love

