



***Mary Lovenia Sonnier Hawkins***

February 17, 1980 - December 4, 2023

**Mass of Christian Burial**

Monday, December 11, 2023 11:00 a.m.

St. Louis Catholic Church

Winnie, Texas

Processional

*“Be Not Afraid”*

## **GATHERING RITE**

### **GREETING AND BLESSING OF THE BODY**

As a reminder of Patrick’s Baptism, her casket has been sprinkled with Baptismal water. Then, a pall, recalling the white garment of her Baptism, is placed on the casket.

*“If we have died with Christ, we are also to live with Christ in glory.”*

Opening Prayer

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

First Reading

Isaiah 25:6a, 7-9

Responsorial Psalm                  Psalm 23

Response: “The Lord is my Shepherd; there is nothing I shall want”

Second Reading

II Timothy 4:7-8

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Reading

John 14:1-6

Homily

Prayer of the Faithful

Response: *“Lord, hear our prayer.”*

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts	<i>“You Are Mine”</i>
Eucharistic Acclamations	Holy, Holy, Holy Mystery of Faith Great Amen
Communion Rite	The Lord’s Prayer Sign of Peace Lamb of God
Communion	<i>“One Bread, One Body”</i>
Meditation	<i>“I Can Only Imagine”</i>
Prayer After Communion	

## FINAL COMMENDATION

Invitation of Prayer

Song of Farewell:

**PRESIDER:** Saints of God, come to her aid. Hasten to meet her angels of the Lord.

**ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.**

**PRESIDER:** May Christ, who called you, take you to Himself, and may the angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

**ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.**

**PRESIDER:** Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

**ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HER SOUL AND PRESENT HER TO GOD THE MOST HIGH.**

Prayer of Commendation

PROCESSION TO PLACE OF COMMITTAL

Recessional *“Amazing Grace”*



**Mary Lovenia Sonnier Hawkins**, 43, of Winnie, died December 4, 2023. She was born on February 17, 1980, in Galveston, to Ruby and Herbert Sonnier.

Mary graduated from East Chambers in 1998. She went to Prairie View A&M University and graduated with her bachelor's degree in social work. She worked as a case manager and also as a teacher at a High School teaching artistic classes.

Survivors include her loving mother, Ruby Sonnier; loving husband, Michael Hawkins; son, Lenden Paul Axel; broth-

ers, Derrick Sonnier (Kimberly), Lawrence Smith (Pricilla), Mike Perkins, Sr., and Herrera Shinette; sisters, Sandra Johnson (Joel), Kathy Hubert (Alvin), and Marissa Robinson, Kristen Smith, Stacey Smith, Theresa Robinson, Ava Wrice, Trina Carreon (Eleazor), and Carla Bazile (Sam); godparents, Alfred James Guillory, and Doreen Guillory; godchildren, Kordell David, Payton Anderson, Sevn Anderson; and a host of loving family and friends.

She is preceded in death by her father, Herbert Sonnier; brother, Charles Perkins, Sr.; sisters, Stephanie Smith and Tammy Smith; maternal grandparents, Bee and Mary Guillory, Sr.; paternal grandparents, John and Lovenia Sonnier; and cousins, Bobby Ward and Maverick Ward.

Psalm 23

*“The Lord is my Shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.”*









There are two primary choices in life:  
to accept conditions as they exist,  
or accept the responsibility for changing them.

















### The Broken Chain

*We didn't know that morning that God was going to call your name. In life we loved you dearly; in death we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you; you did not go alone; for part of us went with you, the day God called you home. You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our guide, and though we cannot see you, you are always by our side. Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same, but as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.*



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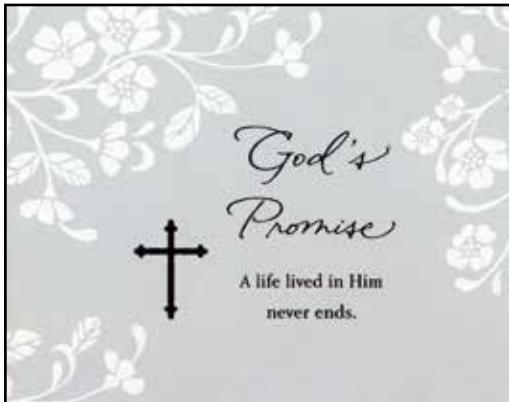
- Celebrant Father Julius Agah
- Con-Celebrant Father Phillip Tran
- Placing of the Pall Kathy Hubert, Lorraine Burkes, Shalandra Guillory, Keirra Anderson
- Pallbearers Albert Sonnier, Jeffrey Ward, Curtis Guillory Nate Burkes, Ronald Joseph, Mike Perkins, Jr.
- Honorary Pallbearers Alfred Guillory, Herbert Sonnier, Bobby Ward Joseph Guillory, Daniel LeDay, Edmond King, Sr. Clayton Stelly, Kordell David, Payton Anderson Alvin Hubert
- Gift Bearers Treivon Stelly, Evelyn LeDay, Lisa White Ashley Hickman, Brianne Sonnier
- Lectors Kimberly Sonnier, Cynthia Guillory
- Eucharistic Ministers Rose Stelly, Gilbert Simien

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**Interment**

Fairview Cemetery  
Winnie, Texas

Words cannot express how grateful the family of Mary Sonnier-Hawkins is for your generous support, encouraging words, and thoughts and prayers. Thank you for thinking of us in our time of need.



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