



Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins

September 21, 1946 - January 3, 2025

It is with deep sorrow that the Watkins family announces the death of their beloved mother, Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins, 78.

Mrs. Watkins, the widow of Marion D. Watkins Jr., entered into rest on Friday, January 3, 2025. The Directors of Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home & Crematory are caring for the family.

A funeral service to honor her life will be held at 2 o'clock on Monday, January 6, 2025, at New Market United Methodist Church. The Rev. Corinthia Mack will officiate, and The Rev. Dora Gafford will deliver the eulogy, and burial will follow in the church cemetery. The family will receive friends in the Sanctuary immediately following the burial.

Memorials may be made in her honor to New Market United Methodist Church, 1909 W. Old Camden Road, Hartsville, SC 29550.

Mrs. Watkins was born on September 21, 1946, in Darlington County, SC. She is the daughter of the late Olin Bert Lawhon and the late Nica Johnson Lawhon.

Margie was a Former President of the National Majorette Association, Miss World Majorette 1964, and World's Talent Winner. She was also the co-owner

of Dance World, Instructor for over 150 World, National, and State title holders, and Chairperson of Media for the Miss SC Pageant. She held positions at New Market Church, including Chairperson of the Administrative Council, Lay Delegate to the Annual Conference, Mission and Outreach Chair, Chairperson of Evangelism, Lay Speaker, Lay Servant, Choir Director, Youth Director, and Sunday School teacher for over 50 years.

She is survived by her daughters, Mica Watkins Saxton and Marlo Watkins (Bernard Scott) Hughey, all of Hartsville, SC; grandchildren, Sean (Alex) Hughey, Eric Hughey, Monica Saxton (Trent Birch), Lee Saxton, and Leland Saxton; great-grandchildren, Lucien Hughey, and Jansen Hughey.

In addition to her parents and her late husband, she was preceded in death by her brother, Johnny Olin Lawhon; son-in-law, Monte Lee Saxton.

Cemetery Details

New Market United Methodist Church Cemetery

1909 W. Old Camden Rd.
Hartsville, SC

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JAN 6. 2:00 PM (ET)

New Market United Methodist Church
1909 W. Old Camdlen Rd.
Hartsville, SC

Tribute Wall

MN

“ Thoughts and Prayers and My Condolences going up for all the Family and Friends and her Students .



MELISSA Newsome - January 15, 2025 at 03:17 PM

KL

“ Kathy Lawhon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins



Kathy Lawhon - January 14, 2025 at 10:00 PM

SM

“ Susan G Mills sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins



Susan G Mills - January 14, 2025 at 06:30 PM

SM

We grew up with Margie and her brother Johnnie. May she soar in Heaven as she did here on earth.

Susan G Mills - January 14, 2025 at 06:33 PM

HG

“ Our deepest sympathy and sincere prayers for the family of this precious lady.
To say she will be missed is a tremendous understatement. Truly one of a kind, Margie touched so many lives and will live in the memories of all who knew her. May God comfort, strengthen and sustain you in the blessed hope of eternity with loved ones. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.
Hal Gaymon

Hal and Susan Gaymon - January 07, 2025 at 10:25 PM

DL

“ Mica, Marlo and family
I am so sorry to for the loss of your wonderful mother. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Dena Lucas - January 07, 2025 at 10:02 AM

KM

“ Kay Ludrick Miller lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins



Kay Ludrick Miller - January 07, 2025 at 06:51 AM

JR

“ James And Dorothy Rivers lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins



James and Dorothy Rivers - January 07, 2025 at 01:22 AM

KG

“ *She will be missed dearly Prayers for all the family and friends*

Ken & Gay - January 06, 2025 at 05:52 PM

LS

“ *To all the family ,, I am so sorry to hear about Margie,, she was a sweet lady and she will be missed by many... the last time I talked with her was at church when they had Hal Gaymon there to speak... Praying for all during this time.*



Linda Stevens - January 06, 2025 at 03:26 PM

DS

“ *Mica and Marlo so sorry for your loss Kennilyn and I will never forget the memories we have made with your mother over the years through dance , baton, and recitals she was special*



Diane Steen - January 06, 2025 at 01:16 PM

SS

“ *I'm so sorry to hear about Margie. Praying for you both to have comfort and guidance through this. Your mom was a special beautiful and so kind hearted. We had great times in Sunday School. Studying the Bible and learning about each other and how we related with God in our lives. She was a wonderful teacher and the memories will always be in my heart. Your in our thoughts and prayers* ❤️

Sally Smith - January 06, 2025 at 01:05 PM

LN

“ There is no way to sum up what Margie and her family meant to me. She was was an amazing Lady and I was privileged to have spent many years growing up with her leadership in my life. I am very thankful to have had the opportunity to dance with her and Johnny and loved every minute of it. I will miss her! She and Johnny are dancing in Heaven now! What a reunion is going on! And I 'll just say 5 6 7 8! Love and prayers lifting her family now and in the days ahead. ❤️

Lynn Newsom - January 06, 2025 at 12:13 PM

VK

“ Margie was such a talented girl. She was an amazing dancer. I loved the duets she did with her brother. Johnny. She will be missed by everyone who knew her. Prayers for her family.



Vicki Killen - January 06, 2025 at 11:07 AM

BP

“ Billy And Linda Price lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins



Billy and Linda Price - January 06, 2025 at 08:40 AM

SJ

“ Mica, Marlo and Family, I'm so sorry for the loss of your mother. Margie was such a classy lady, full of love and personality. She was truly a beautiful soul and will be missed by many. Terry and I are keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers. Sending lots of love.



Sheila Johnson - January 06, 2025 at 12:49 AM

KJ

“ I truly hate to hear this. She will be missed by so many people. I'll keep the family in my prayers.

Kaley Johnson - January 05, 2025 at 10:40 PM

GO

“ Mica, Marlo and family, I am deeply sorry to hear about Margie's passing. She was one remarkable lady who will be missed by all who knew her. Always reflect back on the memories you cherished with Margie, they will last a lifetime.



Grady L O'Neal - January 05, 2025 at 06:05 PM

LL

“ Such a beautiful lady inside and out
Prayers for our God to wrap his loving arms around
Her sweet family and hold you all tight today
and the days to come



Lawrence & Cindy Lowe - January 05, 2025 at 06:04 PM

CG

“ *Connee Gamble Grantham lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Connee Gamble Grantham - January 05, 2025 at 05:01 PM

VN

“ *Vickie And David Newsome lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Vickie and David Newsome - January 05, 2025 at 04:31 PM

JK

“ *I am so very sorry to hear about Margie. She was a wonderful and talented person with personality plus. We were in musicals together in high school and have many fond memories. My deepest sympathy to her family.*



JoFrieda Kelley - January 05, 2025 at 04:30 PM

TW

“ *Sending Prayers for the family*



Travis Winburn - January 05, 2025 at 04:23 PM

TR

“ Mrs. Margie was an extraordinary woman who held a special place in my heart. Mica and Marlo, my thoughts are with you and your families during this difficult time. Sending all my love.



Tiffany Rapp - January 05, 2025 at 04:20 PM

CB

“ Keeping all of you in my prayers through this hard time. Ms. Margie was an absolute gem. Her sweet spirit and wonderful smile will be missed. Sending love ❤️

Courtney Barfield Bailey - January 05, 2025 at 03:42 PM

KW

“ Kenny Wood lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins



Kenny Wood - January 05, 2025 at 03:03 PM

CC

“ So many fun and wonderful memories of baton competitions and travels together! I'm thinking of all of those times with Margie, Marion and both of you girls! Those were the best years ever! Love you and sending hugs and prayers! I will be there in heart and spirit tomorrow!

Carol Atkins Carlyon - January 05, 2025 at 02:29 PM

DH

“ *Debby Hemby-Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Debby Hemby-Smith - January 05, 2025 at 02:26 PM

MG

“ *Praying for strength and comfort during this time and peace in the days to come for you all*
🙏 *Lots of love, Marie Gardner* ❤️



Marie Gardner - January 05, 2025 at 02:17 PM

FG

“ *Frances Griggs sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Frances Griggs - January 05, 2025 at 01:22 PM

MG

“ *Mitchell And Jackie Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Mitchell And Jackie Gainey - January 05, 2025 at 01:19 PM

MB

“ *Melinda Byrd sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Melinda Byrd - January 05, 2025 at 12:20 PM

WC

“ *Wanda Collins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Wanda Collins - January 05, 2025 at 11:31 AM

WC

We have so many fond memories of Margie at dance world with my kids and my grandkids one sweet lady she'll be missed

Wanda Collins - January 05, 2025 at 11:32 AM

JG

“ *Mica, Marlo, and Family;
Margie was such a gracious lady that added a touch of class to the Hartsville community, and beyond.
Sending prayers for your family.*



Jean and William Gullede - January 05, 2025 at 10:57 AM

GG

“ Prayers for family and friends!



Gene and Teresa Gibson - January 05, 2025 at 10:26 AM

BM

“ Margie was such a lovely lady, a wonderful smile. She will be greatly missed at New Market Church. Prayers for Family and friends.

Bubba morrison - January 05, 2025 at 09:59 AM

RT

“ Heaven has gained another beautiful angel. I attended her dance and baton classes for many years. She had the sweetest smile and caring nature. I send warm prayers to her family and friends. May our father in heaven give you the peace that surpasses all understanding to face the days ahead. What a beautiful soul Margie was. It was a joy to have known her and love her.



Roberta Timmons - January 05, 2025 at 09:17 AM

LS

“ Larry Stewart lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins



Larry Stewart - January 05, 2025 at 08:25 AM

LS

“ *Such a lovely friend. Condolences to the family.*

Larry Stewart - January 05, 2025 at 08:24 AM

VN

“ *Vickie And David Newsome lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Vickie and David Newsome - January 05, 2025 at 08:20 AM

KM

“ *Kathy Moore lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Kathy Moore - January 05, 2025 at 08:11 AM

RA

“ *Our prayers are with you all. Margie was a talented and kind Christian woman. She had such a fun laugh and outlook on life.*
Robin and George Atkins

Robin and George Atkins - January 05, 2025 at 08:08 AM

RW

“ Ron Wall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins



Ron Wall - January 05, 2025 at 07:54 AM

SS

“ Shirley Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins



Shirley Smith - January 05, 2025 at 07:09 AM

HW

“ Hettie Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins



Hettie Wilkerson - January 05, 2025 at 05:44 AM

SS

“ Shelene Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins



Shelene Smith - January 04, 2025 at 11:36 PM

SS

I've so enjoyed knowing Margie through the Lawhon family. So many memories I have., but the ones that stand out the most is the many years I watched you, Johnny, your Mama and all those children dance. You were so loved by all and will greatly missed!

Shelene Smith - January 04, 2025 at 11:40 PM

AS

“ *Al & Melinda Sansbury lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Al & Melinda Sansbury - January 04, 2025 at 09:34 PM

CS

“ *Thank you for all the wonderful memories! Heaven gain an angel!*



Cindy Self - January 04, 2025 at 08:39 PM

DS

“ *Diane Steen lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Diane Steen - January 04, 2025 at 08:33 PM

BS

“ *Bill Sherrill lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Bill Sherrill - January 04, 2025 at 08:28 PM

ES

“ *Elizabeth Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Elizabeth Smith - January 04, 2025 at 08:19 PM

GD

“ *Gloria DuRant lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Gloria DuRant - January 04, 2025 at 08:17 PM

CH

“ *Mica & Marlo love you both.*

Chellie - January 04, 2025 at 08:16 PM

BT

“ *Betty Huggins Turner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Betty Huggins Turner - January 04, 2025 at 08:11 PM

BB

“ *Brittany Blackwell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Brittany Blackwell - January 04, 2025 at 07:58 PM

PF

“ *Patricia Franklin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Patricia Franklin - January 04, 2025 at 07:34 PM

LS

“ *Lavonde Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Lavonde Smith - January 04, 2025 at 07:10 PM

AR

“ *She was a sweet person and a great tap and baton teacher! I will never forget her! Sending prayers for you, Mica and Marlo.*

Angie Kelley Raines - January 04, 2025 at 06:44 PM

DE

“ *Diane Euten sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Diane Euten - January 04, 2025 at 06:35 PM

DE

Mica, Marlo and family, Your Mama was such an inspiration to me and so many others. She was a beautiful christian woman..we will miss her so much. She is dancing in heaven and rejoicing. Continued prayers for you all.

Diane Euten - January 04, 2025 at 06:45 PM

LW

“ *Lisa O'Tuel Williamson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Lisa O'Tuel Williamson - January 04, 2025 at 06:28 PM



“ Family, Margie was a beautiful friend and Christian woman! Both of my children took tap/tumbling from her and Johnny! She will be missed but I'm sure she is dancing in Heaven! Our deepest condolences.

Ervin and Jackie Gibson

Jackie Gibson - January 04, 2025 at 06:25 PM



SB

“ I am so sorry about your loss. Praying for family and friends.

Sharon Byram - January 04, 2025 at 06:21 PM



MD

“ Family, she was a great , beautiful Christian woman. I loved her and I know she is happy in heaven. She will be missed on earth for now.

Marcia Deshazo - January 04, 2025 at 06:08 PM

MD

“ Marcia Deshazo lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins

Marcia Deshazo - January 04, 2025 at 06:05 PM



RS

“ *Rebecca Skinner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Rebecca Skinner - January 04, 2025 at 05:54 PM

DG

“ *Sorry for your loss Mica and Marlo we will be praying for the family. Raymond.,Darren,and Crystal Gainey*



Darren and Crystal Gainey - January 04, 2025 at 05:54 PM



“ *This community has lost a great lady we will all miss her but will remember all the wonderful memories we have God bless prayers for the family*



Crystal Minnehan - January 04, 2025 at 05:28 PM

SC

“ *Susan Braddock Clemmons lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Susan Braddock Clemmons - January 04, 2025 at 05:12 PM

CH

“ *Connie Holley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins*



Connie Holley - January 04, 2025 at 05:03 PM

EC

“ *Mica my thoughts and prayers are going up for strength and love for all of you during this time. Love you Lenny and Elaine*



Elaine and Lenny Carpenter - January 04, 2025 at 05:03 PM

SC

“ *So sorry prayers for you all 🙏*

Sandra Crowley - January 04, 2025 at 04:34 PM

JG

“ *Margie was such a special friend and always catching up on our children and grandchildren when we would run into one another's .Mica Marlo so many prayers for you and your family. Jewel and Krystal*

Jewel Walters Gibson - January 04, 2025 at 04:23 PM

DS

“ Mica thinking of you and the family



Danny and Phoebe Stokes - January 04, 2025 at 04:20 PM

JG

“ Jewel Walters Gibson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Margie Lawhon Watkins



Jewel Walters Gibson - January 04, 2025 at 04:17 PM

SG

“ Mica and Marlo, sending my love and prayers to you both and your families. This is such a tremendous shock to all of us and I can't begin to imagine how you all are getting through this. I am here if you need me. There is so much love and support from New Market UMC, Hartsville and this entire community for your entire family. I love you all!

Susie Goode - January 04, 2025 at 04:02 PM