## Vanda Hawkins Hager

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Vanda Hawkins Hager, age 70, left her earthly home for her Heavenly Home on Friday, November 14, 2014. She was a native of Gaston County, the daughter of the late Fred Lee and Georgia Payne Hawkins of Stanley. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Fred Lee Hawkins, Jr., of Columbia, Tn. Vanda was a graduate of Stanley High School and Kings Business College, an employee of J.P. Stephens of Stanley, and served many years as secretary for the First Methodist Church, Belmont, where she also taught a sign language class for the pre-school classes. She was a faithful Christian and lifetime member of Alexis Baptist Church, serving in many capacities, using her many talents and sweet spirit for her Lord, church, family, and others.

She is survived by her loving and caring husband of 50 years, Wayne Alfred Hager; a son, Tony Hager of Stanley; a daughter, Kelly Ann Robinson and husband Phillip of Fairview, NC; a brother, Raymond Hawkins and wife Ruth of Lewisville, NC; two sisters, Mollie H. High and husband James of Gastonia, and Shirley H. Elmore of Rock Hill, SC; five grandchildren, Noah Hager of Fort Stewart, Ga., Caleb Hager of Stanley, Kelsey, Theodore, and Zayne Robinson all of Fairview, NC; and many beloved nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

A service to celebrate Vanda's life will be held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 18, 2014, at Alexis Baptist Church with Reverend Dr. Sandy Marks officiating. Burial will follow in the Church Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tuesday at the Church. Memorials may be made to the W.M.U. Alexis Baptist Church, 118 Alexis Church Road, Alexis, NC 28006 or to Hospice & Palliative Care Lincoln County, 900 Dontia Drive, Lincolnton, NC 28092. Woodlawn Funeral Home, Mount Holly is serving the family.

