



THE SALVATION ARMY
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Official Notice



PROMOTED TO GLORY

Lt Colonel Noela Dawkins

20 November 1937 – 21 March 2023

Lt Colonel Noela Dawkins was Promoted to Glory at 5am on Tuesday 21 March 2023, aged 85 years of age, and entered her eternal reward, with Jesus walking her home after faithfully serving for 61 years, 2 month, 14 days in Officership.

*The Master said to Noela 'Well done, good and faithful servant.
You have been faithful Enter into the joy of your master.'* Matthew 25:23

Our love and prayers along with our heartfelt sympathy covers and surrounds Lyndon, Peter, Kevan and Astrid, Joanne and all her grandchildren Caleb and Hayley, Nathanael, Isaiah, and Azael.

The Life of Lt Colonel Noela

Noela was born on the 20 November 1937. Noela and Alfred entered The Salvation Army Training College on the 17 March 1961 as cadets in the "Soldiers of Christ" Session. Following her commissioning on 7 January 1963, Noela was appointed to the Macksville Corps

Noela Joy nee Luhrs married Alfred John Dawkins. They were blessed with 4 children Lyndon, Peter, Kevan and Joanne and later 5 grandchildren Caleb, Elijah, Nathanael, Isaiah, and Azael Dawkins to Kevan and Astrid.

Noela and Alfred had many appointments that followed during their officership; 1963 they were appointed to Macksville Corps in New South Wales, then in 1964 began the Flying Padre ministry from the Longreach Corps in Queensland, then in 1971 to the Grafton Corps in New South Wales. In 1974 they were appointed to the Sandgate Corps in Queensland until 1977 when they were appointed to the Gold Coast Temple Corps in Queensland.

Farewell orders came in 1979 when they found themselves changing fields from Corps Ministry into the Public Relations Department in Sydney in New South Wales and then in 1983 Noela and Alf were appointed as the Corps Officers again to the Earlwood Corps in New South Wales. From Earlwood they were then appointed back into the social ministry to Juvenile Correctional Services Chaplain in 1985 and then Foster House Complex in Sydney from 1991 until their retirement in 1996.

Shortly after retirement Alfred passed away and Noela moved back to Queensland and continued to minister to others and attend to the special needs of her family. She enjoyed prayer, encouraging others and gardening. Her family, grateful for her life, will feel her loss deeply.

A Funeral Service of Thanksgiving & Celebration of Noela's life will be held on:

Date: Friday 31 March 2023
Time: 2pm
Location: Stafford Salvation Army,
Hayward Street, Brisbane, Qld

For those who may want to contact the family during this time, please see the following contact information:

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The family would like to take this opportunity to thank you all who were a blessing to Noela's Life. The family would also like to extend to you an invitation that if you would like to send a message onto them, please do this by email.

Cheryl Carpenter (Lt Colonel)

Retired Officers Support Secretary – Australia
On behalf of **The Secretary for Personnel**