



John Simmons

April 16, 1924 - May 1, 2011

Funeral services for Mr. John S. Simmons will be conducted Wednesday Afternoon 2 o? clock at Ivey Baptist Church Burial will follow at Snow Hill Cemetery with Military honors. Visitation will be at Williams Funeral Home of Gordon on Tuesday, May 3, 2011 from 6 PM to 8 PM. John Sidney Simmons, Jr., passed away peacefully at a hospice facility in Dublin, Georgia, on Sunday, May 1, 2011, surrounded by his loving family. Mr. Simmons was born in Eatonton, Georgia, on April 16, 1924 to the late John Sidney Simmons, Sr. and Elsie Knight Simmons. After completing high school, Mr. Simmons enlisted in the U. S. Navy and served during World War II in the Pacific Theater aboard the destroyer U.S.S. Albert W. Grant (DD 649) and was involved in several major battles in the South Pacific with the largest being the Battle of Leyte Gulf. The ship suffered 22 hits and during one battle, lost all power with 33 men killed and 104 wounded. He also served on the U.S.S. PGM 21, a mine sweeper, which destroyed a total of 347 mines all over the South Pacific. He achieved the rank of Quartermaster 2/C, U.S. Navy. Upon returning to the United States after the war, he received his education at North Georgia College in Dahlonega, Georgia. After graduation, he began his career in accounting at J.P. Stevens in Milledgeville, Georgia, where he met his beloved wife, Glenda (Youngblood) Simmons. Later he became head of accounting at Meadows Industries in Milledgeville. John and Glenda were married on January 1, 1958. Mr. Simmons is survived by his wife of 53 years, Glenda Y. Simmons, his children, Steve (Mary Sue) Simmons of Kennesaw, Georgia, Daphne (Chuck) Gilley and Jeffrey Scott Simmons of Gordon, Georgia; brother, Shelly (Helen) Simmons of Warner Robins, Georgia, sister, Joan Simmons of Milledgeville, Georgia, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren and mother-in-law, Minnie Lee Youngblood, of Gordon, Georgia. He was preceded in death by his mother and father John Sidney and Elsie Knight Simmons Sr., and sister, Kathryn Simmons. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Serenity Hospice, 2601 N. Columbia Street, Suite F., Milledgeville, GA 31061; Alzheimer?s Association Georgia Chapter, 41 Perimeter Center East, Suite 550, Atlanta, GA 30346 or American Heart Association, P.O. Box 840692; Dallas, TX 75284 or online at Heart.org.

Tribute Wall

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“ *We are so sorry for your loss, you are in our prayers*

Wayne and sylvia Moore of 163 Ellis Mill Rd. Milledgeville GA 31061 - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Mrs. Simmons, Steve, Daphne and Jeffrey I was deeply saddened to hear of Mr. Simmons passing. He was a very nice man. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Freddie Welch of 166 Spring Rd SE Eatonton GA 31024 - May 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *after all this time i was reading all the deaths on my computer and i saw mr. simmons picture, didnt realize it was him until i saw the picture.he always did our taxes at h&r block. he was a fine man.lisa and lindsey wood*

LISA AND LINDSEY WOOD of 472 kings road milledgewville ga. 31061 - May 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

J3

“ *To the Simmons family: Jim and I are so saddened at the loss of Mr. Simmons. It was our great pleasure to meet him a year or so ago. I know that you will all miss him. He will forever be in your hearts and memories. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers and that we are here for you when you need us.*

Jim and Wanda Reynolds of 1585 Northcliff Trace Roswell GA 30076 - May 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *With our deepest sympathy in your loss. We always enjoyed seeing him at church and we will miss his smiling face.*

Tony and Susan Budrys of 110 Paula Drive Ivey GA 31031 - May 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dear Glenda and Family: We are sorry to hear of John's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May the Love of God, Family and Friends give you support in this time of loss. Sincerely The McCooks (Mary Frances, Mark & Luann, Lisa & Gene)*

Lisa Purvis of 379Hwy 57 Macon GA 31217 - May 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ May God grant you strength and courage. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Please accept our condolences.

Milly & Harry Day - May 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM

K3

“ Steve and Mary Sue, You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers today.

Kristi Noble of 20 Riverside Ct Cartersville Ga 30120 - May 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

E3

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during these difficult days. Mr. John was a special fellow and will be missed by all that knew him. Peace, love and blessings!

Ethel & Gerald Beck of 1165 Fred Hall Road Gordon GA 31031 - May 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Mrs. Glenda, Daphney, Steve, & Jeff, I am so sorry to hear of Mr. John's passing. I know that he is with our Lord. I have many warm thoughts of your family and the good times that we all had growing up. Please know that I will keep each of you in my prayers and thoughts. Love, Tracey

Tracey Blizzard Snow - May 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ Steve, Daphney, Jeff and Mrs Glenda I am so sad to hear Of Mr John's passing. He was a sweet friend and I will cherish the fond memories of high school and being a part of your family. You are all in my prayers. Much love and many blessings.

Glenda Brookins Chandler - May 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I thought the world of Mr. Simmons and really enjoyed working with him all those years at H&R Block. He was such a wonderful man and he really adored his family.

Terry & Betty Holloway of 275 Torrance Road Milledgeville Ga 31061 - May 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ Glenda and Family - So sorry to learn of John's death. My prayers are with each of you. He was a special person that will be missed by all.

Janet Osborne - May 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Steve and Mary Sue, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. We pray that Gods Holy Spirit will give you all peace and comfort. Love, Howard & Suzanne Thomas*

Howard Thomas - May 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM