



Bobby Simmons

August 24, 1951 - March 29, 2014

Obituary of Bobby Simmons

Bobby Simmons, 62, of Center Hill, FL, died Saturday, March 29, 2014 at Center Hill, FL. He was born August 24, 1951 in Bushnell, FL. Mr. Simmons was a member and past minister of the Bushnell Church of Christ, member of the American Legion, on the Center Hill City Council, and a Volunteer Firefighter for Center Hill. He also served as a Staff Sergeant in the United States Army during Vietnam and then served in the National Guard. He was a loving husband of 35 years, wonderful dad, brother, Pa-Paw, uncle, and friend. Mr. Simmons enjoyed fishing, working, loved his co-workers, and spending time with his family. This great man will be missed by all that knew him.

He is survived by his wife, Linda Simmons of Center Hill, FL; sons, David (Poppy) Simmons of Sumterville, FL, and Greg (Mallory) Simmons of Center Hill, FL; daughters, Annie Simmons of Mascotte, FL, and Elizabeth Simmons of Center Hill, FL; 11 grandchildren; brothers, Hubert (Joy) Simmons, Jr. of New Port Richey, FL, and twin brother, Billy (Daphne) Simmons of Bushnell, FL; sister, Lois Gray of Center Hill, FL; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by many sisters and brothers.

Visitation

A Visitation will be held at the Purcell Funeral Home Chapel, Bushnell, on Thursday, April 3, 2014 from 10 am - 12 pm.

Services

Services will follow at 12:00 pm with Minister Glenn Frazier presiding.

Interment

Interment will follow at Center Hill Cemetery with Military Honors.

Tribute Wall

MW

“ Has it really been almost 10 years already? I miss you still papaw. I hope you're doing well in heaven and I hope you're proud of me. I'm not much of a Christian or church-goer anymore but I still pray with hopes that you can hear me. I'll always remember the long weekends, sleepovers, and days after soccer practice. I still slow down whenever I pass your chair in the kitchen, half expecting you to wrap me up in a hug before I can pass by. I still remember everything; the good things, the bad things. The serious talks, you helping me with my math homework, you teaching me to play solitaire (I still can't play right), playing go-fish, the many sunburns that required aloe vera from out back, the times that your kids (my mom included) had a few to many and we told them all about it the next day. Sometimes it's really hard to look back on my early childhood because all of it involves you. You were the core of the first 10 years of my life and I wouldn't trade it for the world. I love you, thank you for giving me the strength to always keep going.

Makayla Wagner - February 18, 2024 at 01:25 AM

LF

“ Sorry for the loss of your brother(Lois) he was a great man who baptized me and let me know that Jesus meets you where you are not where you've been... Heaven bound no doubt.

Lynn & Family - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ I was deeply saddened to hear this news. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Uncle Bobby was greatly Loved and will be missed dearly.

Melanie Parker - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ *Uncle Bobby, you will be greatly missed. Thank you for always being there when I was growing up.*

Lewis Riggs Jr - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ *Bob, The Man, The Myth, The Legend... This statement is so true and perfect for a man whom I had the honor of becoming his daughter-n-law. He was a God fearing man full of love, honor, and compassion. Heaven received one of our best. He is and will always be missed. I love you papaw and wish I could have one more of those great big hugs.*

Poppy Simmons - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *Linda, Dave, Annie, Elizabeth, Greg...I truly have no words. He was one of the best. I actually to this day attribute him as being the person who sat me down, and talked to me in a way that he knew i wasnt just hearing his words but truly listening to his words. It was his words that got me to straighten up, return to school and be the person I am today. For that I will always be grateful. Its been a few years since Ive been home or spent time with you all but please know that I love you all very deeply and wish I could be there with you. But please remember these words spoken to me by Bobby after I lost my own dad a few years back, he told me that it was ok to cry because I missed him but to smile because I knew that we would be together again one day.*

Michelle Clendenney - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ I am deeply sorry for your loss Elizabeth. I didn't know your dad, but I feel like I did through all your stories. Sending lots of prayers for you and your family. Luv u ❤️❤️❤️

Donna Kornegay - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ I prayed that my brother could let me know somehow that we all would be ok without him here with us, this is the message i received, I must go leave you for a little while, Please do not not grieve and shed wild tears, and hug your sorrow to you through the years, but start out bravely with a smile, and for my sake and in my name, live on and do all things the the same. feed not your loneliness on empty days, but feel each waking hour in useful ways, reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer, and i in turn , will comfort you and hold you near, and never, never, be afraid to die for i am waiting for you in the sky. other then Jesus Christ he is the greatest man that i have ever known, my brother BOBBY SIMMONS!

Lois Gray - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ You will be missed, dad. I never got the chance to really know you and we never got a chance to go fishing together (I know you wanted to take me out on a fishing trip). You are the first person that I could ever call dad, and I will greatly miss all the things you could have taught me. I promise you though, that I will take great care of your daughter Elizabeth, and I that I will love her forever. I love and miss you, dad. And I will keep the memory of you with me forever

Roy Paulsen - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ We will hold you and your family in our hearts and prayers.

Joe DeBlasio - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ thank you for your service to our country sir.fly proud.

David Pyle - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Bobby will be greatly missed,he was a awsome person,husband and father,the angels will now take good care of him,RIP

Jennifer Medina - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ I hear the voices of many angels sing and I hear the cry of longing hearts Psalm 116:15 Precious is the sight of the Lord: Is the death of his saints

Sam & Angela Taylor - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Bobby Simmons

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