



## Rose Sims

November 12, 2011

Obituary of Dr. Rose Sims

Dr. Rose Grindheim Sims

Wife of James Sims, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, teacher, minister, evangelist, author, lecturer, friend, associate, loved by all, missed by many.

Family:

husband: James (Jim) E. Sims Sr, 966 Luna Lane, The Villages, FL 32159  
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Brother: Fred Voetmann, Oregon

Brother: David Voetmann, Seattle

Sister: Bette Conrad, North Bend, Oregon

Sister: Gladys, Canada

Daughters: Dr. Gloria D'alessandro, Charlottesville, VA

Lee Grindheim

Sons: Ronald Grindheim, Prosper, TX

Robert Grindheim, Jerseyville, IL

Grandchildren: 3

education

bachelor of religious education

northwestern college, st. paul mn

named distinguished graduate 1944

bachelor of science in education.

nebraska state teacher's college, 1959

master of education

university of cincinnati, 1965

spec. in education 1969 & ed.d 1970

university of missouri

post doctoral studies:

harvard univ;

univ. of va;

southern methodist univ.

clinical pastoral univ. of

mo. mental health clinic

accomplishments

often spoke to the doctoral classes

at asbury seminary, wilmore ky.

taught all grades kindergarten through

doctoral level

psychology professor central methodist college missouri

psychology professor hannibal lagrange college-missouri

directed cinncinati head start program

elementary school principal, 1981-1982

ordained as a minister in missouri

conference united methodist church, 1976

board of directors danish immigrant museum, 1997-1999

phi beta national professional fraternity of music & speech, 1977

dade city florida chamber of commerce

business person of the year; 1989

church growth leader; author; & professor. 1999

christian writers international, koala award for best non-fiction title

"new life for dying churches" now in 8th

edition, 1991

united methodist publishing house, the

circuit rider award, for significant contribution to church growth, 1987

national association of social workers, public citizen of the year award, 1992

appreciation award for a miraculous ministry, trilby united methodist church.  
1984-1991

hannibal lagrange college acts 1:8

award for support of missions program, 1989-2008

led the southeast division umc in professions of faith

organizations

national association of united methodist evangelists

missouri association of elementary school principals

united methodist church, missouri, texas

and florida conferences

greater dade city area chamber of commerce

rotary international, lady lake area

tampa network of executive women

(woman of the year 1992)

orange blossom squares

christian writers fellow international

work history and projects

on a second trip to the brisbane area in 1991, a 3300-kilometer trip through the out back area was arranged by the baptist church for her to speak 31 times in 33 days.

she was invited by robert frost, director of evangelism for the united church of england to speak in each district in the kingdom a three week assignment.

became pastor at trilby umc with active membership of less than a dozen, 1984 retired in 1991, with a membership in excess of 350 and with building program of several hundred thousand dollars completely paid.

keynote speaker at international evangelical uniting conference at coventry cathedral

keynote speaker at free methodist international convention

keynote speaker at church of god international convention

featured speaker at billy graham school of evangelism, seattle, toronto, nashville & orlando

she was active with teen missions international, led a group of 26 teens and six adults on a six weeks tour in australia to perform christian drama in brisbane public schools, over 520 professions of faith were recorded. 1989.

for aids orphans & street children she financed an orphanage that served 500 students in uganda on a daily basis; a 250 seat church with living accommodations for the pastor's family in malawi; and a dormitory for 20 girls. these were all pilot programs in africa that are continuing to expand.

ministers at memorial service:

pastor derrel strickland

pastor mike fordam

others speaking:

jeannie davis

david jenkins

music: amazing grace

violin: debbie diep

piano: dr. gloria d'allessandro

vocal: brandon nyugen

service: saturday december 3, 2011

oxford assembly of god, 12114 n. hwy 301

oxford, florida 34484. (352) 748-6124

visitation 2:00 memorial service 3:30

interment:

monday december 5, 2011 11:00 a.m.

florida national cemetery,

6502sw 102nd ave, bushnell, fl 33513

(352) 793-7740

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Oxford Assembly of God Church Building Fund, 12114 N. Hwy 301, Oxford, FL 34484 or Community United Methodist Church Building Fund, 309 College Avenue, Fruitland Park, FL 34731.

#### Visitation

Visitation 2:00 PM, prior to memorial service at 3:30 PM.

#### Services

Oxford Assembly of God, 12114 N. Hwy 301, Oxford, Florida 34484. Visitation 2:00 PM, memorial service 3:30 PM, Saturday, December 3, 2011.

## Interment

Monday, December 5, 2011 11:00 A.M. at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL.

## Memorial Donations

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# Tribute Wall

SC

“ My deepest condolence to Mr. Sims. We have not forgotten Dr. Rose and yourself, Mr. Sims. You came over to Fiji for a very short visit. You met my family: Albert (Dad), Mila (Mom), Alipate (brother), Isireli (brother), Tima (sister) and I at the church in Sabeto, Nadi. You both were a great blessing to us as you poured your lifes experiences. I've read a few chapters of your book, and I am getting to know you more through it. Please accept our sincere gratitude for the life that Dr. Rose has poured out for the gospel of Christ !! May God bless you both. We have now relocated to Lot 1 Vatuvia, Rd, Lami. Suva, Fiji.

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**Samisoni Adrian Cakau** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ Jim: I have forwarded this to many naume members - we share your loss - we loved - very much loved - Rose, too - she will live on through the lives she touched - and her books -

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**Charles Whittle** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ Dear Jim & Family: We are so sorry to hear of the passing of Dr. Rose. We will see you when we get back to Florida

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**George & Margie Franklin** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HB

“*Rose was an amazing woman. We were blessed to know her and to frequently visit her in The Villages. Her enthusiasm and service for Christ was contagious. Added to the excitement was meeting her brother, David, and his ministry as a missionary pilot and his involvement in building the unique Kodiak plane which I had the privilege to ride. We will miss Rose but her memories will remain with us a long time.*

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**Harold & Jean Blatt** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RS

“*Hello Mr. Sims: I would like to express my Christian condolences to you and your family at this time. My mom joined the Church Triumphant on November 13, so mourning is very fresh and familiar to me right now as well. Yet, so is joy, for we know that Christ is alive and thus our loved ones in Christ are alive. Praise the Lord! Dr. Rose was/is an inspiration to me. I will never forget her and her faithfulness to the Kingdom of God! I tell her story everywhere I serve. May the grace and peace of God in Christ be with you!*

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**Rev. Dr. Joe Stallings** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JP

“*I will always remember you, Rose. And how your name fit you so well.*

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**Joseph Pipala** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“*Rose Sims*

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