



# Andrew Simmons

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**A**ndrew “Andy” Mason Simmons Sr., 95, passed away October 3, 2020 at Allen Morgan Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Memphis, Tennessee. He was born August 23, 1925 in the Bethlehem Community outside of Pickens, South Carolina to Rev. Andrew and Emma Massingill Simmons.

He graduated from Pickens High School and immediately enlisted in the United States Navy serving from 1943-1963. He served as an aerial gunner on the TBM Avenger torpedo bomber. He met the love of his life, Lydia Jim “Jamie” Kimbrough while teaching at the Millington Naval Air Station in B school. He retired in 1963 as Chief Petty Officer. After his military retirement, he joined the United States Postal Service as a letter carrier and retired in 1984 from the Postal Service.

He was a faithful member, choir member, and deacon of the First Baptist Church of Memphis, Tennessee and enjoyed cooking, gardening, card playing, tennis, oil painting, needlepoint, piano playing, and reading.

Mr. Simmons was preceded in death by wife, Lydia Jim Kimbrough Simmons, son: Andrew Mason Simmons Jr., parents, Rev. Andrew M. and Emma Massingill Simmons, sisters, Cora, Sadie, Vadie, Ora, Alberta and Janie, brothers, Batie, Banister, Broadus, Buford, CP and Waldo.

He is survived by son, Kimbrough Graham (Beth) Simmons, grandsons, Andrew (Alejandra) Simmons, and Graham Simmons, several nieces and nephews including Joyce Bruno who was a special caregiver for Andy. The wonderful staff at Trezevant Terrace and Allen Morgan Nursing and Rehabilitation Center

The family will receive guests on Saturday, October 10 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. with the funeral service to follow at 2:30 p.m. in the Fireside Chapel of Memorial Park Funeral Home, 5668 Poplar Ave, Memphis, TN, 38119. Interment will be in Memorial Park Cemetery



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In lieu of customary remembrances, the family requests memorial contributions to be made in memory of Mr. Simmons to the First Baptist Church of Memphis, 200 E. Pkwy N, Memphis, TN, 38112.

For those unable to the services, please follow the link attached.

<http://webcast.funeralvue.com/events/viewer/38403>



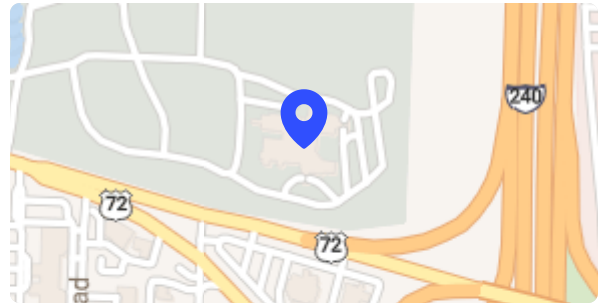
# Events

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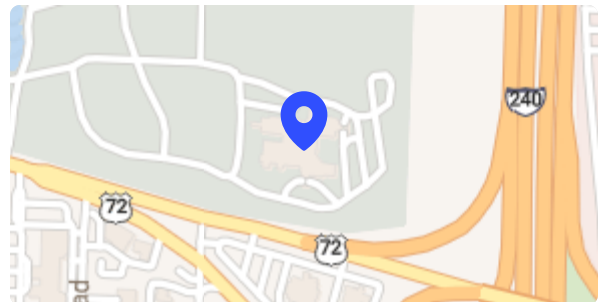
## Visitation

- 📅 **Saturday**, October 10, 2020
- 🕒 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM CT
- 📍 **Memorial Park Funeral Home**  
5668 Poplar Ave, Memphis TN 38119



## Funeral

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## Tribute Wall

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**Carol Faye, Vanessa, Heath And Family** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Simmons family.

October 9 at 5:47 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Simmons family.

October 8 at 11:26 AM



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**Colonel Rick Simmons** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Uncle Andy's brother, C.P. Simmons, also served at the Memphis Naval Air Station, but I don't know if they were there together at the same time. Another brother also served in the U.S. Navy, my Grandfather Wally B. Simmons in 1919.

October 7 at 9:07 PM



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**Carolyn Rogers** lit a candle in honor of Andrew.

Kimbrough, Beth, Graham, Andrew, and Alejandra, we are so sorry for your loss. I know it is very hard to lose a leader, father, grandfather, and cherished mentor. We are praying for you all. Jeremy and I wish we could be there to support you but under the current restrictions we know we can't. We know you find peace and comfort in knowing Andy is in heaven with his heavenly father and other family members who have also moved on. We consider you all precious to us and we love you all. May the Lord be with you and hold you in His arms during this time and always. Carolyn and Jeremy Rogers

October 7 at 7:19 AM





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Circa 1943 Simmons Brothers, Buford, Andy, and C.P.



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Andrew by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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