



Jasper Simmons

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Jasper Simmons, 92, of Columbia, Mo., passed into eternity on Thursday, October 29, 2015 at University of Missouri Hospital. Funeral services will be held at 12 PM on Saturday November 7, 2015 at Mt. Vernon Missionary Baptist Church in Holts Summit. The visitation will be held from 11 am - 12 pm at the church.

Jasper William Simmons, nicknamed, Buck and Jasper, was called home by our Heavenly Father on October 29, 2015 at University of Missouri Hospital in Columbia, Missouri at the age of 92.

Jasper was born on February 12, 1923, to the late Warner and Lucille Simmons in Callaway County. He grew up in Cedar City, Missouri where he learned the skills of gardening and hunting at a young age.

Jasper played on an all black softball team when he was a young man. He would always bunt the ball and make it to first base; he was so fast that they called him Rabbit.

Jasper and his brother Robert were both very fast. Jasper said that the two of them used to run all the way from Jefferson City to their home in Cedar City.

He proudly served his country in the United States Army during World War II.

He lived in Wisconsin and Tennessee for a while, before returning to the family home in Cedar City. He worked for the State of Missouri until his retirement.

Jasper either had his Kangol hat on, or his straw hat and big bib overalls when he worked in his garden. He was well known for his vast vegetable garden. He had the biggest tomatoes, cabbages, cantaloupes, and watermelons. Everyone sought him out for his vegetables. He was also well known for rabbit and coon hunting. Jasper Simmons did not miss and we won't forget about his barbecuing skills. Jasper's barbecue mutton was the best!



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He enjoyed being at family gatherings and barbecues. He enjoyed exchanging stories and tall tells with family and friends.

He leaves to mourn his memory three sons: Robert Simmons (Annabelle) of Columbia, Andre McCoy (Kathy) of West Bend, Wisconsin, and Jasper Terrell Winbush of Brownsville, Tennessee. Also to mourn his memory are two daughters Ginger Maddox of Fulton, Missouri and Loretta Simmons of Ripley, Tennessee. He also leaves to mourn him a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great great grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his son Carl Simmons, his brother Robert Simmons, and two sisters Mildred Thomas and Hilda Simmons.

Jasper, "Buck, Jap, Pops, Daddy, Dad, Grandpa", will be greatly missed by all that knew and loved him. But we know he is with his Lord in Heaven. As his great grand daughter Alexa said, "Grandpa Jasper got his wings now".




Events


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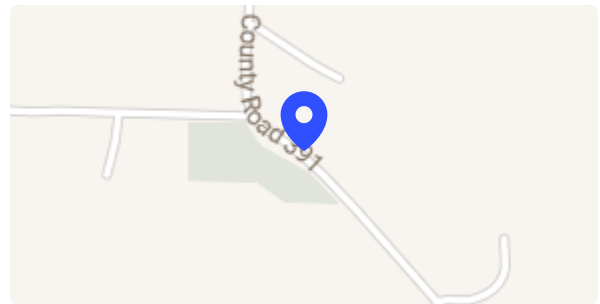
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Visitation


 **Saturday**, November 7, 2015


 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM CT


 **Mt. Vernon Missionary Baptist Church**
11503 County Road 391, Holts Summit MO 65043

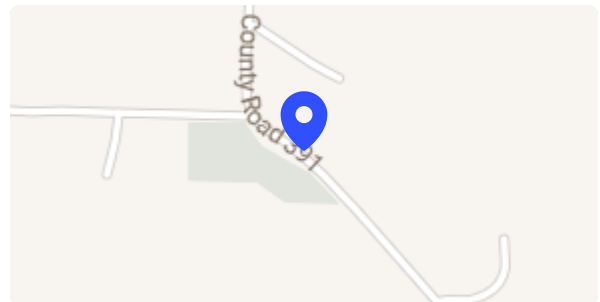


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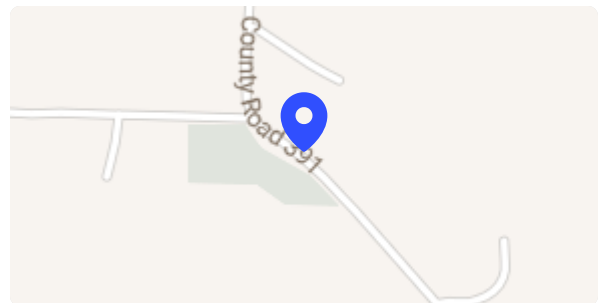
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Cemetery Details

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LS

Lyn & Reggie Scott lit a candle in honor of Jasper.



December 4 at 1:56 PM

JL

Joann 'Boogie' Platt Lempert posted:

Sending condolences from the Nolte family. Our families were neighbors for many years and have lots of childhood memories of Buck and his family; that includes aggravating him sometimes as well, hehe ... he was a great guy!! He always told me I was the only one that could come in his yard or jump the fence to pick a tomato. He took great pride in his gardens and every once in a while, he'd sucker me in to helping him ;-). After the '93 flood he made it a point to stop by and visit with Grandma once in a while to talk about old time. They thoroughly enjoyed getting to reminisce; and I always enjoyed their stories. May God wrap his loving arms around all his family during this time and grant you the peace of understanding. God Bless!!

November 9 at 4:08 AM

BB

Beverly Beasley posted:

Jasper was the kindest, sweetest man I have ever known, he was my mother Shirlene Bagby's companion for years, my family and I came to love Jasper very much. Jasper came to visit us here in California on several occasions and we loved for Jasper to Bar b Que his famous mutton, no one could cook like Jasper. We haven't seen Jasper in a few years but we will truly miss him. We send our love and prayers to his family, God bless you all. Thurman and Beverly Beasley

November 7 at 2:23 PM

SH

Susan Hedrick posted:

I remember Mr. Simmons from when he would sell fruits and vegetables to the employees at the Capitol. We also bought tomatoes from him in Cedar City. He was such a nice gentleman. My sincere sympathies to his family. Susan Hedrick

November 6 at 5:32 PM



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SB

Sherryl Blow posted:

When I think of Jasper, he reminds me of everything about "home". He was my mother, Shirlene Bagby's, special companion for many years and was there to share just about every milestone in my life...high school and college graduation, my first road trips to California and Wisconsin, family gatherings playing Pokeno during the holidays, summer days in Cedar City picking greens from his garden and barbecuing mutton on the grill for my wedding rehearsal dinner!! will remember Jasper as a kind-spirited man who worked hard and enjoyed the simple "country life". To the family, may you find peace in memories and comfort in the love of God, family and friends. Prayerfully

Submitted, Sherryl (Bagby) Blow

November 6 at 10:59 AM

BS

Beverly, Chalice And Sherryl sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Simmons family.



November 6 at 9:18 AM

CB

Christal Bruner lit a candle in honor of Jasper.

My prayers to the Simmons family during this time. Christal Bruner



November 6 at 2:35 AM

PS

Paul Simmons posted:

Our condolences go out to the Simmons family, Especially to Robert I remember as kids my dad Robert Simmons and uncle Buck took us rabbit hunting it was a great time one I will always remember. He will be greatly missed in your hearts he will always be with you God Bless. From Paul, Connie and Thomas Simmons

November 5 at 4:45 PM



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Sheryl Jurgensmeyer posted:

Mr Simmons was a good friend of my fathers and visited our home on many occasions. I remember him as "Buck" and he hunted many, many years with my father. They both loved coon hunting in Callaway county. I also remember him as a great gardener, I stopped many times to visit with him at his garden in what use to be Cedar City, now north Jefferson City. I am sure he will be sadly missed by many-----Sheryl Goff-Jurgensmeyer, Jefferson City, MO

November 5 at 11:51 AM



Byron Bagby posted:

To Ginger and Robert. Please accept my deepest condolences from Monique and me on the passing of your father. He was a kind man who was friendly to all. Sincerely, Byron

November 5 at 5:55 AM



Anonymous sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the Simmons family.



November 3 at 11:14 AM



Barbara Gordon lit a candle in honor of Jasper.

To The families of Mr. Simmons : My sympathy and prayers go out to you all. At the time of your loss Barbara Gordon



November 3 at 8:46 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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