

Homegoing Celebration
for
Deacon Edgar Gaylon Simmons



SUNRISE

May 9, 1919
Stokes County

SUNSET

May 15, 2007
Surry County

Saturday, May 19, 2007
Two o'clock p.m.

Simmons Chapel Primitive Baptist Church
Westfield, North Carolina

Elder Carl Morgan, *Eulogist*
Elder Robert Brady, *Officiating*

Interment

Simmons Chapel Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery
Westfield, North Carolina

ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional (Congregation standing)

Hymn

Words of Comfort

Guest Minister

Prayer

Elder Manual Jessup

Scripture

Old Testament

Elder Dexter Morgan

New Testament

Guest Minister

Acknowledgements and Obituary

Sister Janice Simmons

Church Resolution

Hymn

Family Reflection

Charlie Rawley and Annette Albright

Remarks

(Two minutes, please)

Pulpit Guest

Solo

Sister Dorothyrene Simmons

Eulogy

Elder Carl Morgan

Recessional (Congregation standing)

Interment

Simmons Chapel Primitive

Baptist Church Cemetery

Westfield, NC

The Final Flight

Spencer Funeral Home Staff

FLOWER BEARERS

Grandchildren

CASKET BEARERS

Grandsons

Professional Services Directed by

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THE OBITUARY

Deacon Edgar Gaylon Simmons 88, of 285 Gaylon Street, Mount Airy, North Carolina. On Tuesday, May 15, 2007 Angels came by and ushered Deacon Gaylon to his heavenly home. He was deacon of Simmons Chapel Primitive Baptist Church and was church trustee for many years before becoming a member of the church. Deacon Gaylon was the Mayor of Gaylon Street, and the community had the up most respect for him. You could always see his smiling face sitting on the porch, and waving as you passed him by.

He was born to the late William Normie Simmons and Dollie Ann Moore Simmons in Stokes County on May 9, 1919. He is survived by his loving wife, Inez Franklin Simmons of the home; six daughters, Marie Ceasar, Geraldine (Cleveland) Moore, Judy (James) Washington, Agnes Rawley, Louise Flippen all of Mount Airy, NC, and Mary (Charles) Rawley of Charlotte, NC; three sons, Joe (Connie) Simmons of Wilkesboro, NC, Gid (Kathy) Simmons of Morston, NC and Lester (Janice) Simmons of Mount Airy, NC; twenty-nine grandchildren; twenty-one great grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren; four sisters, Catherine Valentine of Mount Airy, NC, Odessa (Robert) Brady of Westfield, NC, Maxine Hughes of Harrisburg, PA and Doreatha Smith of Winston-Salem, NC; one brother William Maston Simmons of Ararat, VA; one sister-in-law Claudie Simmons of Westfield, NC; a host of relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by one son, Donald Ray Simmons.

God's Garden Must Be Beautiful

God looked around the garden,
and found an empty space.
He looked down upon the earth,
and saw your tired face.
He put his arms around you,
and lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful
for he only takes the best.
He knew that you were weary,
and he know you were in pain.
He knew that you would never,
be well on earth again.
He saw the roads were getting rough,
and the hills were hard to climb.
So he closed your weary eyelids,
and whispered peace be thine.



Thank You

The flowers that you sent that day,
The card you mailed along the way,
The service you stopped by to render,
The gift you brought with thought so tender.
The prayers you said which played a part,
In easing the pain that was in our hearts,
Each helped us to find that strength to bear,
The loss of the one we held so dear.
It was to us a great comfort indeed,
To see you in time of sorrow and need,
So from our hearts which you tried to help mend,
We thank you sincerely again and again
For being such wonderful friends.

The Family of

Deacon Edgar Gaylon Simmons
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