



## Hubert Vanwycke Simmons

May 19, 1924 - July 8, 2009

Hubert V. "Bert" Simmons was born in Tarboro, North Carolina. He graduated from high school there and joined the U.S. Army in 1943. After an honorable discharge in 1945, he attended North Carolina Agricultural and Technical College in Greensboro, North Carolina, where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration in 1950. While a student, he became a star right-handed pitcher and outfielder for NC A&T. During school and after graduation, he played with a number of teams in the area, including the Raleigh Tigers, the Greensboro Redwings, the Farley Stars, the Asheville Blues and others. In 1950, while playing in Atlantic City, New Jersey, he was signed by the Baltimore Elite Giants. He also played with the Yokely Stars in Baltimore before retiring from the game in 1952. After his baseball career ended, he worked for the Social Security Administration and the U.S. Post Office in Baltimore before joining the City School System where he worked for over 30 years before retiring in 1984. At Northwestern High School, he taught business subjects before achieving the level of Department Head in 1975. Simmons focused on helping to develop students' interests and talents in preparation for business careers. During his tenure at Northwestern, Hubert continued to be heavily involved in sports activities as a coach and manager of softball and baseball teams. He also coached at Dunbar High School and at Coppin State College. In 1978, he received the high honor of being enshrined in the North Carolina A&T State University's Sports Hall of Fame for leading his team to 3 baseball championships during the late 1940's. Hubert devoted

much of his time to counseling and mentoring students and for many years in an active role with the James Mosher Little League Association. He was also a member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, the W.A. Pattillo High School Alumni Association and the Board of Directors of the Negro League Baseball Players Association and was one of the founders of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum of Maryland, Inc. He was an active member of the Mac Williams Men's Council of Lochearn Presbyterian Church and served as and Elder of the church. He retired from his business, SimmonsInk, The Logo Specialists, in 1999. Hubert is survived by his devoted wife of 54 years, Audrey; his step-son, Gilbert Grey, a granddaughter, Nicole and her husband, Jay and their 2 children, Jocelyn and Jordan; a brother-in-law, Alexander Malone and his wife, Anita; a sister-in-law, Della Johnson and her husband Ralph; and many other nieces and nephews.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Hubert Vanwycke Simmons*

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“ *I would like to express my sympathy to Mr. Simmons' family and friends. The loss of one so dearly loved can be painful and difficult to bear that's why the Bible calls death an "enemy." But God promises to do away with that enemy and all the pain it causes, according to 1 Corinthians 15:26 and Revelation 21:4. Yes, these are the promises of God, who cannot lie- Titus 1:2. I hope you continue to find comfort in God's Word of Truth, the Bible.##imported-begin##Valerie Johnson##imported-end##*

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“ *My husband and I are both graduates of Northwestern's High School's class of 1971. Mr Simmons was truly loved by all of the students there. His kindness and accessibility to his students endeared him to their hearts forever. We will always cherish his memory and pray that he realized what an outstanding role model he was and will continue to be in the lives of the many students he taught. May God bless you always.##imported-begin##Linda and Ken James##imported-end##*

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“ *Sorry I could not be with you but my prayers and thoughts were there##imported-begin##Joanne J. Ruffin##imported-end##*

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“ My deepest sympathy to you & the family. God makes no mistakes ,HE,s ok now with the ALMIGHT, ONE TIME WIIL HEAL, WOUNDS,JULLIE FONSECA-LANDRUM###imported-begin##JULLIE LANDRUM###imported-end##

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“ Bert has transitioned to be with the ancestors. Surely, he has left a legacy (or two or three, or more) that will be with us always. Sylvia Cooke Simmons###imported-begin##Sylvia Cooke Martin###imported-end##

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“ Audrey, Our condolences to you and your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Jim & Thelma###imported-begin##Jim & Thelma Frazier###imported-end##

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