



Joseph William Simms, Sr.

March 10, 1930 - June 14, 2014

The Legacy of Bishop Joseph William Simms, Sr.

Joseph Williams Simms, Sr., 84, of Manquin, Virginia departed this life Saturday, June 14, 2014 at Autumn Care Nursing and Rehab in Hanover, Virginia. He was born in King William County, Virginia on March 10, 1930 to the late Eva T. and Joseph M. Simms.

He served in the United States Army and received an honorable discharge. He worked for E. M. Todd Ham Company for over 30 years. While there he rose to the position of supervisor.

He was married to Alice Young on November 19, 1954 and from that union six children were born. He has gone on to join his loving wife and son Lamont Simms.

Under the leadership of the late Apostle John W. Pernel, he was ordained Elder and later became Pastor of the Refuge Assembly of Yahweh in King William County where he pastored for 44 years. In 2001, he was installed as Bishop under Presider E. W. Woodbury, Sr.

He leaves to cherish his loving memory three daughters, Eva Simms of Aylett, Virginia, Cheryl Wright (Leon) of Reisterstown, Maryland, and Margo Simms

of Richmond, Virginia; two sons, Joseph Simms, Jr. (Renée) of Mechanicsville, Virginia and Dwayne Simms (Gwen) of Glen Allen, Virginia; eleven grandchildren, Stacy Simms, Tracy Simms, Angel Simms Berry (George), Joseph Simms, III, Alondra Whiting, Kameron Simms, Brooke Simms, Leon Wright, III, Logan Wright, Thomas Simms, Jr. and India Simms; one sister, Lelia Woodbury (Bishop E. W. Woodbury, Sr.) of Norfolk, Virginia and one brother, Robert Simms (Mamie) of Manquin, Virginia; two sisters-in-laws, Earle Massie and Ruth Irby of Buffalo, New York and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

The Assembly of Yahweh Church Cemetery

5258 Dabneys Mill Road
Manquin, VA 23106

Previous Events

viewing

JUN **20**. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel
Richmond, VA 23222

Service

JUN **21**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph William Simms, Sr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Sorry for your loss, may Jehovah give you comfort in your time of need. 1Corinthians 1:3,4.*

Carolyn - June 27, 2014 at 09:45 AM



“ *My sincere condolences to your family. Death of a loved one is never easy to deal with and our heavenly Father knows this very well. That is why he made this promise in his word the Holy Bible that very soon death will be swallowed up so that we will not experience that pain anymore. This is found your in Bible at Isaiah 25:8. His wonderful son, Jesus Christ not only promised that there will be a resurrection of those that died; (John 5:28, 29) but he also demonstrated it when he resurrected his dear friend Lazarus from death; (John Chapter 11).*

I hope that during this difficult time these and other delightful promises from our heavenly Father bring some comfort to your family.

For more faith building encouragement please visit www.jw.org.

Sincerely,

E Lewis - June 20, 2014 at 06:49 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Joseph William Simms, Sr..*



June 19, 2014 at 08:18 AM



“ *To the Family of Joseph William Simms Sr.:
I wanted to write to let you know how sorry I was to hear of the death of your family member. Death is such a terrible thing. The bible shows though that at 1 Corinthians 15:26 'the last enemy death is to be brought to nothing'. Then to go along with that it says at Isaiah 25:8 that 'God will swallow up death forever'. We were created to live not to die. That's why it hurts so bad when we lose someone we love in death. But God's word the bible shows at Revelation 21:4 'that there will be no more sickness, death, mourning, outcry or pain'. So we are waiting on his time, If you have any questions or comments, please e-mail me or go www.jw.org.*

Faye - June 18, 2014 at 12:50 PM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

March Funeral Homes - June 17, 2014 at 11:36 AM