



## Julia Moore Simmons

June 10, 1942 - May 18, 2021

Our beloved, Julia Mae Moore Simmons was born June 10th, 1942 in Halifax County, North Carolina. She transitioned to eternal rest on May 18th, 2021 in Richmond, Virginia.

Julia was born to Robert Lee and Bessie Moore, Julia's mother died during childbirth, leaving her and her brother, William Ivy Moore, to be raised by the late Sylvester Brown and the late Carrie Dickens brown.

Julia graduated from Brawley High School in Halifax County, North Carolina in 1961. Julia relocated to Richmond, Virginia, where she met and married William David Simmons. Their union produced four children, Gilda, Sharon, Daryl, and Carmita.

Julia lived a life of Christian Service. She was a dedicated servant at Great Hope Baptist Church, where she served on the Usher Board for many years. She served faithfully, even as her health declined. In her early years Julia enjoyed singing as a member of "The RC Spirituals," which was a gospel group composed of family members. Julia loved being a member of this group, despite her inability to clap and rock at the same time.

Julia known to some as Jut, Judy, Ms. Judy, Julia Mae, Miss Simms, Auntie, Aunt Judy, Grandma and/ or Grandma Simmons, was a legendary icon of

Richmond. She worked tirelessly at Becky's Restaurant for over 50 years. She was known as an enthusiastic worker with a loving heart for those she served. She welcomed members of the General Assembly and many other elected officials who visited Richmond and wanted a good place to eat. And of Course, it was Becky's with a special request for Julia.

Julia brought forward a strong passion for her kids, church, family, neighbors, cooking, gardening, and was appreciative of love from all. Ensuring that everyone was taken care of and happy brought Julia a sense of purpose and meaning in life. She lived the verse "do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

Julia was preceded in death by her parents and daughter, Carmita Ramona. She is survived by her three children; Gilda (Whalen III), Sharon and Daryl; two brothers; William Ivy Moore (Phyllis) and Robert Moore; five grandchildren; Tyvon, Sharita, Turquoia, Daryl Jr., and Mya, one niece, Annessia Moore; one living nephew: Damon; one uncle, Cornelius Moore an one aunt, Dorothy Jones; devoted cousins, Dorothy Hawkins, Lesterine Whitehead, Marilyn Whitehead, Tybias Whitehead, Artencia Hawkins-Bell, Dr. Greta Hawkins-Mathis and a host of other relatives and special friends, among them; Gloria Gray, Violet Jackson, Cookie Watts and Gloria Wright.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane  
Richmond, VA 23222

# Previous Events

## Walk through Visitation

**MAY 24.** 11:00 AM - 4:30 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Ave.  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Celebration of Life service with live streaming on website

**MAY 25.** 1:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23222

# Tribute Wall



“ *To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Julia Moore Simmons, Please Click the Link below.*



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**March Funeral Homes** - May 24, 2021 at 10:45 AM

LJ

*Daryl, Gilda, & Sharon, I'm sending my deepest condolences to you all, as you all grieve the loss of your mother. I will continue to keep you all lifted in prayer with comfort, and peace...Lovely J.*

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**Lovely Johnson** - May 24, 2021 at 05:01 PM



“ *Julia Moore Simmons*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM

LW

“ *Gilda, Sharon & Daryl, Sorry for the loss of your Mother. Sending my deepest condolences to you and the family. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Love Junie (Beebadee)*

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**Lloyd Wright** - May 25, 2021 at 12:18 PM

TS

“ *My best memory of Momma Julia will always be her beautiful smile and her infectious laughter she shared with me! Rest easy Queen 🙏💜🕊️ Peace Love Strength Comfort n Power to those who loved her especially Gilda Sharon and Daryl...Ase' and Amen 🌸*

Tracey Seck - May 25, 2021 at 11:01 AM

TS

“ *Tracey Seck lit a candle in memory of Julia Moore Simmons*



Tracey Seck - May 25, 2021 at 10:48 AM

GS

“ *Gary Smithson purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Julia Moore Simmons.*



Gary Smithson - May 24, 2021 at 10:35 PM

LW

“ To Gilda, Sharon, Daryl, William, Grandchildren, other relatives, Because we care, our heartfelt thoughts go out to you today. May all the love and memories shine through your sorrow in the loss of your mother, sister and grandmother. May each tear that falls be a gentle reminder that you and your loved one meant so much to each other. We will fondly remember Julia as one of the most caring "Mother's" on Delrio Drive. She is now resting, and at peace in the arms of our heavenly Father. We will be here for all of you no matter how long it takes. May the God we love and who loves us keep you in his care. Be Blessed. Leroy, Joan and children.



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**Leroy and Joan Williams** - May 24, 2021 at 07:47 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Julia Moore Simmons.



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May 20, 2021 at 08:40 PM

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“ *Gilda, Sharon and Darryl, my deepest sympathy goes out to you and your family as you struggle through the grief and sadness. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Love Nita Banks McGruder*

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**Unithia B McGruder** - May 20, 2021 at 07:02 PM

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“ Sharon, Offering my deepest condolences ,I'm sincerely praying for comfort and strength for you and your family during this difficult time. Ms Peggy Allen ( GMWA)

Verna Allen ( Peggy ) - May 20, 2021 at 02:08 PM

TP

“ Gilda, Sharon, and Daryl, I am so sorry to hear of the loss your mother. So many good memories of fun times in Central Gardens. May the lord comfort you at this time. Love Trisha Parker-Cousins



Trisha Parker-Cousins - May 20, 2021 at 12:59 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 - May 20, 2021 at 10:04 AM