



Walter "Walt" A. Simons, 93, passed away Saturday, January 27, 2024 at Monument Health Sturgis Hospital.

Walter Allen Simons was born September 29, 1930 to Sam and Ada (Burditt) Simons in Sturgis, SD. Walt grew up in Marcus. He attended Sturgis Brown High School, and after graduation he attended Black Hills State Teachers College. Walt taught school for a short time, before joining the US Air Force during the Korean War. After he was honorably discharged from the Air Force, he began a banking career with the National Bank of South

Dakota, eventually being transferred back to Sturgis. Walt married Barbara Newbill on August 27, 1955. He then began working as an insurance agent and selling real estate. He was a realtor at Century 21 for a time, before starting Walt Simons Real Estate and Auctions.

Walt was involved in starting the Black Hills Chapter of the Christian Trail Riders of America, and was a member of the Sturgis Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion. Walt was also a member of the Sturgis Police Reserves and Kiwanis Club.



He is survived by his wife, Barbara; children, Larry Simons, Portland, OR, Colette Meyers, Sturgis, Lisa (Duane) Baker, Sturgis; sister, Freda Wilson, Sturgis; four grandchildren, Lyndee (Brandon) Fogelman, Dustin (Amber) Brink, Brian Baker, Stephanie (Scott) Hughes and six great-grandchildren, Grace Fogelman, Avery Fogelman, Marshall Brink, Brandon, Caleb and Sam Hughes; along with many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Sam and Ada; brothers, Vern Simons, Wayne Simons; sisters, Gladys Edwards, Kay Ingalls, Clara Beth Peterson and son-in-law, Duane Meyers.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be directed to First Presbyterian Church of Sturgis or Rainbow Bible Camp.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and a meal
in the church basement, following the service.
Thank you for your presence and condolences.*

In Loving Memory Of



Walter Allen Simons

September 29, 1930 ~ January 27, 2024

*I have concluded that the accumulation of
wealth, even if I could achieve it,
is an insufficient reason for living.*

When I reach the end of my days...

a moment or two from now,

I must look backward on something

more meaningful than

*the pursuit of houses and land
and machines and stocks and bonds.*

Nor is fame of any lasting benefit.

*I will consider my earthly existence to have
been wasted unless I can recall*

a loving family,

*a consistent investment in the lives of
people, and an earnest attempt to
serve the God who made me.*

Nothing else makes much sense.

- Dr. James Dobson

"Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God;
believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms.

If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to
prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place
for you, I will come again and will take you to myself,
that where I am you may be also"

John 14: 1-3

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Born

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Died

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Funeral Service

Tuesday, January 30, 2024, 10:30 a.m.
First Presbyterian Church
Sturgis, South Dakota

Officiant

Reverend Paul Henschen

Musical Selections

"Softly and Tenderly" "Because He Lives"

Pallbearers

Dustin Brink Duane Baker Brian Baker
De Wayne Hayes Larry Simms Brandon Fogelman

Military Honors

Ellsworth AFB Honor Guard
Sturgis Volunteer Honor Guard

Final Resting Place

Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota