

## TRIBUTE

### “WE SAT BESIDE YOUR BEDSIDE”

We sat beside your **bedside**  
Our **hearts** were crushed and sore.  
We did our **duty** to the end,  
“Til we could do no **more**.  
In **tears** we watched you sinking,  
We watched you **fade** away,  
And though our **hearts** were breaking  
We knew you could not **stay**.  
You left behind some **aching** hearts,  
That **loved** you most sincerely.  
We never shall and **never** will  
**Forget** you, Father dear.  
For many years the **family** chain  
Was **closely** linked together,  
But oh! That **chain** is broken now,  
The main link gone **forever**.  
The **sunshine** of our happy home,  
Must always **clouded** be,  
But Thou O **Lord** has sent this cross,  
We bear it all for **Thee**.

## PALLBEARERS

Kenny Cooks  
Alex Debose  
Brian Mood

Donald Richardson  
Tysheem Richardson  
Michael Simmons

## HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Alonza Mazyck  
Ernest Pearson  
Robert Robertson, Sr.

Gerald Shine  
Earl Smith  
William “Roy” Smith

## FLORAL BEARERS

Ushers of the Church

## EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE

The family of  
**THEODORE SIMMONS, JR.**

is grateful for all expressions of love, kindness, and comfort shown to us during the passing of our loved one. Special thanks to the Amedisys Hospice Staff and all the Caregivers, especially Brother Jacob Reid who helped with his care during his illness. May the love, joy and peace of God continue to embrace you.

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HOME GOING CELEBRATION  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Theodore  
SIMMONS, JR.

SUNRISE: APRIL 1, 1937 | SUNSET: NOVEMBER 20, 2025

Tuesday, November 25, 2025 | 11:00 A.M.

**Greater St. James A.M.E. Church**  
1831 Jedburg Road | Summerville, South Carolina

INTERMENT  
Willson Cemetery  
Longridge Road, Moncks Corner, South Carolina



# OBITUARY

*“I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course,  
I have kept the faith.” ~ 2 Timothy 4:7*

Theodore Simmons, Jr. was born on April 1, 1937, in Moncks Corner, South Carolina, son of the late Theodore Simmons, Sr. and Elouise Altean Reid Simmons. He was lovingly known as “Teddy,” “Fred,” and “Mother Junior.” On Thursday, November 20, 2025, at his residence, God called his child’s name, and he answered.

Theodore grew up in the Longridge community and was educated in the Berkeley County Schools, graduating from Berkeley Training School. He later proudly served his country with honor in the United States Air Force.

After completing his military service, Theodore returned home and built a respected career as a Master Carpenter. He began teaching Building Construction at the former Harleyville-Ridgeville High School and later continued his career at Oakley Vocational Center. He also worked for several years as a longshoreman with the South Carolina State Ports Authority. Always striving for excellence, he furthered his education at South Carolina State College, Clemson University, the University of South Carolina, and Trident Technical College to obtain certifications and accreditations within the Berkeley County School District. He dedicated thirty-three years of service to the school district before retiring.

At an early age, Theodore professed his faith in Jesus Christ and joined Greater St. James AME Church, where he remained a faithful and devoted member until his health declined. He served diligently as both a Steward and a Trustee.

Theodore enjoyed fishing and gardening, but what he loved most was sharing his craftsmanship throughout the community. A man of integrity, he deeply loved God, his family, and his church.

On March 17, 1962, Theodore was united in holy matrimony to Angelyn “Angie” Eadie. Their loving union was blessed with four children.

He was preceded in death by his siblings: Thomas Simmons, Miriam Simmons, Elvin Simmons, Marver Evelyn Rodgers, and Calvin Simmons.

Cherishing his life and legacy are his devoted wife, Angelyn “Angie” Simmons; his son, Carlton Simmons, Sr. of Moncks Corner, SC; and his three daughters, Vanessa Simmons of Moncks Corner, SC, Carolyn (LeRoy) LeVine of Summerville, SC, and Elisha (Joseph) Bryant of Moncks Corner, SC. He also leaves seven grandchildren: Carleeta (Timothy) Grant of Manassas, VA, Michelle Simmons of Moncks Corner, SC, Carlton (Hailey) Simmons, Jr. of Conway, SC, Micah

Staggers of Charlotte, NC, Emmanuel LeVine and Gabriel LeVine of Summerville, SC, and Zanihwell Bryant of Moncks Corner, SC; along with two great-grandchildren, Everleigh Simmons and Daniel Simmons of Conway, SC.

He is further survived by four sisters-in-law: Clara Simmons and Dorothy Simmons, both of Moncks Corner, SC, Shirley Swain of Poughkeepsie, NY; and Helen Eadie of St. Stephen, SC; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends who will forever treasure his memory.



## REMEMBERING OUR DEAR BELOVED

*Theodore Simmons, Jr.*

April 1, 1937 ~ November 20, 2025

# ORDER OF SERVICE

*Reverend Myron Foxworth, Presiding*

## PRELUDE

**PROCESSIONAL**  
Ministers & Family

## FINAL VIEWING

**OPENING HYMN # 364**  
*“My Hope Is Built”*  
Greater St. James Combined Choir

**PRAYER**  
Reverend Yvonne Gregg

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**  
Old Testament                      Psalm 23  
New Testament        2 Timothy 4: 6 – 8

**SOLO**  
Evangelist Denora Brown

**REFLECTIONS**  
(3 minutes please)  
Class Leader                      Brother Gerald Droze  
Family                      Reverend Leonard Simmons

**SERMONIC HYMN # 381**  
*“There’s Not a Friend”*  
Greater St. James Combined Choir

**EULOGY**  
Elder Samuel L. McPherson

## COMMITTAL

## BENEDICTION

## RECESSIONAL