



Hellen Simmons

September 28, 1931 - February 20, 2014

Hellen Gregg Simmons, 82, of Greenville, SC, died at St. Francis Memorial Hospital in Greenville on February 20, 2014. Mrs. Simmons was born on September 28, 1931, in Toccoa, Georgia, the daughter of the late Reverend and Mrs. R. D. Gregg. She was an honor graduate of Easley High School, class of 1949, and she married William Curtis Simmons on July 22nd of the same year. Mrs. Simmons was a working woman, a woman of faith, and a devoted wife and mother.

She worked as an administrative assistant in the Roger Milliken Textile plant in Barnwell, SC, and later in administrative and accounting positions for various medical practices in Union and Spartanburg, SC. She retired from the Diane Martin and Associates Tax Firm in Union at the age of 70 in 2002.

Mrs. Simmons and her husband moved to Barnwell, SC, in 1956. They were members of the Hagood Avenue Baptist Church where Mrs. Simmons played piano and organ and, for a time, directed the church's choir. The family was very active in their church and community. Two of their four daughters graduated from Barnwell High School.

The Simmons family moved to Union, SC, in 1971. Two of their daughters graduated from Union High School. Hellen and Curtis Simmons were members of Mon Aetna Baptist Church in Union until their move to Emeritus at Greenville in 2012.

Mrs. Simmons is predeceased by her husband, William Curtis Simmons of Pickens, SC; by her brother, the late Leonard R. Gregg of Seattle,

Washington; and, by a sister, Mrs. Betty Smith, of Colorado Springs, Colorado. She is survived by four daughters and sons-in-law: Donna and Chris Freeman of Brevard, NC; Dale and Ed Rehkopf of Mt. Ulla, NC; Mary and David Kasunick of Marietta, SC; and, Beth and Michael McAbee of Mount Pleasant, SC. She is also survived by two adored and adoring granddaughters, Ms Taylor Seay Busbin and Ms Lucy Elizabeth Busbin and several loving nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 2:00 PM until 3:00 PM on Sunday, February 23, 2014, at the Mon Aetna Baptist Church, 1431 Lockhart Hwy. in Union, SC, with funeral services being held at 3:00 PM. Burial will follow at Holcombe Cemeteries, Inc. The family wishes to express their gratitude to two generous and supporting friends, Mrs. Kenneth (Jean) Raines of Greenville, and Mrs. Vi Gautam, also of Greenville.

Memorials may be made to Mon Aetna Baptist Church or to The Gideons International by visiting www.gideons.org

Cemetery Details

Holcombe Cemeteries, Inc

1720 Whitmire Hwy
Union, SC 29379

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **23**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Mon Aetna Baptist Church
1431 Lockhart Hwy
Union, SC 29379

Service

FEB **23**. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Hellen Simmons.



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“ a wonderful memory of my grandmother and our family is of my family of 12, spending Christmases in my grandparents small house. it was always filled with laughter and love. its where i learned how to fish, and where my grandmother would make fabulous meals. When my family and i would come into town from Charleston, there would always be a pot of Vegetable soup on the stove for us. On special Sundays when everyone was at nana an papa's house my Aunts and Mom would be in the tiny kitchen cooking and my grandmother would be directing everyone. i remember picking blueberries with her for her famous cobbler.

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“ Greatest memory is of my family and i all crowded into my grandparents small three bedroom two bath house(thats 13 people i mind you), we had the greatest Christmases there. many good memories of my grandmother cooking vegetable soup for us coming into town late at night. And watching all of my aunts and my mom cook in the tiny kitchen. learning how to make blue berry cobbler from her and mornings getting ready for church. my grandmother was and is to me a true woman of pose and kindness.

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“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of *Hellen Simmons*.



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