



## Bill Simmons

January 7, 1928 - October 24, 2016

Saturday, January 07, 1928 to Monday, October 24, 2016

A Resident of Glen Allen, MO

Visitation Services will be held on Friday, October 28, 2016 at 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Liley Funeral Homes, Marble Hill, MO

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, October 29, 2016 at 12:00 PM at the Liley Funeral Homes, Marble Hill, Mo

The Final Resting Place is at the McGee Chapel Cemetery near Grassy, MO  
Bill J. Simmons, 88 of Glen Allen, Missouri, entered his heavenly home on October 24, 2016. He left this earthly abode and is now sitting on his Heavenly porch swing, no doubt telling stories and cracking jokes.

On October 9, 1948, he married Lettie Idella Eaker the love of his life and soul mate for over 67 years and she passed away on April 21, 2016. They brought into this world five children Carol (Ed) Smith, deceased; Kenneth (Sharon) Simmons of Glen Allen, Missouri; Cathy (Kenneth) Trentham of Marble Hill, Missouri; Tammy (Patrick) Tankersley of Jackson, Missouri; Kristi (David) Black of Jackson, Missouri.

Twelve grandchildren who he loved to spoil, they include: Jaycie (Andy) Johnson; Samantha (Josh) Hobbs; Jodi(Donnie) Long; Justin Simmons; Lucas (Jenna) Simmons; Kyle Trentham; Cory (Cassie) Trentham; Tyler (Jessica) Tankersley; Caleb Tankersley; Whitney (Matt) Miller; Katie and Hallie Black. He was blessed with fifteen great-grandchildren, Bella, Gwynnie and Lucy Johnson; Callie and Elijah Hobbs; Chloe, Mattie and Ellie Simmons; Abbigail and Garret Simmons; Faith and Jacob Trentham; Henry and Owen Tankersley and little sister Tankersley who will enter this world in January, and Sydney Miller.

Bill is survived by one brother, David (Shirley) Simmons and one sister, Ruth (James) Dowd, both of Glen Allen, MO, and many in-laws, nieces and nephews whom he loved dearly.

Bill had an infectious sense of humor and loved nothing more than rocking on one of the many porch swings he had at his home while sitting next to someone he loved. He was generous with his time, talents and love. He was a master storyteller. If he ever needed a favor, he would utter "If you'll do this for me, I'll dance at your wedding in a pig trough." This became the title to his published book, "Dancing in a Pig Trough", which depicts his life as a child growing up in the depression and later as an adult. He had a deep faith and served as Sunday School Superintendent and Deacon for many years at Grassy Friendship Church. He served his country in the Army in World War II where he was stationed in Japan. His life, lived as a devoted husband, father and grandfather, serves as a great legacy for all who knew and loved him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, five brothers, four sisters and one daughter. Visitation will be Friday, October 28, 2016 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Liley Funeral Home in Marble Hill, MO and Saturday morning from 11:00 AM until time of his Celebration of Life which begins at 12:00 PM with the Rev. Elijah Allen officiating. Burial will follow in the McGee Chapel

Cemetery in Glen Allen, MO, with full military honors.

Memorials in Lieu of Flowers may be made to McGee Chapel Cemetery Association.