



Charles H. Simmons

August 10, 1925 - November 7, 2016

Charles H. Simmons, 91, of Ashland, devoted husband and father, passed away Monday November 7, 2016 at Ashland Community Hospice Care Center surrounded by family. He was born August 10, 1925 in Ashland the son of the late Charles B. and Annie Harmon Simmons. Mr. Simmons attended Ashland High School and Marshall University and was a lifelong member of First Baptist Church. He was the owner of Simmons Electric Co. and a longtime Ashland master electrician, a trade he learned in the U.S. Navy where he proudly served his country aboard the LST-611 in the South Pacific during World War II. He was also a KY Colonel. Quick to befriend anyone and was always young at heart. He was quick to share stories of his Navy service, Ashland's early days, the work he accomplished at Simmons Electric, and his many adventures traveling the country he loved so deeply. Never afraid to try something new, he embraced technology, managing an insightful blog site; and would often accompany his children on their adventures. He inspired the love of music, brass bands, poetry and the Lawrence Welk Show in nearly everyone he met. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Roxielena Nicholas Simmons of Ashland; a son and four daughters and their families: Robin and Doug Kendall of Ashland, Julie Capuder of Deland, FL, Jenny and Scott Mayer of Haubstadt, Ind, Phillip and Leesa Simmons of Spartanburg, SC, and Catherine and Allen Blair of Mt. Sterling, KY; Eight grandchildren, Sheli DeLaney, Lauren and Michael Simmons, Taylor and Katie Giles, Catie Blair, Mandi Zemberi, and Jason Mayer; several cousins of the Harper family in

Virginia; cousins in Texas; and many friends and neighbors of both Ashland and Ormond Beach, FL. Mr. Simmons, and his unfailing love of his wife, children, family and his friends and neighbors as absolute treasures worthy of his time, will be greatly missed. Funeral services will be conducted 3:00 PM Wednesday November 9, 2016 at Miller Funeral Home with Pastor Steve Willis officiating. The family will receive friends from 1:30 until service time Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial will follow at 12:00 PM Thursday at KY Veterans Cemetery N. E. with military rites by Kenova American Legion Post 93. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to DAV VA Regional Office Ste 390, 321 West Main Street Room 322, Louisville, KY 40202.

Cemetery Details

Kentucky Veterans Cemetery North East

Industrial Parkway
Ashland, KY 41102

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 9. 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Miller Funeral Home
1941 Carter Ave
Ashland, KY 41101
(606) 324-2141
jim@mhfhome.com

Service

NOV 9. 3:00 PM (ET)

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NOV **10**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Charlie hired me at Just barely 16 yrears old as an electrician, Charlie gave me my first break in a career and trade I enjoyed, he taught me so much and put great confidence in me he took the patients and time to teach me the trade he loved so dearly there were many lunches at McDonalds with napkins being used as make shift paper to draw out diagrams and sketches to help teach and explain this great trade that has provided me with over 30 years of lively hood and has lead me many directions in life, he gave me one of the greatest gifts a man can have something that could never be taken away only improved and perfected over time. He gave me my trade. Charlie will forever hold a special place in my life my heart and my career. The lights of heaven just got brighter they gained the master of master electricians.

With Love to Roxy and his family.

Bobby Layman.

Bobby Layman - November 09, 2016 at 09:27 PM



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Charles H. Simmons.



November 09, 2016 at 09:16 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Charles H. Simmons.*



November 09, 2016 at 08:54 AM



“ *Dear Mrs. Simmons and Children, Charlie hired Rick (as a apprentice Electrician) back in the mid-seventies. Mr. Simmons mentored Rick with advice, professionalism, and kindness. He often spoke of you and the family he loved so very much. Ashland has lost a good, honest, Christian man.*



*Our family mourns your loss of a fine gentleman and friend.
Sincerely,
Rick & Debra Browning
Browning Electric*

Debra K Browning - November 09, 2016 at 07:10 AM



“ *3 files added to the album New Album Name*



Katie Giles - November 08, 2016 at 05:40 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Charles H. Simmons.



November 08, 2016 at 03:56 PM