



James Edward Simerley

October 25, 1936 - March 15, 2025

James Edward Simerley, age 88, of Ringgold, Georgia went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, March 15, 2025. Previously of East Ridge, Tennessee, James has resided in Ringgold since 1991 and was a member of Omega Harvest Church of God. He had years in the trucking industry as a Teamster. He was a veteran of the United States Marine Corp before going into business for himself at J & G Maintenance. He loved being with family and friends, watching the Braves play, fishing, and sitting on the porch watching hummingbirds.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Henderson Burt Simerley and Lillie Mae Nelson Simerley; daughter, Darlene Phillips; sisters, Sandra Ottie, Vivian Armour; brothers, Frank Simerley, Troy Simerley, and grandson, Christopher Atwood.

James is survived by his loving wife of forty four years, Glenda Thurmond Simerley; children, Rodney Simerley, Michelle (Terry) Pollard, Lori (Troy) Slatton, Billie (Jeff) Clark, Jamie (Jeremy) Parker; son-in-law, Mike Phillips; siblings, Caroline Akins, Mary Ruth Sisk, Linda Akins, Betty McAllister, Alice Wilson, Charles Simerley; grandchildren April, Jarrod, Ashley, Noah, Hillary, Ashton, Maileigh, Mason; as well as many great grandchildren, great great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends on Tuesday from 11:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Wednesday morning prior to the service at the funeral home. Funeral services will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 19, 2025, in the

Wilson Funeral Homes Wallis ~ Stewart Chapel with Reverend Mia Pittman and Bishop Charles Pittman Officiating. Burial will follow in the Chattanooga National Cemetery. Online guest book at www.wilsonfuneralhome.com. Arrangements by Wilson Funeral Homes Wallis – Stewart Chapel, Ringgold, Georgia.

Cemetery Details

Chattanooga National Cemetery

Holtzclaw Ave.
Chattanooga, TN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 18. 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wilson Funeral Homes Wallis-Stewart Chapel
443 Boynton Drive
Ringgold, GA 30736

Visitation

MAR 19. 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

MAR 19. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ I lived next door to Mr Simerly and I hate to hear that he passed away. Their family has always been very nice to my kids and I will pray for you in this time

Tana Daniel - April 10, 2025 at 07:22 PM

CF

“ He was a super nice man who made me laugh everytime I saw him and his pretty lady was always by his side always welcoming me , such an awesome family !



connie fausnaugh - March 22, 2025 at 10:48 AM

DP

“ Deborah Parker lit a candle in memory of James Edward Simerley



Deborah Parker - March 18, 2025 at 06:49 PM

DP

Love you all, James is a fine man, treated me an Jerry always with kindness he had a big heart

Deborah Parker - March 18, 2025 at 06:52 PM

PC

“ Patricia Clark lit a candle in memory of James Edward Simerley



Patricia Clark - March 18, 2025 at 12:39 PM

AP

“ My second family all through school. Prayers for the whole family. Love you all.

Amanda Phillips - March 18, 2025 at 10:32 AM

CW

“ Charles and Nancy White purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of James Edward Simerley.



Charles and Nancy White - March 18, 2025 at 08:34 AM

CW

“ Charles and Nancy White planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Edward Simerley.

Charles and Nancy White - March 18, 2025 at 08:34 AM

YF

“ Your MBellish Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Edward Simerley.

Your MBellish Family - March 18, 2025 at 06:57 AM

YF

“ *Your MBellish Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of James Edward Simerley.*



Your MBellish Family - March 18, 2025 at 06:57 AM

HP

“ *Hope and Ricky Parker purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Edward Simerley.*



Hope and Ricky Parker - March 17, 2025 at 09:00 PM

TM

“ *He was always a sweet man.
Praying for the family.*



Teneice McGill - March 17, 2025 at 07:23 PM