



Charles Robert Simmons

September 7, 1939 - October 30, 2024

Charles “Chuck” Robert Simmons, respected husband, father, and grandfather, passed away on October 30, 2024, at the age of 85. Born on September 7, 1939, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He was preceded in death by his father William Jefferson Simmons, mother Harriett Margaret McGovern Simmons, In-Laws Ed and Lois Dobbs, brother James “Jim” Simmons and his wife Dorothy, and nephews Jeff and Jimmer Simmons.

Chuck is survived by his devoted wife of 58 years, Rena Louise Simmons, whom he married on July 22, 1966, in Tucson, Arizona. He leaves behind a cherished legacy through his children: Melissa Simmons Patrick and her husband Phil, Robert “Bob” Simmons and his wife Julia, Tina Simmons Jackson and her husband Steve, and Monica Simmons Mead. He is also fondly remembered by his grandchildren: Teri Lynn Patrick Ament (Brennen), Christopher Patrick (Jen), Ryan Jones (Suzi), Courtney Cook (Mason), Brooklyn Mead, Bobby Simmons, and Cullen Simmons, along with great-grandchildren Connor Ament, Cameron Ament, Dexter Wood, Logan Patrick, and Mason Patrick. Special mention to his only niece, Tracy Simmons.

Chuck's life was defined by his unwavering service and dedication. A proud veteran, he served in the Air Guard, Air Force, and Navy, retiring in 1985 after 29 years of honorable service, including as a Vietnam veteran. He was a lifetime member of the Disabled American Veterans and the Veterans of

Foreign Wars. Following his military career, he worked at Missouri State University until 2002.

Known for his reserved nature and stoic demeanor, Chuck found joy in his passions: barbecuing, collecting cookbooks, and building things. His commitment to his family and his country was evident, though he rarely showed his emotions outwardly. His love for the Pittsburgh Steelers was well-known, and he took pride in seeing his son, son-in-law, and grandson continue his legacy of military service.

In accordance with Chuck's wishes, there will be no services held. His ashes will be spread at sea by the United States Navy, honoring his lifelong commitment to his Country.

Raised in the Catholic faith, we take solace in remembering Chuck's life through Psalm 23:1-4:

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me."

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“ My name is Jim Gearing. I grew up with Chuck, or as we new him, Piggy on Mt Washington, Pittsburgh.Pa.He was one year a head of me in school at St Mary's of the Mount. We became friends when I was in second grade. Along with our other friend of the Meridan street gang. we did everything together. Baseball, basketball , tag football, and going to the public pool all summer. We would leave our homes in the morning and not come back until dinner. Chuck and I were in the Pa. Air National Guard . But chuck went full time Air Force and heading out west. We have kept in touch through the years and I will miss our birthdays calls every year. I could go on but enough said. He was a dear friend and I will miss him but the memories are always there.God bless you Chuck.

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Our love and sympathy goes out to the families.love Joe Tom and Dolores; Rodney;Rena and Mike.Brandi and Micco and Family!

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Love be with you to find comfort peace Lou in the next step of your journey in life

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