



# <u>Obituary</u>

**Samuel David Simmons**, affectionately known as "Sam", Poppy", "Uncle Sam", and "G.I. Joe" was born on June 9, 1932 in Newark, New Jersey. One of nine children born to the late Lillie Mae (Armour) Simmons and Samuel David Simmons, he succumbed to failing health on June 5, 2013.

Educated in the Newark School system, **SAM** attended Oliver Street School and East Side High School. After high school, **SAM** held various jobs in and around Newark, NJ.

In 1950, **SAM** met the woman who was the love of his life and would become his wife, the late Geraldine Toni Runner.

**SAM** found the job of a lifetime at the Cardolite Corporation, (formerly the 3-M Company), in Newark, NJ working his way up through the ranks to the position of Vice-President of Manufacturing, until his retirement in 1992.

**SAM** leaves with us his warm smile, kind thoughts, generosity, warm memories and tender love from this man whose life enriched those who knew him, loved him and thanked God for having been graced with his existence.

Surviving in his deep and enduring love **SAM** leaves his beloved daughter, Sandra; one sister, Joyce; one brother, Burton; one sister-in-law, Constance Worthen Simmons; nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews; and a host of other relatives and friends.







## <u>Cremation</u> Rosedale Crematory Orange, New Jersey

#### Dear Dad:

There were times when I failed to do or say the thoughtful things I might...when I appeared to take the wonderful things you do for granted... There were times when I didn't show you how important you were to me... But in spite of that, I hope you knew that I was always grateful for your precious love and you. I know nothing else can compare to the wonderful closeness, the warm understanding, and beautiful relationship we shared. I think how lucky I was to have you; I think of your lovable ways; I think of the comfort of being around you and how you always brought joy to my days. One thing is clear as can be...

> Life gives beautiful gifts - it gave me you! Love Always, -Sandra-



### Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say. Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever

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