



Moses A. Simmons, Sr.

Sunrise February 3, 1948 Sunset January 7, 2014

#### Service

Saturday, January 18, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

### Whigham Funeral Home

580 Martin Luther King Blvd. • Newark, New Jersey Pastor Christopher Michael Jones, Officiating

## <u>Obituary</u>

Moses A. Simmons St. was born on February 3, 1948 in Gordon, Georgia to the late Lonnie and Eula Mae Simmons. He was the ninth of fourteen children. Moses attended Hall Monroe School for the duration of his formal elementary education. He later went on to attend Calhoun High School in Irwinton, Georgia. After graduating high school in 1966, he worked at the Mineral & Chemical Company before moving to Miami, Florida.

Mr. Moses A. Simmons Sr. became a life-long resident of Newark, New Jersey in 1970 and immediately began work at St. Michael's Hospital. A year later he was employed by Lou Pasino Landscaping Company and worked there for approximately twenty-five years. After retirement, he became a janitor for the Newark Tenant Council until 2009. Moses enjoyed watching old western movies.

On September 9, 1977 he married Sylvia Simmons of Newark, New Jersey. The two would always serenade each other with one of their favorite songs by Otis Redding, "Sitting on the Dock of they Bay," and "Island in the Stream" by Dolly Parton & Kenny Rogers. Moses enjoyed providing for his children and taking them fishing with him.

Moses was preceded in death by: his wife of thirty-five years, Sylvia R. Simmons; three brothers, Robert, King and Samuel; two sisters, Ione and Betsy Lou. His spirit will be survived by: his children, Joanne and Veronica Tucker, Melissa, Moses, Jr. and Sylvia N. Simmons; step-children, Gary, Darryl, Robert (Treacy) and Robin; two grandchildren, Vanaisa and Al-Qaadir; seven step-grandchildren, Kamara, Michael, Chantell, Yusuf, Todja, Matthew, Jalen; two aunts, Ollie Wright and Kary Parks; eight siblings, Ola, David (Kim), Jacob (Josephine), Daniel, Mary, Elijah (Charlotte), Elizabeth and Thomas (Detric); and a host of loving nieces, nephews and friends.

# Order of Service

Opening Hymn	Minister Alfred Adams
Scripture Reading	Pastor Christopher Michael Jones
Prayer	Pastor Christopher Michael Jones
Selection	FBC Praise Team
Obituary Reading	Kamara Pettiford
Reflections (2 minutes please) .	Family and Friends
Selection	FBC Praise Team
Eulogy	Pastor Christopher Michael Jones
Final Viewing	
Benediction	Pastor Christopher Michael Jones
Recessional	

#### Cremation

Fairmount Crematory Newark, New Jersey

Following the service, the family will receive family and friends at

Finklins Hall

180 Jeliff Avenue

Newark, New Jersey 07108



"and it feels so GOOD"

Daddy,

We thank GOD for you. We are grateful that you were delivered to us and blessed us with your presence for sixty-five years. You were truly a good FATHER. Your children

### Acknowledgement

The family of Moses Simmons wishes to express their heartfelt gratitude for every act of love, kindness, and prayer shown to them during this time of bereavement. May God bless each of you!

Professional Services by:

# Whigham Funeral Home

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