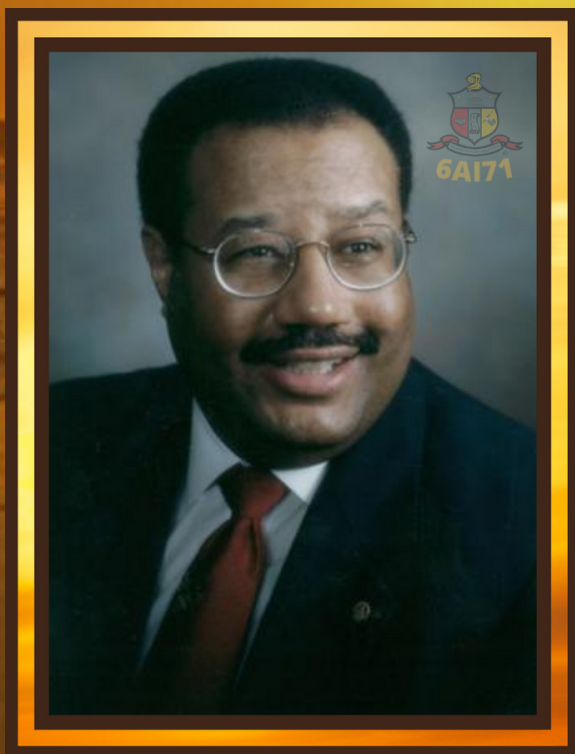


A Celebration of Life

Marshall B. Simmons



Sunrise
March 11, 1949

Sunset
December 28, 2020

Service

Tuesday, January 5, 2021

Plinton-Curry Funeral Home
428 Elizabeth Avenue
Somerset, New York 08873

Obituary

Marshall Bruce Simmons was born March 11, 1949 in Jersey City, NJ to the late Symon Marshall and Margaret Louise Simmons (Jackson). Marshall was called home on December 28, 2020 after a long illness.

Marshall was raised in Jersey City, NJ where he attended P.S. 15 and Snyder High School before moving to Annapolis, MD where he graduated from Annapolis High School. He then attended Morgan State University in Baltimore, MD where he was a part of ROTC and pledged Alpha Iota Chapter of *Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.* in 1971. While in college he met the love of his life, Mary Cox to whom he married in August 1974. After graduation Marshall went on to serve in the United States Army (2nd Lieutenant) and later worked for several industry leaders, including Xerox, 3M, Dean Witter, and FNIC before going into business for himself as a Financial Advisor where he serviced the needs of his clients until his death. Marshall was a life member of *Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.* and was actively involved and held many leadership roles within New Brunswick Alumni Chapter and the Northeastern Providence. For his hard work and commitment, he was recognized with the Northeastern Province's highest fraternal award, the James M. Kidd Award in 2003. Marshall enjoyed the brotherhood of the fraternity, his fraternity brothers were family to him.

Marshall gained a reputation for being an honest and wise advisor in many areas of life. Those that knew Marshall loved his jovial sense of humor and genuine caring attitude toward everyone he met.

Marshall is survived by his loving wife, Mary (Cookie) who took especially good care of Marshall through the duration of his illness and recovery; brother Curtis B. Simmons (Janice) of Elkridge, MD; son Andre' J. Simmons (Jessica) of Portland, OR; Son Marques P. Simmons (Donielle) of Cottage Grove, MN; Daughter Toya D. Williams (Ja-Reef) of Hamilton Square, NJ; Grandchildren (Kellen, Elise, Luna, Samara, and Baby Girl Williams); Beloved Aunt Doris Knight of Edgewater, MD and Cousin Evelyn Etheridge of New Canaan, CT; a multitude of nieces, nephews, cousins, and fraternity brothers.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the **Marshall B. Simmons Scholarship Fund** (c/o The Diamond Foundation). Please visit www.diamondfoundationinc.org/donate for more information.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Introduction / Words of Welcome

Prayer

Scripture Reading

Musical Selection

Formal Reading of Obituary

Eulogy/Life Tribute

Brief Informal Tributes

Thank you and Acknowledgements

Closing/Benediction

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

A Letter From Heaven

When tomorrow starts without me and I'm not there to see;
If the sun should rise and find your eyes all filled with tears for me.
I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you did today;
While thinking of the many things we didn't get to say.
I know how much you love me as much as I love you;
and each time that you think of me, I know you'll miss me too.
When tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart
For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.

- Alena Hakala Meadows

Acknowledgments

The family gratefully acknowledges the many kind and beautiful expressions of sympathy and love shown during their hours of bereavement.

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