



## David Martin Simmons

January 25, 1945 - January 6, 2016

David Martin Simmons, Jr., of Tyler, Texas, passed away peacefully on January 6, 2016 at the age of 70. Visitation for Mr. Simmons is scheduled from 5:30 - 7:00 PM on Sunday, January 10th at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, in Tyler. Recitation of the Rosary will follow at 7:00 PM.

Funeral Mass will be held on Monday, January 11th at 10:00 AM at the Chapel of Saints Peter and Paul with Bishop Joseph Strickland and Father Hank Lanik concelebrating.

David was born January 25, 1945 in Washington D.C. to David Martin Sr. and Mary Ruth Middleton Simmons. He graduated from Louisiana State University in 1967 with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. David married Rosmund Hart in Baton Rouge, Louisiana in December 1967. They moved to Sweeney, Texas where David worked for Phillips Petroleum Company. David transferred to Guayama, Puerto Rico, where he and Ro raised their family for thirteen years. After his tenure in Puerto Rico, they moved to Borger, Texas. Upon his retirement from Phillips 66, he and Ro moved to Tyler, where they have made their home for the last 16 years. He was an active member of Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and served as an usher at Sts. Peter and Paul Chapel.

David was preceded in death by his father, David Sr. and his brother, Robert. He is survived by his loving family including his wife of 48 years, Rosmund; his children, Diana Alvarez and husband Javier of Milwaukee, Wisconsin;

David III and his wife Heather of O'Fallon, Missouri; mother, Mary Ruth and sister, Carol Ann of Harvest, Alabama; brothers Tom Simmons of Callaway, Maryland and Frank Simmons of California, Maryland and John of Wildwood, Georgia; grandchildren, Alexis, Javier and Joaquin.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to American Cancer Society, 1301 S. Broadway, Tyler, 75701 or The Hospice of East Texas Foundation, 4111 University Blvd, Tyler, 75701.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 10. 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home  
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy  
Tyler, TX 75703  
(903) 581-2008

## Rosary

JAN 10. 7:00 PM (CT)

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7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy  
Tyler, TX 75703  
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## Funeral Mass

JAN 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

Chapel of Saints Peter and Paul  
1405 ESE Loop 323  
Tyler, TX 75701

# Tribute Wall

RM

“ So very sorry Cousin David passed away. Sincere condolences to his family and friends. Please be assured we share your grief. Our Heavenly Father called David to be with Him.

*With love,*

*Ron and Barbara Middleton*

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**Ronald J Middleton** - January 19, 2016 at 10:48 AM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of David Martin Simmons.



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January 10, 2016 at 02:02 PM



“ When I was teaching with Diana in 2003 at Allen-Field (I was in a long-term subbing position for her partner), we were passing out something to the students. Some of them wanted to choose what they got. And Diana responded, "You get what you get, and you don't throw a fit." I absolutely loved that quip. Diana told me it was what her father had always said to them while growing up. I have used that phrase in teaching ever since!

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**Joanna Gerow** - January 10, 2016 at 10:20 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of David Martin Simmons.*



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January 09, 2016 at 08:14 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of David Martin Simmons.*



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January 09, 2016 at 08:09 PM



“ *Billi Jean lit a candle in memory of David Martin Simmons*



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**Billi Jean** - January 09, 2016 at 10:58 AM



“ *Our prayers are with you and your family, Ro. May David rest in peace, and may God grant him eternal rest in the loving arms of Christ our Savior.*  
*Love and peace,*  
*Linda Edmondson*

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**Linda Edmondson** - January 09, 2016 at 09:41 AM

MB

“ To the Simmons family, My deepest condolences on the loss of Mr. Simmons. I have nothing but great memories of you everyone in your family growing up in Guayama. Lots of love. Margarita Bauza (Detroit, Michigan)

Margarita Bauza - January 09, 2016 at 08:30 AM

CL

“ Cathy Lay lit a candle in memory of David Martin Simmons



cathy lay - January 08, 2016 at 09:33 PM

MR

“ Sweet Ro, I am sorry for your loss. May Our Lord, Jesus Christ give you strength and peace and His loving arms will comfort you. YSIC-Monica Reyes

Monica Reyes - January 08, 2016 at 02:47 PM

MM

“ Metrum team members purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of David Martin Simmons.



Metrum team members - January 08, 2016 at 12:03 PM

SC

“ My dearest Ro we offer you love and prayers from all the Tyler Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. We are with you in thought and prayers. Thank you David for your unselfishness in sharing Ro with us for so many years. Your moral support to her helped so many. May God bless you with grace as you complete your journey home. We are here for you dear Ro to support and help as needed. We love you. Sheila Coté

Sheila Coté - January 07, 2016 at 09:16 PM

AM

“ Ro, My deepest condolences to you and your children. I know that you are in such a very sad place right now, but I hope that it is soon filled with the wonderful, happy memories of your life with David.  
~Drin~

Adrienne Morgan - January 07, 2016 at 06:16 PM

JT

“ We are so very sorry to hear this news about David. Sending lots of prayers to his wife and the rest of the family. Love Joe and Teresa Middleton

joe and teresa - January 07, 2016 at 02:51 PM

MG

“ Michelle Garvert lit a candle in memory of David Martin Simmons



michelle garvert - January 07, 2016 at 08:39 AM

MG

*Ro,  
So sorry to hear about David. Peggy had told me recently she had seen on Facebook about David.  
Remember all the little business trips we had taken together & church functions we had been involved with. Decorating the church at Christmas together... He will be missed.  
Love,  
Bob & Michelle*

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**michelle garvert** - January 07, 2016 at 08:42 AM

CL

*Ro my heart weeps with yours. I love you and pray that our precious Savior comforts you with the knowledge that David is safely Home. Please call on me if I can help you in any way.*

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**cathy lay** - January 08, 2016 at 09:32 PM

MP

*“ I am so very sorry to hear the sad news. David was so concerned about my sister, Joyce, and his cousin, Joe, and he was gathering information for them about their cancer and he had no idea that he had it himself. My thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Rosmund, Aunt Mary Ruth and the rest of the family as they deal with the shock and tragedy of his death. Sending hugs.*



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**Mary Pruitt** - January 07, 2016 at 07:55 AM