



Mr. John Lewis Simpkins

July 18, 1941 - March 31, 2024

SIMPKINS, Mr. John Lewis - Age 82, passed away Sunday, March 31, 2024 at McLaren-Port Huron. Family Hour 10:00 AM Friday, April 12, 2024 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 10:30 AM. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd., Holly, Michigan. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the chapel 10:00 AM Friday. Mr. Simpkins will lie in state in the chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM Thursday. John Lewis Simpkins was born 07/18/1941 in Postelle, Arkansas the son of Wesley and Louella Simpkins. He loved to keep busy with his hands, always working on some project and building or renovating something. He was an ardent reader who would listen for hours to speeches and documentaries of several great black heroes and civil rights leaders like Malcolm X and Martin Luther King, Jr. He had recently become an avid YouTube watcher, enjoying documentaries on history, watching many gospel quartets and videos, especially Rance Allen and Shirley Ceasar.

John was a very kind and generous person who loved his family and was always willing to help whenever he could without being asked. He was a very noble and private man but could also be quite a jokester getting one in on you just when you least expected it. He had a great sense of humor and an infectious and warm laugh. He will be deeply missed.

John Lewis Simpkins leaves to cherish his memory: 2 daughters, Darneese and Daneen Simpkins of Flint, MI; 5 sons, Douglas Ivory, Memphis, TN;

Danny Simpkins of Louisiana; Darryl Simpkins of Ohio; Tyric Thomas, Birch Run, MI; grandchildren, Roderick Thomas of Maumelle, AR, Douglas Ivory, Jr of Memphis, TN, D'yante & D'Nisha Simpkins, Kenneth "Hotfoot" Simpkins, Novi, MI; Tonajee Thomas and Tyrick Thomas all of Flint, MI, Latonya, Pamela and Shannon Ivory of Memphis, TN; LaTasha Simpkins, Lativa Simpkins, Sade Drumwright, all of Flint, MI; great-grandchildren, Yasmine Robinson, Isaiah Thomas, RaMello & RaMani Robinson, Lennox Fielder, Demonni and Tayvious Thomas, Jacari Smith, Remi Simpkins, Roderick Jr and Raylon Thomas, Liam and Emily Rose Ivory; sisters, Jerdine Snell and C.L. Booth all of Flint, MI, Gloria Hanson of Mt. Morris, MI; brother, Floyd Simpkins of Mt. Morris, MI; a host of aunts, nephews, nieces, other relatives and friends survive to cherish his memory.

John was preceded in death by his sons, Douglas Ivory and Willie Mathis; parents, Wesley and Louella Simpkins; grandparents, Doc and Lizzie Page; wives, Ethel Simpkins and Tempie Ann Simpkins; sisters, Clara Spiller, Emma Jean Simpkins, Veria Pitts, Loretta Young and Shirley Ann Carter; brothers, Calvin Simpkins, Charles Simpkins, his twin, James "Joe" Simpkins.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

G-4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Viewing

APR 11. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
Flint, MI 48505
(810) 789-MOON (6666)
lemoonfhflint@gmail.com
<http://www.lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

Family hour

APR 12. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

APR **12**. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mr. John Lewis Simpkins*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - April 12, 2024 at 09:05 AM

CD

I'm trying to join in the service

Carla Simpkins Davis - April 12, 2024 at 10:42 AM

GS

I wasn't there in person, but was blessed to be able to view the service it was beautiful I love you all and praying for strength love joy and restoration ❤️🙏

Gwendolyn Simpkins - April 12, 2024 at 01:31 PM

CB

My cousin and I have known him all of my life. He is resting now. God has spoken let the church say amen

Carrie Maxey Bobo - April 19, 2024 at 09:08 AM

CD

“ *Carla Simpkins Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Lewis Simpkins*



Carla Simpkins Davis - April 12, 2024 at 10:39 AM

MS

“ *Mr.Danny And Mrs.Lisa Simpkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Lewis Simpkins*



Mr.Danny and Mrs.Lisa Simpkins - April 11, 2024 at 09:19 PM

DS

“ *Danny Simpkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Lewis Simpkins*



Danny Simpkins - April 11, 2024 at 09:18 PM

IG

“ *Ivory grands & great grands planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. John Lewis Simpkins.*

Ivory grands & great grands - April 11, 2024 at 11:58 AM

IG

“ *Ivory grands & great grands purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. John Lewis Simpkins.*



Ivory grands & great grands - April 11, 2024 at 11:58 AM

JB

“ *Juan&Tonya Booth lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Lewis Simpkins*



Juan&Tonya Booth - April 09, 2024 at 11:51 AM

DM

“ *Prayers, hugs and condolences to the Simpkins family.*



Deb Milling - April 08, 2024 at 10:53 AM

NL

“ *Pastor Norman L. & Missy. Sharon Booker*



Norman L.Booker - April 05, 2024 at 10:07 PM



“ *Prayers for my Extended family 🙏❤️☐☐*



Renee Thompson-Jones - April 05, 2024 at 07:20 AM



“ *Sheila Johnson-Toins lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Lewis Simpkins*



Sheila Johnson-Toins - April 04, 2024 at 06:22 AM