



Alex B. Simmons

May 30, 1945 - March 4, 2018

Alex B. Simmons changed his address on March 4, 2018. He is now experiencing a life free of worries, pain and health issues! Psalms 91:16 "With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation."

The wake will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday, March 9, at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Manteno. Masonic rites will be given at 7 p.m. An additional time of viewing will be from 9 a.m. on Saturday until the 10 a.m. funeral services at First Baptist Church in Manteno. Pastor David Peterman and Associate Pastor De Abbott will be leading the service.

A viewing at First Baptist Church of Cutler will be from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 11. Graveside services and the Steelville American Legion Color Guard Gun Salute will follow in Cutler Cemetery in Cutler. Tim Blair, of Harrisburg, N.C., will be leading the graveside service.

Alex was born on May 31, 1945, in Cave-in-Rock. Preceding him in death were his parents, Reddie and Ava Pennell Simmons and one brother, Bob Simmons.

Surviving are his wife, Cynthia E. Blair Simmons, whom he married on July 25, 1970; two sons, Jonathan Alex Simmons, of Bourbonnais, and Justin Michael Simmons and special friend, Cathy Mau, and daughter, Isabella

Corona, of Chebanse. Also surviving are his brother, Ronnie and Ruth Duchene Simmons, of Herscher; his sister, Phyllis Renchen, of Manteno; sister and brother-in-law, Earl and Jane Fryer, of Cutler; brother and sister-in-law, Bob and Brenda Blair, of Powhatan, Va.; sister-in-law, Norma Simmons, formerly of Manteno; and many nieces and nephews.

Alex retired from Recycled Paper Products as a warehouse person in 2007. He was Past Master five times at Manteno Masonic Lodge 6. He attended Kankakee Community College for one year and graduated from mortuary school in Chicago. He worked for two years at Harvey-Brown-Long Funeral Home in Manteno.

He served a two-year duty with the U.S. Army in Erlangen, Germany, during the Cold War. The Vietnam War was also in progress. He was a Spec. 5 Acting Sergeant and drove an M-60-A1 tank and was discharged in January of 1968. He was active in the Manteno American Legion.

Alex enjoyed camping and travel in their motor home around the United States. His tool collection was also his enjoyment during retirement years.

He was a wonderful husband, father and protector of his family.

Cemetery Details

Cutler Cemetery

Cutler, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 9. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Manteno - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
291 N. Main St.
Manteno, IL 60950
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Service

MAR 10. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
300 E. 3rd St.
Manteno, IL 60950

Visitation

MAR 11. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Cutler, IL
306 3rd St.
Cutler, IL 62238

Graveside Service

MAR 11. 3:00 PM (CT)

Cutler Cemetery
Cutler, IL

Tribute Wall



Richard Eller

“ *Richard Eller lit a candle in memory of Alex B. Simmons*



Richard Eller - March 19, 2018 at 10:22 PM



JC

“ *Julie Cavitt lit a candle in memory of Alex B. Simmons*



Julie Cavitt - March 15, 2018 at 02:30 PM



DR

“ *Dodie Russell lit a candle in memory of Alex B. Simmons*



dodie russell - March 09, 2018 at 03:58 PM



KB

“ *Sending prayers and love to the Simmons family. I remember Bernell and Cynthia picking me up and taking me to church when I was little. Also lots of great memories when he would come visit my Grandma Juanell and I would be there. Goodbye cousin. You will be missed. Kim (Patton) Basham.*

Kimberly Jo Basham - March 08, 2018 at 09:41 AM

BP

“ *Billy D. Patton lit a candle in memory of Alex B. Simmons*



Billy D. Patton - March 07, 2018 at 08:12 PM

BP

RIP, friend...

Billy D. Patton - March 07, 2018 at 08:14 PM

PH

“ *Hey tanker, I'll miss you brother. We had good times together and it probably won't be a great while before I join you. Sorry, I won't be there for your services. My sympathy goes out to your wife, Cynthia, and the rest of the family.*

Park

PARK HOLLENBECK - March 06, 2018 at 06:13 PM