

## James E Simmons

May 16, 1931 - May 30, 2018

James E. Simmons, 87, of Bluffton, passed away Wednesday morning, May 30, 2018, at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

Jim was born on May 16, 1931 in Edinburg, Indiana to Robert Simmons and Edna Ruth (Mathis) Simmons. Jim graduated from Mount Summit High School in 1950.

On October 1, 1951, Jim joined the Air Force fighting for our freedom. Jim was married to Emma Banks in 1955, for 8 months prior to her death. He married Francis Powell in 1968, and they had a son Robert Allen Simmons on June 7, 1970. Francis passed away in July 1970. Jim returned to Indiana in 1971, where he met Ollive (Humphrey). The two were married in 1979 and had a great marriage until her death in 2007.

Jim worked at Corning Glass for 10 years, Mix Mill and Blunt for 10 years. Upon semi-retirement, Jim worked at the Save-on-Liquor South in Bluffton for 10 years until his retirement in 2005.

Jim loved fighting for our country and freedom. He loved to fish, camp and was an avid bowler. He loved his family, especially his children. Jim enjoyed country music and dancing. His family was made up of musicians.

Jim is survived by his two children Sheryl Delmas and Robert Simmons, one step-son, Louis Humphrey; seven grandchildren Heather Humphrey, Jamee Humphrey, Jose Delmas, Oriana Delmas, Ross Simmons, Destiny Green, and Kristopher Simmons, along with three great-grandchildren Conner, Brooklyn and Dakota.

Friends are encouraged to visit with the family from 4 to 6 PM on Thursday (June 7th) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home. Funeral services will take place following calling at 6 P.M. on Thursday at the funeral home with Minister Harold Driver and Evangelist Tim Tyner officiating. Memorials may be made to the family through the funeral home.

Friends may send online condolences to [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com). Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 7. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

## Celebration of Life Service

JUN 7. 6:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James E Simmons*



Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home - June 07, 2018 at 05:26 PM



“ *James E Simmons*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *So sorry to hear that Uncle Ed passed away. We had not heard anything about or from him since Bill had passed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Kathleen (Reagan)Phillips*

Kathleen Phillips - June 17, 2018 at 10:21 PM



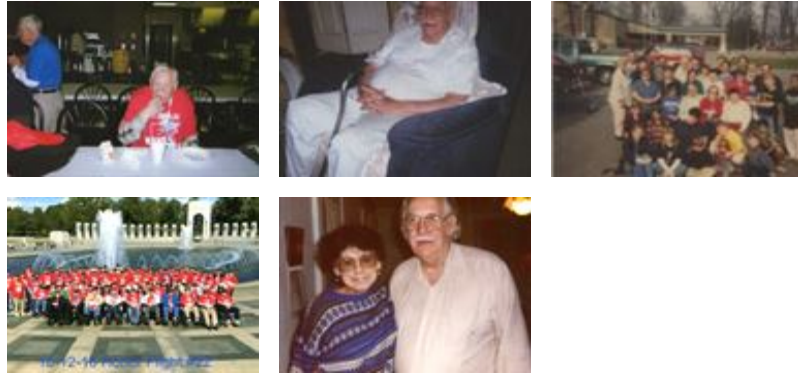
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Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home - June 07, 2018 at 04:18 PM



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Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - June 07, 2018 at 01:24 PM

PH

“ Pamela Hultz lit a candle in memory of James E Simmons



Pamela Hultz - June 04, 2018 at 04:09 PM

RM

“ Rose (Hultz) Marshall lit a candle in memory of James E Simmons



Rose (Hultz) marshall - June 04, 2018 at 04:07 PM

JW

“ *Judi Worthington lit a candle in memory of James E Simmons*



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**Judi Worthington** - June 04, 2018 at 03:34 PM

JW

“ *I am so sorry to hear of his passing. He was a very nice gentleman and will be truly missed by a lot of people.*

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**Judi Worthington** - June 04, 2018 at 03:33 PM