

Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.



Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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In Loving Memory of



Deacon Charles Simmons

Sunrise

January 24, 1931

Sunset

February 16, 2014

Service

Friday, February 21, 2014 - 10:00 a.m.

CANAAN BAPTIST CHURCH

131 Pomona Avenue
Newark, New Jersey

Rev. Michael Fisher, Officiating

Order of Service

- Musical Prelude Organist
- Processional Clergy and Family
- Selection Choir
- Scripture Readings
Old Testament - 90th Division of Psalms 1-10
New Testament - John 14:1-3
- Prayer of Comfort
- Selection Sis. Gloria Fisher - "God Specializes"
- Reflections
- Acknowledgements, Condolences
& Resolution Sis. Diane Fairfax
- Obituary Sis. Diane Fairfax
- Selection Rev. Michael Fisher
- Selection..... Alicia Fairfax - "His Eye Is On The Sparrow"
- EulogyRev. Michael Fisher
- Recessional "I'll Fly Away" - Clergy and Family

Interment
Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

*You are invited to join the family at the Canaan Baptist Church
for repast immediately following Interment.*

The Legacy of

Deacon Charles Simmons, Sr.
(Affectionately known as C.F.)

*Come unto me all ye that labor, and are heavy laden and I will
give you rest. Matt. 11:28*

Charles Simmons, Sr., the son and only child of the late Julius and
Rushie-Pearl Simmons was born on January 24, 1931 in Brundige,
Alabama. Known to some as C.F. and Charlie he grew up in
Brundige where he received his early childhood education.

Charles went on to become a great baseball player and was drafted
into the St. Louis Cardinals Minor League where he actually met
and pitched against Willie Mays. He later blew out his knee and
went on to marry his childhood sweetheart the late Barbara Jean
Craig. To this union they had four children.

He worked at Otis Elevator, then was the manager of Lyons Lanes
Bowling Alley for many years before retiring as a warehouseman
for ACME Markets. He was ordained a Deacon at the Canaan
Baptist Church in 1984 where he was still on the Board and a very
active and vocal member. He loved his church very much. He
resided at the J.C. White Senior Building in Newark, NJ where
when he was able he liked to help people whenever he could.

He leaves to continue on his celebration of life: four children,
Charles Simmons, Jr., Kurt Simmons, Sr., Derek Simmons, Sr.,
and his only daughter the apple of his eye and the keeper of his
heart, Sondra Jean Simmons. He also leaves two daughters-in-law,
Brenda and Malinda Simmons; nine grandchildren, two great
grandchildren, a cousin/sister, Billie Liptrot, companion and
friend, Juanita Brown; and a host of other loved ones and friends.

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