



PALLBEARERS

- LaQuin Bryant
- Jacob Reid
- Henry Peace Jr
- Tequandre Rashad Smith
- Kajuante Zenas Smith
- Jarant Varner

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

- Gerald Droze
- Wilson Brown
- Curtis Jack
- Fritz Simmons

IN APPRECIATION

The family of the late Henry Levi Simmons, Sr. has been deeply blessed by your many acts of kindness and support during the passing of our loved one. Your presence, calls, visits, gifts, prayers and all acts of compassion will always be a beacon of hope and a strong pillar of faith for our lives. May God forever bless and keep you.

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*A Celebration of Life of*  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF



*Henry*  
LEVI  
SIMMONS, SR.

FEBRUARY 2, 1934 – AUGUST 28, 2025

Tuesday, September 2, 2025 | 11:00 A.M.  
GREATER ST. JAMES AME CHURCH  
1831 Jedburg Road | Summerville, SC

- INTERMENT -  
Greater St. James AME Church Cemetery  
Summerville, SC

# LIFE Reflection

Henry Levi Simmons, Sr. was born February 2, 1934, in Moncks Corner, South Carolina. He was the son of the late Eugene Simmons and Maggie Morton Simmons. On Thursday morning, August 28, 2025, he entered into eternal rest.

Henry was educated in Berkeley County public schools. Prior to working, Henry was tasked with taking care of his younger siblings. He did this faithfully for many years. He was employed by Branton Lumber for a short time and later worked at Harvey's Farm for over 60 years. During his 60 year tenure with Harvey's Farm, he attended training to become a state certified Chemical Applicator.

On April 21, 1957, Henry was united in Holy Matrimony to Rodella Smith Simmons (preceded in death). To this union four children were born: Iris Elaine Simmons (preceded in death), Henry L. Simmons Jr., Fabian Simmons (preceded in death) and Velma T. Simmons.

Henry was an active member of Greater St. James AME Church and served faithfully. He was a Class Leader, member of the Trustee Board, Church Custodian and a member of the Male Choir.

Henry enjoyed gardening, farming and raising livestock. He could drive any tractor but his least favorite was the highboy tractor. He was a very strong man. His size did not match his strength. He will be remembered for his loving generosity, his quiet strength, his sense of humor and his unwavering faith in God.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his children Henry (Sylvia) Simmons, Jr. and Evangelist Velma T. Simmons; two grandchildren, Matthew (JaNece) Simmons and Jasmine (Maris) Pichon: five great-grandchildren, Clover Simmons, Journee Pichon, Maris "Tripp" Pichon III, Cree Simmons

and Giselle Pichon; one sibling, Envie Simmons; in-laws, Sarah Simmons, Virginia Simmons, Sinclair Jackson, Geraline Simmons, York Smith, Mary Harleston, Julie Mazyck and Walter Smith; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

In addition to his wife Rodella and his children Iris and Fabian, Henry was preceded in death by siblings, James Simmons, Curlin Simmons, Clarence Simmons, and Rose Jackson; in-laws, Annie Lee Simmons, Lizzie Pou, Moses Smith, Eliza Peace.

## Safely Home

*I am home in heaven, dear ones;  
oh, so happy and so bright!  
There is a perfect joy and beauty  
in the everlasting light.*

*All the pain and grief is over,  
every restless tossing passed;  
I am now at peace forever,  
safely home in heaven at last.*

*There is work still waiting for you,  
so you must not idly stand, do it now,  
while life remaineth-you shall  
rest in God's own land.*

*When that work is all completed,  
He will gently call you home;  
oh, the rapture of that meeting oh,  
joy to see you come!*

# ORDER OF Service

*Reverend Dr. Archie R. Fair, Officiating*

Prelude

Processional.....Clergy and Family

Opening Hymn of Praise..... *It is Well with My Soul*

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Myron Foxworth

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament – Psalm 23.....Rev. Leonard Simmons

New Testament – John 14:1-7.....Apostle Allen H. Simmons

Selection.....Greater St. James AMEC Choir

Reflections

Church.....Bro. Ronnie Mathis

Friend.....Edwin Harvey/Marietta Harvey Hicks

Caregiver.....Bro. Jacob Reid

Family..... Mrs. Jasmine Pichon

Mr. Henry Simmons Jr.

Selection.....Greater St. James AMEC Choir

Acknowledgements

Solo.....Sis. Monique Pringle

Eulogy.....Evangelist Velma T. Simmons

Viewing

Recessional

Committal

Benediction

Interment

