

Obituary

"I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me." Galatians 2:20 KJV

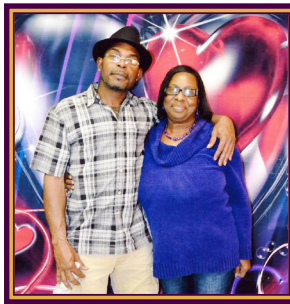
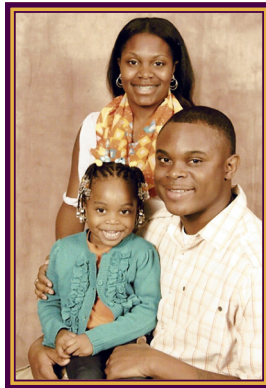
Minister Ellaree Tolbert Simpkins was born in Aiken County, South Carolina to the late Angie Earl and Jesse Tolbert Sr. on November 1, 1950. She was united in holy matrimony to the late Charles Simpkins Sr. on December 7, 1968.

Ellaree was a faithful member of Building The Kingdom Ministries, Johnston, SC, where she served as an associate minister. Aside from her religious obligations, Ellaree loved to watch her favorite television shows, "Perry Mason", "Matlock", "Gunsmoke", The Hallmark Channel and Christian television broadcasts. Ellaree also enjoyed shopping and was well-regarded for being a stylish lady. She will be fondly remembered as a prayer warrior and a devoted servant of God.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her son, William Dion Tolbert Simpkins, a brother, Ernest Lewis Tolbert, brothers-in-law, Raphael Jackson, Robert Simpkins and Arthur Simpkins.

She leaves to cherish her memory: two sons, Charles Simpkins Jr. and Ernest Lamar Simpkins both of Graniteville, SC; one daughter, Kimberly (Gene) Robinson, Augusta, GA; six grandchildren, Lacey Page, Bryon Page Jr., Shania Page, Jalen Simpkins, Bria Simpkins and Kayla Curry; four great-grandchildren, Karrington Simpkins, Javon Simpkins, Braylen Harris and Ellis Jo Page; one brother, Jesse Tolbert (Frances), Washington, DC; four sisters, Mary Green (Ernest), Augusta, GA, Min. Elaine Jackson, Aiken, SC, Vickie Drumming (Michael) and Detra Earl both of San Antonio, TX; her in-laws, Florence Bowers (Dr. Joseph), Albuquerque, NM, Jennifer Bennett (Eugene), Augusta, GA, Dorothy Dicks, Powder Springs, GA, Barbara McCarty and Donald Simpkins both of Aiken, SC, Valerie Nesbitt (Donas), Smyrna, GA, Tammer Roberts, Columbia, SC, Tom Simpkins Jr., Aiken, SC, Terrell Dugger (Steve), Waldorf, MD, Tanya Smith (Lee), Charlotte, NC and Rebecca Crawford, Charlotte, NC; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends

Precious Memories



Order of Service

Reverend David Matthews, Presiding
Pastor, Pine Grove Baptist Church

Prelude

Processional Clergy and Simpkins Family

Selection Trumpet In Zion Fellowship

Scriptures:

Old Testament Minister Jane Wise

New Testament Rev. Elvie Bryant

Prayer of Comfort Sis. Zenobia Richardson

Reflections (Please limit to 2 minutes)

As a Church Member Sis. Danette Bacon

As a Family Member Sis. Marilyn Griffin

Tribute from the Children

Selection Min. Evon Bethel
"I Pray We'll Be Ready"

Acknowledgements Sis. Ann Simpkins

Poem Sis. Elaine Simpkins

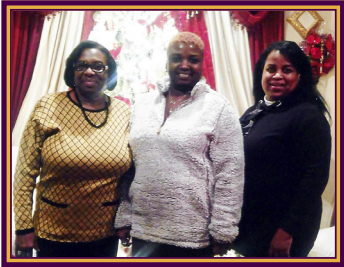
Selection Sis. Gina Wilson
"It Is Well With My Soul"

Eulogy Bishop Billy Smith, Pastor
Building The Kingdom Ministries, Johnston, SC

Recessional

Interment Sunset Memorial Gardens
2648 Jefferson Davis Highway, Graniteville, SC

Precious Memories, Cont'd



Pallbearers
Family and Friends

Flower Bearers
Nieces

"Miss Me But Let Me Go"

When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little-but not too long
And not with your head bowed low
Remember the love that we once shared
Miss me-but let me go
For this is a journey that we all must take
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the Master's plan
A step on the road to home
When you are lonely and sick of heart
Go to the friends we know
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds
Miss me but let me go.

By Christina Georgina Rossetti

Acknowledgements

The family of *Minister Ellaree Tolbert Simpkins* wishes to thank each of you for the loving compassion that you have shown during our time of bereavement. We thank God for your prayers, visits, food preparation, numerous calls, floral arrangements, and other expressions of sympathy.

The family extends a special appreciation to Building The Kingdom Ministries, Pine Grove Baptist Church, and Trumpet In Zion Fellowship.

Repast

The Simpkins Residence
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A Service of Triumph for

Minister Ellaree Tolbert Simpkins



Alpha

November 1, 1950

Omega

October 23, 2021

Saturday, October 30, 2021 | 12:00 Noon



Pine Grove Baptist Church

250 Merriweather Drive | Graniteville, South Carolina

BISHOP BILLY SMITH, EULOGIST