



## Donna Jean Simmons

April 6, 1941 - October 18, 2018

Surrounded by her loving family singing 'Amazing Grace' to her, Donna Simmons, age 77, of Dunnegan, Missouri, passed away Thursday, October 18, 2018, at Citizens Memorial Hospital in Bolivar, Mo.

She was born April 6, 1941 to George T. (Tom) and Myrtle Leota (Broyles) Harris. She had three sisters: Betty Smith, Pat Barnes, Nancy Stockton and one Brother: Jerry Harris. Donna was saved at an early age. In her later years she attended the Spring Creek Presbyterian Church.

On January 5, 1957 she was united in marriage to Charles H. Simmons. To this union were born three sons: Ronald Matthew, Donald Mark, John William and two daughters: Teresa Elaine and Penny Lynn.

When she was 48, she went back to school and received her GED. She was a dispatcher at Humansville City Police Department for 2 years. Then she became a dietary supervisor at Stockton Nursing Home for 22 years. Next, she worked at Parkview Nursing Home until her retirement.

She loved nature, gardening, flowers and especially humming birds. Every spring she would put out multiple humming bird feeders for her enjoyment. Her life centered around her family. She spent many pleasurable years working their family farm planting, gardening and canning. Along with her sons

she put up hay and helped feed the cows. And how she could sew! She would sew dresses and shirts for the family. One of their fondest memories are the western shirts she would sew for her boys. She was a caregiver for her mother and she spent many heartfelt hours baby-sitting her grandchildren.

She is survived by her five children and their spouses: Ronald (Daniele), Mark (Kathy), John (Cindy), Teresa and Penny; fourteen grandchildren; seventeen great-grandchildren; one brother, Jerry Harris; and a dear friend, Willa Hammons.

Donna was the kind of person who will be deeply missed by all who truly knew and loved her.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, October 21, 2018 from 1:00 -3:00 at the Butler Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be at 10:00 AM, on Monday, October 22, 2018, at the Butler Funeral Home, with burial to follow at Lindley Prairie Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Lindley Prairie Cemetery

Bear Creek, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **21**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Butler Funeral Home - Bolivar  
407 E. Broadway  
Bolivar, MO 65613  
(417) 326-5233  
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## Funeral Service

OCT **22**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Donna Jean Simmons*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Donna Jean Simmons*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *As a member of Donna's church, my husband and I extend our sympathies for your loss. She embraced us with her gentle kindness. Connie & Jim Larson*

**Connie Larson** - October 21, 2018 at 10:59 AM



“ *To John and the rest of the family of Donna, you are in my thoughts and prayers. I have very fond memories of your mother as a PTA parent and friend while I was at the Fair Play School. What a tribute to her as you all sang "Amazing Grace" at her bedside.*



**Nancy Gallatin** - October 20, 2018 at 04:44 PM



“ *My sincere sympathy to the family of Donna, Donna was a classmate of mine Class of 59, I enjoyed having lunch with Donna on our Wednesday luncheons. We will certainly miss her. She was such a friendly and cheerful lady to be having lunch with. Nadine (Anderson) Perkins.*

**Nadine Perkins** - October 20, 2018 at 10:06 AM

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*I'll remember Donna as a good friend and neighbor many years ago. By now she is resting in the arms of Jesus. Prayers for her beloved family. Donna was always a good daughter, wife, mother and grandmother...she will be missed!*

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**Carol Murphy** - November 03, 2018 at 10:06 PM