



## Marjorie J. "Marge" Simmons

March 9, 1935 - May 5, 2024

Marjorie J. "Marge" Simmons, 89, lifelong resident of Indianapolis, passed away May 5, 2024. She was born March 9, 1935 to the late William Joseph and Nellie Virginia (Sexson) Bush. Marge was a graduate of Shortridge High School. She married Edward Joseph Simmons, June 17, 1975, and together they owned and operated Ed & Marge's Cafeteria, retiring in 2006. He preceded her in death October 1, 2018. After retiring, she opened one of the first doggy bakeries in Fishers, IN. Marge loved going to Indiana Grand Casino and she loved face painting children at annual fall festivals. She also enjoyed cooking for her family and friends, and was always ready to have fun!

Visitation will be Friday, May 10, 2024 from 12:30 p.m. until the time of service at 2:30 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 East Washington Street.

Marge is survived by her children, Sherri J. Dean (Alfred) and James "J.D." Holly (Diana); step-children, Edward Simmons (Jeannie) and Diane Curran; grandchildren, Adam D. Dean (Melissa), Evan S. Dean, and James Drew Holly II; four step-grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

A special thanks to all of the employees at Springhurst Health Campus, Greenfield, Indiana.

# Cemetery Details

## Washington Park East

10612 E. Washington St.  
Indianapolis, IN 46229

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 10.** 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel  
9606 E. Washington Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46229  
(317) 897-9606  
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

## Funeral Service

**MAY 10.** 2:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

CM

“ I attended Nellie's funeral, ( Margie's mother) the pastor that officiated said that we should all think about all of the qualities we admired about her. We should take those qualities and make them a part of us, then she would live on in us.

Wow, I have shared that with so many who have lost loved ones. Now sweet Margie, I think of the qualities I admire about you. that I want to be sure are a part of me!

How do I list them all, impossible. I know you were so smart, you always always had ideas that were new and wonderful. I loved your friendship and how you always dared to take a chance. Open a restaurant, add me to the team, make me fry liver. Then find a new one in downtown Indy , Ted and Marge's. You were so excited just had to scape off the T and capitalize the E and then move it to a bigger place. We fried so much chicken that day!!

You opened a dog treat bakery when that wasn't even a thought. We baked so many dog cookies!! You fell, hurt your ankle said we could not go to Vegas! Oh yes we did, you in a wheel chair with me pushing!

My children wanted to go to your restaurant on spring break to ride the dumb waiter (Ed put them in ) to the top floor.

You asked if you could store some things in my 4 car garage.... sure I said.. what????? you bought the all the equipment from a pie shop Filled the garage! so much more!! Sold it all for a profit too! Your business sense, yes you were so smart!

I will take the quality of love for those in your life! Family and Friends, I will take your fearlessness to try new things I will take you blunt opinion, it was generally right! You could always calm me when life was tough. You laughed, really laughed and enjoyed life.

I am so glad that we were neighbors, and friends. That you were a part of my children's life. That we pitched in our dinners to cook out and share and maybe drink some wine. (finding my wine glasses in

*your garage sale was a little shocking) Your answer was "I wondered where those came from" haha*

*I will see you again in Heaven. I am sure you are there. Please do not try to rearrange everything, even though it would make things more efficient.*

*We will all miss you, but we will never forget you Never. Tell Ed and Nellie hello from us. Love you forever your buddy, Chris I'm so sorry I can not be there. I am in spirit for sure .*

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**Chris Miller** - May 09, 2024 at 07:12 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marjorie J. "Marge" Simmons.*



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May 08, 2024 at 06:23 PM



“ *Bryan Smith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marjorie J. "Marge" Simmons.*

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**Bryan Smith** - May 08, 2024 at 06:23 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marjorie J. "Marge" Simmons.*



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May 08, 2024 at 09:34 AM

BK

“ Brian, Lissa, Lucy, and Kyle planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marjorie J. "Marge" Simmons.

Brian, Lissa, Lucy, and Kyle - May 08, 2024 at 09:34 AM

ES

“ Jimmy and Sherry, we are so sorry to hear of Marge's passing. We loved her so much and always had such a great time with her. Whenever we were visiting I would run around tagging or hitting the casino or shopping with Marge while Ed visited his dad. She had so much energy and fun! I'm sorry we can't be there with you but we are sending our love. She will always be in our hearts. Love Ed, Jean and Matthew. ❤️❤️



ED AND JEAN SIMMONS - May 08, 2024 at 07:35 AM

JF

“ Josh Hardin and Family purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Marjorie J. "Marge" Simmons.



Josh Hardin and Family - May 07, 2024 at 08:08 PM

JF

“ Josh Hardin and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marjorie J. "Marge" Simmons.

Josh Hardin and Family - May 07, 2024 at 08:08 PM