



William O. "Owen/Bill" Simmons Sr.

November 19, 1923 - December 12, 2015

William O. "Owen/Bill" Simmons Sr.

92, of Indianapolis passed away December 12, 2015. He was born in French Lick, IN., where he remained until his service in WWII. He was a proud veteran, who felt honored to serve his country. He also served in the Korean War. Owen was a dependable and trusting person with a kind spirit. After returning from his service in WWII, he married his lifelong love, Madeleine. They eventually moved to Chicago where their two children were born. After leaving Chicago, they lived in a number of states, eventually settling in Orlando, FL. His career (Martin Marietta in Florida and Northrop in Illinois) took Madeleine and Owen back to their travels in later years. They eventually retired in their home state of Indiana. Owen was preceded in death by his wife (Madeleine) in Nov. 2008 and his son (Bill Jr.) in Jan. 2013. He was also preceded in death by 4 siblings. He is survived by one daughter, Joyce Armstrong, 3 siblings, many nieces and nephews, and much extended family. His family would also like to thank the Brookdale Willow Lake staff for their care and kindness to Owen during his few years in assisted living. In addition, many thanks to the other residents at Brookdale for their kindness and how they watch over each other.

Visitation will be Tuesday, December 15, 2015 from 11:30 a.m. until the time of service at 1:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel, 9900 Allisonville Rd.

Memorial Contributions may be made to St. Vincent Hospice.

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Memorial Gardens

9700 Allisonville Rd.
Indianapolis, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 15. 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel
9900 N. Allisonville Road
Fishers, IN 46038
(317) 841-7878
info@shirleybrothers.com
<https://www.shirleybrothers.com>

Funeral Service

DEC 15. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Shirley Brothers Mortuaries & Crematory - December 16, 2015 at 09:38 AM

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“ I will always remember growing up with my best friend Joyce and spending many nights at the Simmons home in Junior and senior high school. Madeleine and Owen were always there and created such a comforting, happy home. Owen would take us on Saturdays to Billy's baseball games. These are wonderful memories that I will treasure my whole life.

Your family is in my prayers!

Love,
Cissie

cissie Robertson - December 14, 2015 at 03:10 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of William O. "Owen/Bill" Simmons Sr..



December 13, 2015 at 12:33 PM

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“ I was very blessed to have known Owen for the last 45 years. He was the father of my very best friend Joyce. He was such a kind caring and gentle soul and so loved his family.

I loved hearing him tell stories of his days in the military with such detail and enthusiasm.

I will miss you Owen as will all of those who knew and loved you.

May you forever rest in peace and know how much you were loved.

Linda Hart

Linda Hart - December 13, 2015 at 11:41 AM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Rhonda Benson - December 13, 2015 at 07:27 AM

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Rhonda Benson - December 13, 2015 at 07:21 AM