

I am home in Heaven dear ones;
Oh, so *happy and bright!*

There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light.

All 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 Jesus' land.

When that work is all completed,

He will gently call you Home;

Oh, the rapture of that meeting,

Oh the joy to see you come!



CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Julia Mae Simmons

SUNRISE: JUNE 24, 1936 ~ SUNSET FEBRUARY 5, 2026



SATURDAY, FEBRAURY 14, 2026
11:00 AM

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
110 NORTH ADAMS STREET, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

REVEREND GLEN HODGES

REVEREND BRANT COPELAND

REVEREND DR. DEWAYNE K. HARVEY, EULOGIST

Life & Legacy of **JULIA MAE SIMMONS**

On June 24 1936, Julia Mae Simmons was born to the late Cornell and Marriah Simmons in Miccosukee, Florida.

Julia Simmons graduated from Old Griffin Highs School here in Tallahassee. In the early 1970's she was employed as a retailer at Diana Shops in Downtown Tallahassee. Later in her career she was employed by Florida State University and First Presbyterian Church, subsequently, retiring from both jobs. Throughout Julia's career, she always exhibited a strong work ethic, with a passion for excellence in her work. To know her is to LOVE her.

On Thursday, February 5, 2026, Julia gained her Heavenly wings. No more pain and suffering. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jimmy Peterson; son, Gregory Simmons; three brothers, James Tims, of Tampa, Otis Simmons of Miami, Theodore Simmons, of Tallahassee; two sisters, Sophia Simmons and Lucille Simmons, both of Tallahassee, and granddaughter, Shadanna Thompson of Tallahassee.

Julia Simmons leaves to cherish her memory: two daughters, Debra Davis and LaFran Simmons, both of Tallahassee; two sons, Marlon Wyche (De'Edgra) of Tallahassee and Marvin Wyche (Mitzi) of Atlanta; ten grandchildren: Gayla Cromartie (Steve), Rozetta Davis, Montellis Simmons, Jabaris Simmons, all of Tallahassee, Charles Simmons-Harvey, of Orlando, Antwan Simmons (Vinnie) of Huntsville, Marquan Wyche, of Baton Rouge, Travis Simmons, of Orlando, Shaquanda Simmons and Greg Simmons, Jr. (Kierra), both of Tallahassee; twelve great-grandchildren: Xavier Davis, Ma'Kenzie Davis, Jalona Cromartie, all of Tallahassee, Charli Simmons-Harvey, of Jacksonville; Arayah and Antwan Jr. (twins) and Amore Simmons, of Huntsville, Gavin and Kylaa Simmons of Tallahassee, Travis Jr., Tamia and Taylor Simmons of Orlando and a host of other relatives and friends.

Active Pallbearers

Keith Grissom ~ Tim Hinton ~ John Bruce ~ Tyraine Warren ~ Shawn Mitchell

Flower Attendants

Family and Friends

Interment

Union Branch Cemetery ~ 2:30 PM

Repose

Immediately following service in the church dining hall.

Family Acknowledgment

The Simmons family would like to sincerely thank each and everyone for their prayers, comforting words, and support during this difficult time. We express our sincere gratitude and appreciation for your kindness and gestures of love during the illness and transition of our loved one.

A Very Special Thank You

Tallahassee Big Bend Hospice ~ Tallahassee Memorial Urgent Care Unit
TMH Physician Partners – Cancer & Hematology ~ Dr. Mitchell Peabody and Staff

First Presbyterian Church

Reverend Glenn Hodges

Reverend Brant Copeland

Reverend Dr. DeWayne K. Harvey



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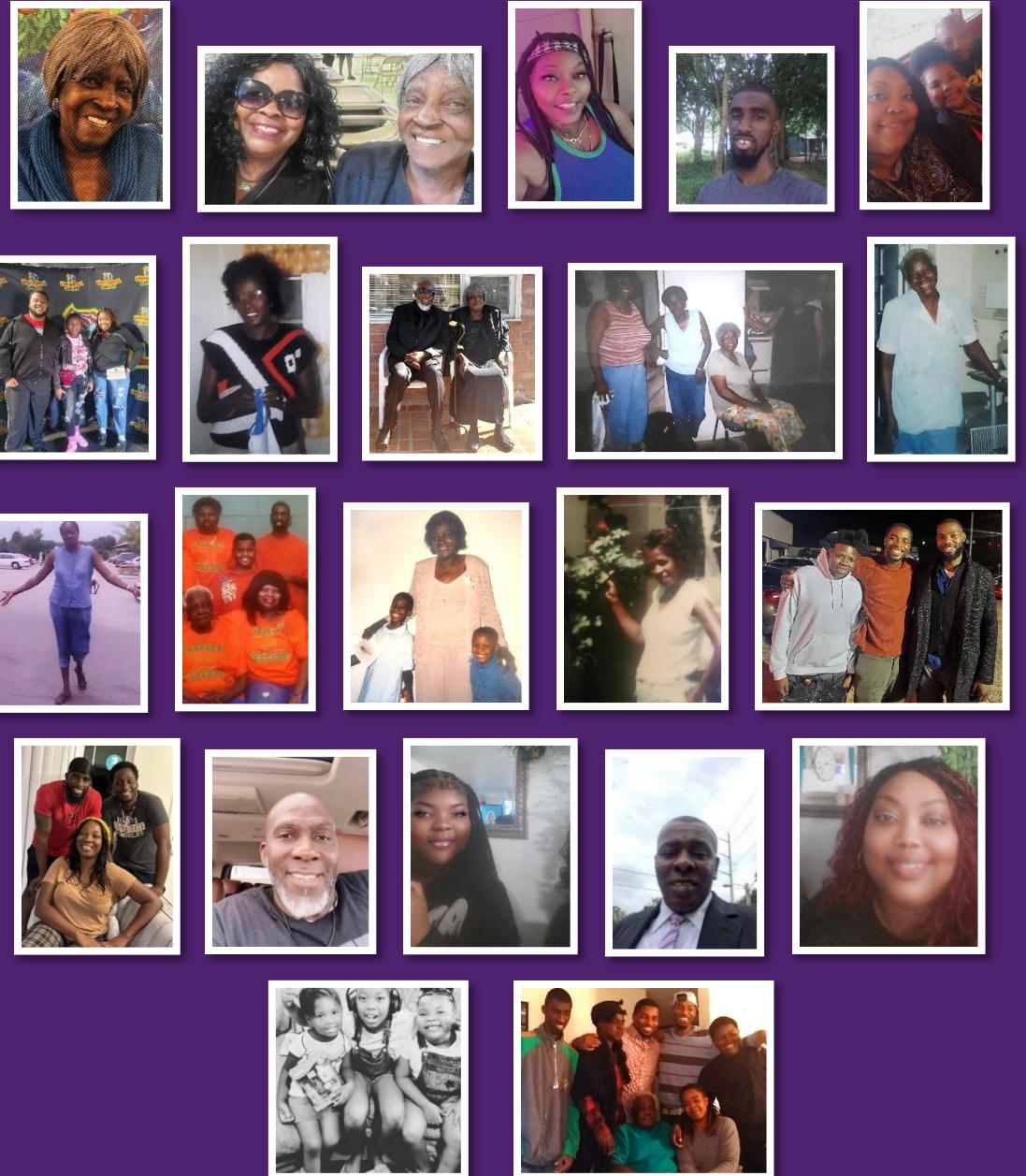
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Cherished Memories



Gathering

Reverend Glenn Hodges

Andrae Crouch

Renise Thompson

Greetings

*Procession

*Hymn 384

"Soon and Very Soon"

*Thanksgiving for Baptism

*Opening Sentence

Our help is in the name of the Lord, **maker of heaven and earth.**

Prayer

Solo

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo

Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgement.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

*Assurance of Pardon

I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. **Thanks be to God.**

*Asterisk indicate to please rise in body or spirit. Congregational responses are in **bold** print.

