



Joseph Carol Simpson

January 24, 1938 - May 5, 2023

Joseph C. Simpson, 85, also known to others as “Jay” or “JC”, passed away peacefully in his sleep on Friday, May 5, 2023, at his home in Tallula, Illinois. His children, grandkids and great grandkids were around his bedside.

Joseph worked most of his life as a General Contractor until he retired in 1996 due to medical issues. He was a member of the First Church of God in Springfield, Illinois, since 1973. He was also a brief member of the Tallula Christian Church until his health permanently hindered him from attending. Joseph was a man of faith and loved his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Preceding him in death was his wife, Peggy, of 45 years until her death in August of 2003; a son, Joseph “Jr” who passed in December of 1975 at the age of 12; his mother and father; his brother; and his sisters.

Surviving him are his children, Kimberley (Frank, who is deceased) Nation of Tallula; Glen E. “Herk” (Marsha) Simpson of Garfield, Kentucky; Lori (Marcus) Jones of LaSalle, Illinois; Carrie (James, who is deceased) Simpson-Lynom of Tallula; Jennifer (Craig) Campbell of Athens, Illinois; John Woodin Simpson of Ottawa, Illinois; Sara Woodin-Vacca of Streator, Illinois; nine grandchildren; and twenty great grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held on May 20, 2023, at 1 p.m. at the First Church

of God, 2800 Adlai Stevenson Dr, Springfield, Illinois 62703, for anyone who would like to come and remember Joseph.

Memorial contributions may be made to Kimberley Nation.

Hurley Funeral Home in Petersburg, Illinois, is assisting Joseph's family with arrangements. Please visit Joseph's online obituary at hurleyfh.com where you may share memories and condolences.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 20. 1:00 PM (CT)

First Church of God
2800 Adlai Stevenson Dr.
Springfield, IL 62703

Tribute Wall



“ *Carrie Lynom lit a candle in memory of Joseph Simpson*



Carrie Lynom - September 17, 2025 at 01:38 AM



“ *Larry Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Joseph Simpson*



Larry and Mary Hundt - May 09, 2023 at 10:49 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joseph Carol Simpson.*



May 08, 2023 at 12:10 PM

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“ *My polas was my hero in many ways. I wouldn't be here if it weren't for this man. He is one in a million. He will be forever missed by many. His faith was strong throughout my life and helped me to understand many things.*



Jodi Morris - May 08, 2023 at 12:01 PM