



Mr. Kerry Undra Simmons

November 29, 1959 - January 3, 2026

Kerry Undra Simmons or "Nic" as he is most affectionately known as by so many was born in Wuerzburg, Germany on November 29, 1959 to E. Mae Simmons and the late Johnnie Simmons Sr. He departed this earthly life and transitioned to his heavenly home Saturday, January 3, 2026 while under the care of Veterans Affairs Hospital in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Kerry was a kind, gentle soul who never met a stranger. He knew how to have fun and bring energy to all who had the pleasure of being in his company. Kerry was a light in the darkness and was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need. He did not judge or boast, and most importantly, he forgave as Christ teaches us to forgive.

Kerry graduated from Frankfurt American High School in Frankfurt, Germany, in 1977. He served in the United States Air Force as a Financial Services Specialist from February 2, 1978, to December 29, 1983, before being honorably discharged. Shortly thereafter, Kerry established himself in Hammond, Louisiana, where he developed lasting connections and friendships for more than 30 years.

In 2016, Kerry moved to Columbus, Georgia, where he was a faithful and loving son and caregiver to his mother, E. Mae Simmons, and his sister, Tawnya R. Simmons. Kerry was raised in the African Methodist Episcopal

Church and was an active and cherished member of Gaines Chapel AME Church in Phenix City, Alabama. He devotedly attended services and was baptized at Gaines Chapel. Kerry was a member of the Sons of Allen, a male ministry at the church, and wholeheartedly volunteered his time by leading the Audio/Video Technology Ministry. We positively impacted the lives of many by videotaping funeral services when the church doors closed due to COVID.

After returning to Louisiana in 2021, Kerry continued to view church services via Facebook and remained supportive of programs at Gaines Chapel. Kerry remained on the church roll until his passing.

Kerry doted endlessly on his one and only child and his grandchildren; they were truly the light of his life. He was always there, ready to lend a helping hand: whether it was transporting them to practices, offering thoughtful insight, providing a listening ear, or sharing his sense of humor just to see them smile. Nothing brought him greater pride or joy than meeting the desires of their hearts and ensuring they felt loved, supported, and cherished every step of the way.

Kerry leaves to treasure his memories a loving mother, E. Mae Simmons; one daughter, Kermindra Maberry-James (Derrick); three grandchildren, Anjunae' Maberry, Devin Frank, and Derrick James II all of Amite, LA; one brother, Johnnie Simmons Jr. (Kassandra) of Katy, TX; two sisters, Sabrina R. Henry (William) and Tawnya R. Simmons of Columbus, GA; one niece, Brittney R. Schagene (Josh) of Pensacola, FL; one nephew, Isaiah Simmons of Katy, TX; and one great-niece, Lazariah S. M. Johnson of Pensacola, FL. He will also be missed by a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, neighbors, and friends, including his longtime friend, Willie McCoy Jr.

Kerry was preceded in death by his father, Johnnie Simmons Sr., and his

nephew, Jason H. Johnson.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 17. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Greater Rose Valley Church
12643 Roseland Avenue
Roseland , LA 70456

Service

JAN 17. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

AM

“ May Almighty Father God bless and comfort the family and strengthen the family 🙏❤️❤️❤️
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Anthony Martin and jashon Johnson martin - February 05 at 05:13 PM

SH

“ Sabrina Henry lit a candle in memory of Mr. Kerry Undra Simmons



Sabrina Henry - January 21 at 09:58 AM

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“ Sabrina Henry sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Kerry Undra Simmons



Sabrina Henry - January 21 at 09:57 AM

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“ Our beloved Kerry,
Though you are no longer with us in body, your spirit and the love you shared remain in our hearts forever. Your faith, kindness, and dedication to our church family touched all who knew you. We will always remember your smile, your prayers, and the warmth you brought into our fellowship. We are comforted knowing that you are resting in the arms of our Lord, free from pain and full of peace. Your legacy of love, service, and devotion will continue to inspire us every day. You will be deeply missed but never forgotten. Until we meet again, we carry you in our hearts and prayers.
With love and remembrance,
Gaines Chapel AME Church, Phenix City, AL



Sabrina Henry - January 21 at 09:55 AM

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“ I love you, dear brother, and I always will. Thank you for being the incredible person you were and for filling my life with memories I will treasure for all my days. Until we meet again, know that you are missed beyond measure and loved beyond words.
Your Sister Sabrina

Sabrina Henry - January 21 at 09:50 AM

KF

“ *Kassandra F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Kerry Undra Simmons.*

Kassandra F. - January 19 at 09:05 PM

RD

“ Praying for the family of Kerry Simmons. Keeping Johnnie, Cassandra and Isaiah in prayer during this time of bereavement.

Rukeia Draw - January 17 at 12:31 PM

KC

“ Kainos Community Church purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Kerry Undra Simmons.



Kainos Community Church - January 15 at 06:14 PM

KC

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IS

“ Isaiah & Toby Simmons lit a candle in memory of Mr. Kerry Undra Simmons



Isaiah & Toby Simmons - January 13 at 08:55 PM

JS

“ *Johnni & Cassandra Simmons lit a candle in memory of Mr. Kerry Undra Simmons* ”



Johnni & Cassandra Simmons - January 13 at 08:54 PM