



Donna G. Simpson

December 08, 1932 - August 13, 2021

Donna Gail (Dillbeck) Simpson entered into the presence of our Lord on Friday, August 13, 2021. Donna was born in Crane, Mo., on December 8, 1932, to Willis and Lillian (Young) Dillbeck. She graduated from Crane High School in 1950; she and Roy Dean Simpson were married in 1951 and moved to California, Missouri, where they have since resided. She, along with Roy, was a charter member of Main Street Baptist Church, where she served in many capacities. In May 2021, she and Roy Dean celebrated 70 wonderful years of marriage; she often fondly recalled years of child-rearing and happy times together.

Donna was an accomplished seamstress; she also enjoyed knitting, cooking, baking, canning, fishing, reading, traveling, and family time. For decades, her inherent hands-on teaching abilities were enjoyed by children and youth in church camps, Vacation Bible Schools, Cub Scouts, and Sunday school; in her later years, she again utilized her teaching skills at Aurora Montessori Preschool.

When their children were older, she began working outside the home. She truly enjoyed employment and made many friends wherever she worked; among her favorite jobs was manager of the Glass Shop and Woodcarving Shop at Silver Dollar City, where she consistently won "window-dressing" contests.

Donna is remembered by family for her selflessness, creativity, generosity, her words of wisdom accompanied by her beautiful smile, and her keen sense of humor. Most importantly, she had a servant heart, loved the Lord, and loved the Word of God; Donna was the epitome of the Proverbs 31 wife and mother.

She is survived by her husband Roy Dean Simpson of California, MO; two daughters: Angie (Jack) Lehman of California, MO; Pam Harbour of California, MO; two sons: Mike (Nancy) Simpson of Festus, MO. and John (Rachel) Simpson of Liberty, MO. Nine grandchildren include Jonathan (Colby) Lehman of Tipton, MO; Katie Lehman (Isaac Nilges) of NYC; Betsy (Drew) Bolinger of California, MO; Natalie Harbour (Marty Raymo) of Osage Beach, MO; Shelly Simpson (Sharod Jackson) of Festus, MO; Katie (AJ) Stratton of St. Louis, MO; Jason (Jenny) Simpson of Boulder, CO; Jeff (Brittany) Simpson and Annie Simpson of Nashville, TN. She is also survived by seven great-grandsons (Willis & Thomas Lehman; Eli Stratton; Peter, Joel & Samuel Bolinger; and Bennett Raymo), and a sister, Ann (CD) Neff, of Kansas City, MO. She is preceded in death by her parents and two childhood sisters, Norma and Betty Solomon.

Visitation to be held at Windmill Ridge Funeral Service in California, MO on Saturday, September 11, 2021, from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, with funeral service to follow at 11:00 AM. Interment will follow at the California City Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the ministry arm of Donna's beloved Sunday school class: Concord Baptist Church/Morrison's Bible Study Class. Online messages to the family may be contributed at www.windmillridgefuneralservice.com.

Visitation

SEP 11. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Windmill Ridge Funeral Service
600 Pinto Lane PO Box 443
California, MO 65018
<https://www.windmillridgefuneralservice.net>

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Funeral Service

SEP 11. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Windmill Ridge Funeral Service
600 Pinto Lane PO Box 443
California, MO 65018

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Graveside Service

SEP 11. 12:00 PM (CT)

California City Cemetery
Intersection of Windmill Ridge and Business 50 East
California, MO 65018

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Tribute Wall

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Windmill Ridge Funeral Service created a Webcast in memory of Donna G. Simpson

L

Laurie Engler

Laurie Engler lit a candle in memory of Donna G. Simpson



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was lit in memory of Donna G. Simpson

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R

Rose Tribute

Rose Tribute was purchased for the family of Donna G. Simpson.

J

Jim, Visaka Sara and Pierre

Jim, Visaka Sara and Pierre purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Donna G. Simpson.

B

Bethany Harris

I am so sorry for your loss! I didn't know Donna very well, but I know by the family she raised she had to be an amazing woman! I know Donna was taken great care of by her family and that made her life much longer and better! Thank you all!

D

Dookie Ray Grimes

To a wonderful family. Donna will be missed Dookie and Ray

A

Anita Schroeter

What a beautiful woman! She sure could wheel a crochet needle. It was our family's honor to have her acquaintance while Simon and Gregory attended Montessori so many years ago. May she find joy in the comforting arms of our Lord Jesus Christ..... Anita Schroeter

B

Brenda

Our prayers go out to the family. Donna was a part of my early years on Smith Street. The girls babysat me and John grew up with me. And the girls made a very good introduction to education at Montessori for our grandkids (Sawyer and Deacon). Your family has seen there for me for many years. From the Farris family. Don, Brenda, Kelli, Chad, Elizabeth, Sawyer and Deacon



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Bennie Howe & Debbie Hovious

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M

Mary Lou Scheidt

My sympathy to all of the Simpson's for the loss of Donna. She and Roy have been a big part of California for many years through the barber shop and their church and many community involvements. They could just make a person feel good. Donna was such a wonderful cook. And am sure she meant a lot to the kids at Montessori while she was able to be there. Your memories will be a comfort. Mary Lou Scheidt

D

Denise Borts Horn

Denise Borts Horn lit a candle in memory of Donna G. Simpson



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Bobby Brizendine

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Cathy Terrell

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Russell Borts

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