



David Russell Simon

February 22, 1954 - June 10, 2016

June 11, 2016

Mr. David Russell Simon, age 62, of Forrest City, died Friday at the Methodist Hospital in Memphis. His death came sudden and unexpected.

Mr. Simon was born February 22, 1954, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and was the son of Dr. William Hale Simon and Mary Louise Elmore Simon. He was retired owner-operator of Sonic Drive In after thirty-one years, was a member of the Ducks Unlimited, National Wildlife Turkey Federation, and was a Methodist.

Mr. Simon married Nancy Sue Price in 1976, and she survives him along with three sons; Russell Simon, and wife, Erin, of Wynne, Parker Simon, and wife, Kindle, of Rogers, Arkansas, and Adam Simon, and wife, Jerra Kaye, of Lowell, Arkansas, one daughter, Holly Bassham, and husband, Chris, of Wynne, his father, Dr. William Hale Simon, and wife, Carolyn, of Enid, Oklahoma, two brothers; Bill Simon of Alva, Oklahoma, Scott Simon, and wife, Tabitha, of Enid, Oklahoma, two sisters; Patty Alder, and husband, David, of Edmond, Oklahoma, and Mary Lou Barton, and husband, Brad, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and eight grandchildren who knew him as 'Big Daddy'; Carson, Cooper, Ella, Walker, Hayden, Emery, Gunner, and Adeline. His mother, Mary Louise Elmore Simon, grandparents; Mr. and Mrs. Russell Elmore and Mr. and

Mrs. William Simon, all preceded him in death.

A visitation will be held at Stevens Funeral Home Chapel, 2:00 P.M. till 4:00 P.M., Sunday. Stevens Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. You may log on to stevensfuneralhome.net for the on line registry. Memorials are to be made to The Birthday Book Project, P.O. Box 411, Forrest City, Arkansas, 72336.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 12. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DM

“ Too many memories to list & all filled with laughter as he tried to teach me at that first job at Sonic, lol. It didn't matter what food or drink station he put me on, I frustrated him & he'd still keep trying, but he'd make sure I got a lesson & a laugh before the day ended. I had 3 jobs at once so he finally looks up one day & says, "girl, you're moving on to better things." We both just laughed hard because we knew I wasn't meant to stay there if I couldn't even pour that Coke & not waste products. I told him I knew he couldn't afford employees like me:-). He never failed to ask what better thing was I doing now, lol. You learned to work & why, or left. Simple. He was so respected & loved by so many! Our condolences & prayers are with you all.

Deana Johnson Morris - June 20, 2016 at 12:55 AM



“ So saddened to hear of the passing of David . It seemed he was exceptional at everything he attempted . I loved to talk baseball and hunting with him. I don't know if he ever hosted an outdoor sportsman's show , but he could have. Best turkey and duck caller I ever heard and that was when was just a teenager ! David will certainly be missed and remembered by many . May you rest in peace , David . Condolences to Nancy , Bill and all of his family and friends.
Sincerely, Rick Thomas-Enid, Ok.

Rick Thomas - June 17, 2016 at 09:29 AM

JO

“ I smile when I think of David chasing Jill playing like he was "Count Dracula."

He was so warm and gracious when we stopped by his Sonic in Forest City. Our heart goes out to all of his family, Nancy and children and grandchildren, Dr. Bill, Billy, Patty, Mary Lou and Scott.. you are all in or thoughts and prayers. I know he is at peace with his mom, Mary. Much love, Joy & Conrad Marler

JoyMarler - June 15, 2016 at 09:26 AM

JH

“ Mrs Nancy, I was sad to hear of David's passing. I have a lot of good memories of working for y'all at sonic years ago. He gave me my first "real" job when I was 14 years old and I worked for y'all until I was 19. Best job a teenager could have! You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Jeff Hawkins - June 14, 2016 at 07:29 PM

JH

“ Mrs Nancy, I was sorry to hear of David's passing. I have such good memories of working at the sonic as a teenager. He taught me a lot as this was my first job. He will be missed for sure. I've caught myself saying some of the things I've heard him say to my own sons. God bless y'all. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

jeff hawkins - June 13, 2016 at 09:17 PM

SK

“ Hi Nancy,
Sending love and hugs to you and your family. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Mike and I are sorry to hear about David. You have a lot of people thinking about you all!
Love,
Suzanne Klemme

Suzanne Klemme - June 13, 2016 at 01:20 PM



“ Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of David Russell Simon.



June 12, 2016 at 09:35 PM

BG

“ He was in my sophomore Biology class which was a mixed class with juniors. He was my lab partner and you never knew what was coming out of his mouth.

Belinda Story Goodpasture - June 12, 2016 at 07:40 PM

WA

“ Nancy, I can't begin to imagine the pain you are going through! Please know that I am keeping you and all who love David in my thoughts and prayers! May you find peace and comfort in the days, weeks and months ahead! Surround yourself with those you love and draw strength from one another as you walk this difficult path.
Wylene Dupus Arroyo

Wylene Arroyo - June 12, 2016 at 07:12 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Russell Simon.* ”



June 11, 2016 at 05:38 PM