



Mary Simmons

October 4, 1955 - May 1, 2021

Mary Marlene Simmons, 65, of Huntsville; died Saturday, May 1, 2021, at home. She was born Tuesday, October 4, 1955, at Los Angeles; to James Robert and Lola DeMoss Brady.

Mary married Richard Lee Simmons, Jr.; and together they were parents to two children. Mary dearly her loved her family. She was a Sales Associate for Wal-Mart and enjoyed shopping with her grandchildren, gardening, traveling, and reading the Bible.

Mary was preceded in death by her father. She is survived by her husband, Richard, of the home; two sons and one daughter-in-law, Richard and Kerry Simmons III of Melbourne, Florida; and Samuel Simmons of Huntsville; six grandchildren, Hope, Elise, Wesley, Amanda, Nelson, and Justin; many great-grandchildren, and nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her mother, Lola DeMoss of White City, Oregon; and her siblings, Monica Hard of Hemet, California; James and Dianne Brady of Hemet, California; Michael and Pam Brady of Apple Valley, California; Rebecca and Jerry Hanson of White City, Oregon; Mark and Mary Lynn Rothenburg of Palmdale, California; and DeAlana Bruce of Hollywood, California.

The family will receive friends 5:00 PM-7:00 PM, Friday, June 4, 2021, at Brashears Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be 10:00 AM, Saturday, June 5, 2021, at Calvary Baptist Church with Larry Mitchell officiating. Pallbearers will be Wesley Simmons, Brian Simmons, Mike Brady, Mark Rothenberg, Thomas Lingren, and Jason Salter. Interment will immediately follow services

at Aurora Cemetery. Services are entrusted to Brashears Funeral Home and Crematory of Huntsville.

Tribute Wall

BF

“ I worked with Mary at the Stafford Walmart for many years. She was always an inspiration to me, she always has wise words of wisdom. She will truly be missed.

Brenda Fishback - June 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ Gonna Miss u Mary, you were dear and kissing and to everyone you encountered



Dennis Greene - June 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ I had the privilege to work with her at Walmart in Virginia. I missed her when I had to move overseas and even more so now. She was a special lady . I pray for comfort for the family.



Michaela McCode - June 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Mary,
You were a big part of our Walmart family and like your family we are in shock and miss you terribly. Our toy department has never been the same since you left. Soon and very soon we will join you on the other side with a happy filled reunion.



Darby Waetjen - June 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *I'm so sorry Mary. I love you and will miss you so much.* ”



Maria Montettozo - June 07, 2021 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ These are the words that I had the honor to speak at my Grandma's funeral.

"Although we all have different relationships with my Grandma we all share a similar story. Since her death over and over I have heard everyone share memories of my grandmother that spoke of her caring, generous, love for everyone she knew.

Her love and her light was shown in the acts of service that she did for others. In loving memory she was referred to as "the favorite aunt", "the coolest grandma ever", and even "the laundry fairy".

Even one of her coworkers that she worked with for years at the Walmart in Virginia shared a story with my Mom of a time when she had a car issue, and my grandmother followed her and refused to let her walk home alone. My grandma would not leave her until she got in the car so she could take her home safely. She helped and impacted so many people that I'm sure there are stories that we never even heard about.

Growing up, I had the privilege of living in the same house as her for many years. I remember a time when I was about 5 years old, I was coloring with crayons and copy paper, going through many sheets of paper because I kept on crumpling them up whenever I made a mistake, and my grandmother saw this and came up to me and said, "You know Hopie, if you don't like something you drew you can always add to it, and make it something new and different. You don't

have to start completely over." And that piece of wisdom has stuck with me throughout the years. My grandma had a talent to brighten any room, put a smile on your face, and made sure that you knew that you are cared for and loved. I think what makes her so special for all of us is that you could always count on her. She always remembered your birthday and all other holidays, making sure that you got a card and some grandma cash. She spoiled us grandkids rotten, especially when school started, making sure we got all the supplies and clothes to make us feel our best. And if you dared to complain that she was spending money on you, she would tell you that it was her bonus money and that's what it was supposed to be for.

Whenever I smell coffee, see yellow kitchen gloves or big gardening hats, whenever I'm at the toy section in Walmart, see Easter lilies, or whenever I paint my nails blue or purple, I will always remember that my Grandma is looking down on me in love, and that she is always near to me, and us all, in our hearts.

A Bright light was taken from earth, but shines even brighter from heaven, leaving a legacy of love for us all to live up to. "

Lauren Hope Simmons - June 07, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ My prayers to the family. Mary you were a blessing to me here in Stafford. May God wrap his arms around the family. Give comfort in this time of need. I will cherish all my memories. Till we meet again. Love you and forever in my heart. RIP my dear friend 💔🙏



Mona Jett - June 06, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Our Sister Mary Simmons
Your such a beautiful soul in loving and Caring for others
You were so giving to your brother James and always included his Wife ; We Thank You for your kindness ”
James Shared with Me Diane how wonderful a Sister you were to him ; your Smile always would light up Room
Your Gentleness in words
James was Blessed to have a Sister who reach out to him
I was Blessed to know you
Mary you'll Truly be Missed
Thank You Heavenly Father for embracing her in your arms
Blessings



James & Diane Brady - June 05, 2021 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ My deepest condolences to all the family. I have fond memories with Mary from years ago when they lived in California. I truly admired Mary for her natural nurturing soul. She was always so kind and loving. I love that she loved the lord. I am positive that she impacted many people in her life. May you Rest In Peace Mary you sweet precious soul.

Carrie Selby - June 05, 2021 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ To Rick, Rich, Kerry, our grandchildren, and the rest of the family: I wish Gary and I could be there to share in your grief and Mary's memory. We didn't know her well but there is something special in sharing your children & grandchildren together. I do know she enjoyed giving her heart to them & will be missed. I remember how Mary & I shared the day when one of the grandchildren was born & how excited we both were. We had a unique bond as we both looked through that nursery window together to see him for the first time. When we got the news of Mary's passing, my heart just sank. I can only imagine how you felt. So we send our deepest sympathy to all and I, especially, pray that you will remember all the good times with her and that those thoughts will help you in the coming days.

Gary & Mona Robbins (Kerry's Parents) - June 03, 2021 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ I am the youngest daughter of Mark and Mary Lynn Rothenberg. Aunt Mary is a long lost family member of ours and I unfortunately did not get the chance to meet her in person. She and Uncle Rick were set to come to my wedding in Feb but unfortunately covid kept them from following through with the plans. I'm so sad for the family that has known her all her life and sad that I won't have the chance to meet her. She sounded like she was a wonderful person and I just pray for healing for our family, and for my Dad who has only known her for a few years. Time is precious, always do your best not to take it for granted.



Sara Rivera - June 02, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *My very deepest sympathies for Mike and the family. You have always spoken so highly of your sister Mary and her family and I cannot begging to tell you how very sad and sorry I am for your loss. My heart and prayers go out to all of you.
May you find peace,
Joyce*

Joyce Pulliam-Fitzgerald - June 02, 2021 at 12:00 AM