



## Hughes Arthur Simmons

September 22, 1932 - April 23, 2021

Hughes Arthur Simmons, the cornerstone of our family, passed away on Friday, April 23, 2021 at home surrounded by family.

Hughes was born September 22, 1932 in Evansville to the late William W. and Beatrice (Hughes) Simmons. He was a 1951 graduate of FJ Reitz High School and proudly served in the US Navy on an around the world tour aboard the USS Stockham. His love of travel continued throughout his life. He and his wife Mary visited many foreign countries and traveled all over the United States and Canada in their motorhomes, which quite often stopped at casinos.

Hughes worked in sales most of his career and he enjoyed the many people he met along the way. He was also very successful in developing apartment complexes on the westside. He never forgot his westside heritage and was very proud to be a lifelong westsider.

He loved his family first and foremost. Left to cherish his memories of a life well lived are his wife, Mary (Trottier) Simmons; children, Michael (Mary Anne) Simmons, Rita (Larry) Meeks, Lisa (Danny) Veeck, Mark Simmons and Sandra Simmons; nine grandchildren, Danny Scott Veeck, Christen Angermeier, April Angermeier, Jamie Head, Valerie Meeks, Laura Simmons, Nicole Simmons, Jessica Stephens and Ryan Hughes Simmons, as well as

six great grandchildren, Bridgette, Brayden, Hannah, Brooklynn, Liam and Mila.

In addition to his parents, Hughes was preceded in death by a brother, Dr. William W. Simmons, Jr.

Friends may visit with the family from 3:00 until 6:00 PM on Monday, May 3, 2021 at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to MSA Hospice and their staff for the kind and compassionate care given to Hughes and the family.

Memorial contributions may be made to the New Hope Animal Rescue Center, 526 Atkinson Street, Henderson, KY 42420 or to MSA Hospice, 3101 N. Green River Road, Suite 210, Evansville, IN 47715.

Condolences may be made online at [www.pierrefuneralhome.com](http://www.pierrefuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Evansville Crematory

318 N. Lemcke Ave.  
Evansville, IN

# Previous Events

## Memorial Gathering

MAY 3. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home  
2601 West Franklin Street  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Pierre Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Hughes Arthur Simmons*



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**Pierre Funeral Home** - April 29, 2021 at 04:58 PM



“ *Hughes Arthur Simmons*

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January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ *I was sorry to hear of Hughes' passing. My father (Jerry Gerard) and Hughes were life long friends. I have memories of our families spending time together on the Ohio River and at Simmons' home. My dad reminded me that Michael and I were born on the same day in the same hospital.  
My condolences to the family.  
Keith Gerard*

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**Keith Gerard** - May 05, 2021 at 08:13 PM



“ 99 files added to the album LifeTributes



Pierre Funeral Home - April 29, 2021 at 04:53 PM



“ From your family at Gibco Motor Express purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Hughes Arthur Simmons.



From your family at Gibco Motor Express - April 26, 2021 at 11:48 AM



“ Sincere sympathy Rita on the loss of your Dad and to Christine, April and your entire family. Sending prayers!

Donna Cassin - April 26, 2021 at 11:35 AM



“ Mary, we're so sorry to hear of Hughes' passing. May the Lord give you peace and comfort in this difficult time.

dave waltz - April 25, 2021 at 10:48 AM

DW

“ May God bless you all Michael, Rita, Lisa, Mark, and Sandy and your families. Rest In Peace old friend and mentor. I always looked up to you.

dave waltz - April 25, 2021 at 10:31 AM

TP

“ Thoughts and prayers for Mike and his family.

Tom Pressley - April 25, 2021 at 07:21 AM

JC

“ I always enjoyed talking with Hughes, he was always informative and seemed to enjoy hearing my jokes. He will be missed by us all.

Jim Crouse - April 24, 2021 at 07:08 PM

DW

May God bless all of you Michael, Rita, Lisa, Mark, Sandy and your families. Rest In Peace old friend and mentor. I always looked up to you!

dave waltz - April 25, 2021 at 10:22 AM

AM

Dear Mary, So sad to learn about Hughes' passing. Please know my thoughts and prayers are with you and all the family at this time. He was always such fun to be with. I am thinking as I write this of the many times Frank and I would meet you and Hughes from Indiana to Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama, and Florida. He had a wonderful zest for living. He was a great cousin and I loved him dearly! My condolences and love to you Mary and Rita, Mike, Mark, Lisa, Sandy and their families. Ann

Ann Holland McCarthy - April 26, 2021 at 07:23 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Hughes Arthur Simmons.* ”



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April 24, 2021 at 04:06 PM