



Paul Arthur "Art" Simmons

December 26, 1938 - February 16, 2015

Paul Arthur "Art" Simmons, age 76 of Moravia, passed away Monday, February 16, 2015, due to an accident doing what he loved.

Art was born December 26, 1938, to Walter Elijah and Thelma Fern (Harnden) Simmons. He attended school in Moravia and later completed the Police Academy in Des Moines. He worked as a police officer in Carroll County, Inwood, and Bellevue, Iowa. He married Daisy Millenon on December 14, 1957, in Albia. To this union, 7 children were born, Paul, Glenda, Julie, Paula, Jeffery, Randy, and Christy. They shared 28 years of marriage and later divorced.

Art loved being outdoors, doing things such as fishing, hunting squirrels and raccoons, logging, and cutting firewood. He enjoyed the rodeo, riding mules, and pitching horseshoes. He enjoyed his dogs, Katie and Maggie. In his younger years, he enjoyed playing softball. Art enjoyed spending time with family and friends and especially enjoyed the Simmons family reunions, where he played his guitar and loved to dance.

Art is survived by his children, Glenda (Clarence) Garrels of Hedrick, Julie Ackley of Udell, Jeffrey (Jan) Simmons of Dodge City, KS, and Christy (John) Flavey of Cambridge. Art is also survived by several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and nieces.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents; parents; two sons, Paul, in infancy and Randy; a daughter, Paula, in infancy; and a sister, Mae Lavelle Smith.

Per Art's request, his body has been cremated. There is no visitation planned and a private family burial will be held at a later date.

Tribute Wall



“ *Paul Arthur "Art" Simmons*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



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“ *My sympathy to his children and their children for the passing of their loved one.
Rest in peace cuz.*

Sorry, I got your friends request to late.

Judy Noe - Lovilia, IA - First Cousin - February 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Rest in Love Uncle Art. My sincere and deepest sympathies to my cousins (Glenda, Julie, Jeff, and Christy), may you find comfort in this time of loss.*

Terri Ocker Pilcher - Hot Springs, AR - niece - February 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *VERY SORRY ABOUT ART, HE WILL BE MISSED.*

ELWOOD THARP - ALBIA, IA - FREND - February 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ My heart felt condolences to the family. I am sorry for your loss.

Misty Finley - MO - Cousin - February 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SI

“ Julie and Glenda, so sorry to hear about your dad. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Shirley and family

Shirley (Thomas) Morlan - Centerville, IA - February 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ So sorry. I lost track of Art for several years, but he started coming to the reunions a few years ago. Everyone really enjoyed catching up on what he had been doing. He will be missed.
jdjbr

shirley walter gray - Moravia, IA - class mate - February 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SI

“ Julie and Glenda, so sorry to hear about your dad. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Shirley and family

Shirley (Thomas) Morlan - Centerville, IA - February 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ I had known Art for about 6 or 7 years. I first met him at the Elks Club in Ottumwa where we danced together. I also attended his birthday party a couple of years ago. I'll miss seeing him at the Eagles in Ottumwa.

My thoughts and prayers are with his family. I am so sorry for your loss.

Janet Ransom - Ottumwa, IA - friend - February 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ *To all of Arthur's kids and grandkids - I'm so sorry for your loss. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. May your favorite memories and His love give you strength and comfort during this heartbreaking time.*

Lisa Liston - Lovilia, IA - Cousin - February 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM