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Marie Monette "Moe" Sims Simmons

July 13, 1946 - Jan. 30, 2023

Marie Monette "Moe" Sims Simmons, 76 of Morganton, NC passed away January 30, 2023. Marie was born to the late Lewis and Hazel Womack Sims on July 13, 1946 in Rutherford, NC. Marie was a member of First Assembly of God. Marie always put Jesus and her family first in her life. She loved people, talking and she never met a stranger. She always gave the biggest and warmest hugs.

Marie is preceded in death by her parents and her husband, George Neal Simmons of 48 years.

Marie is survived by her daughter Melody Simmons, of the home, brothers; Steve Sims of Spindale, NC and Charles Sims (Kay) of Chimney Rock, NC. Granddaughters; Logan and Haley, niece; Amy and a nephew; David.

The family will receive friends at FAM Church in Morganton, NC on Saturday February 11, 2023 from 12 pm – 1 pm with a Celebration of Life following at the church.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

So hard to say goodbye precious friend. I always knew you had my back. Such loyalty and love! I can just see you effortlessly and joyously traipsing the streets of heaven. I will hold tightly to the bond we shared till we meet again on that beautiful shore!

–Mary E Stilley



Monette was like a 2nd mom when I was growing up. She has always been one of my biggest encouragers in life. So thankful for the spaghetti meals she would make me bc she knew it was my favorite. She always made me feel so special. She was a gift in this life. I will remember her and her love always! She is missed

–Donna Reed Silvers

I am so sorry for your families loss. Moe has always had a gift of show and sharing love to others. As a child we had good times when we gathered at Grandmother Harrill's house. We have not had a lot of contact since we grew up except when our parents passed but I still loved her. I know she is in heaven. My prayers are with the family. Lucille Moore (cousin).

–Lucille Moore



Client turned to dear friend! She ALWAYS made me smile



and laugh. If I was having the worse day, she always said the right words. A genuine Christian. I know she loves the Lord and that is where she is now. She is where her HEART is. Much love and prayers to the family as I know she will be dearly missed by many.

–Jeannie Conner



Monette was a very special person, I remember her growing up she was always a hoot, loved being around her,I remember her mostly being at Joyce Hill's and Ruth Wilson's loved hanging around them many special memories of her. Our condolences to all her family.

–Doug and Lesia Hill Greenway

I first met Mo when I was orienting as a new nurse at Grace Hospital & she was orienting to work PRN there, as well. What an utter delight she was from the first time I met her - funny, honest, real, compassionate! We met up years later at Broughton when I changed jobs & we took up where we left off. Needless to say, she was still the same Mo! She was a light in the darkness & would try to make the best of any situation, all while making you laugh! She saw the good in even the the worst of our patients & loved to minister to them, joking with them & always treating them compassionately. Mo obviously had a Spirit-given discernment & could always tell when I needed a hug & a prayer! I had many of these occasions with Mo in the med room & they always helped me get through whatever I was going through. I can still envision her grabbing my arms & looking me straight in the eye & hear her voice resonating with her usual opening line “listen,” as she imparted God’s wisdom through her empathetic advice. I know I am one of many who experienced this. What an earthly sorrow to hear of Mo’s passing, but what a heavenly joy to know that she is more alive than those of us who are dying daily. Thankful for God’s plan & promises, all of which Mo so trusted in with all her heart! I love you Mo & am thankful to have known you & experienced your witness & all of your big old hugs & heartfelt prayers. Till we meet again, old friend! Looking forward to another one of your big old hugs

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—Robin Michaels

So very sorry just found out my friend passed away moe didn't die she just changed addresses prayers and hugs to the family

—Brenda Huffman

I was a brand new RN ant Broughton Hospital. Scared to death of what I did not know. I met Monette and she took me under my wing. She was reassuring, loving, and nurturing to this wet behind the ears young man. She taught me how to care and love the most difficult patient. How to look for the good in everyone. She was a one of a kind loving soul to everyone she met. She changed my life for the better. Prayers to her family. She will be missed.

—Tom Jones

One of the most precious woman I know. Just stand still she's going to hug you anytime!! Loving and caring great nurse. I love this lady dearly may god ease your pain and comfort you.

—Janice

Monette and I were friends for over 30 years. She was such an encourager to our family. Her hugs and laughter were contagious. " Moe" loved her family and bragged about her daughter Melody all the time and especially appreciated the care Melody gave her during her illness the past few years. Moe also adored her granddaughters and great grandsons. They were her world. We will miss her dearly but we take joy in knowing we will see her once again. Hugs and prayers to Melody, Logan, Haley and the great grandsons. May the Lord wrap His loving arms around each one of you and comfort you with His everlasting love and peace. Love, Jani Carswell

—Jani Carswell

Scotty and I both worked with Monette. She always had a hug and kisses. She was thoughtful and kind. She was one of the best Nurses I've ever seen.

–Tammy and Scotty Chapman



Sending love and prayers to the family. Such a wonderful person and nurse

–Alisha Duckworth



–Audwin Kincaid

I am so sorry for your loss. I worked with Monette at Broughton Hospital. She was the sweetest person. Loved her so much.

–Janice Huffman Kanupp

Melody, Logan and Haley your mother and grandmother was the most special person I have ever known. She had a heart of gold! She was the person who was always there for her family and friends. She was a generous person if you needed it and she had it she would make sure you got it. Keith and I feel so blessed that she was our friend. It is a great loss now not to be able to be with her. But we will meet again! I know she is happy to be with Neal and her mom and dad and other loved ones.

—Sandy Miller

My heart is broken from hearing of the passing of this dear lady. I will certainly miss her, however I have comfort knowing without doubt she is now with Jesus and Neil and that is somthing she longed for.

—Brian Berryhill

So sorry to hear of Monette's passing she was a dear friend for many years. I worked with her at Broughton Hospital years ago. I will never forget her kindness, sense of humor and loving hugs. She was truly an angel on earth.

—Brenda Clements

Hi Melody, I just heard about your Mom passing and am very sorry! I worked with her and never met a more caring and sweet lady in caring for the sick and employees! Please know you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers! Love, Mary Tallent (107 Shuping Street)

—Mary B. Tallent

Beloved and faithful friend forever.

—Kay Hensley

Breaks my heart to hear About Moe I just loved her. Condolences go to family.

—Judy Yoder

—Laura S. Crawley

I am so sorry for your loss. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers. Moe was such a sweet lady and will be missed.

—Laura McCoy



—Kathy Holder

Our hearts go out to Melody, Logan, all of the children, and Monette's siblings. We love her dearly and will miss her tremendously!

—Vernon & Linda Love



I'm so heartbroken to hear of Monette's passing. I haven't seen her in a few years. She was the most wonderful, caring, genuine, loving person who loved God and her family. She was my Missionette's teacher in Sunday school when I was little. I have always loved her so much! My thoughts are with you all during this time Nikki

—Nikki Kirschner

Melody, I'm so very sorry your dear, sweet mother passed away! Love and prayers for you, your girls, and the entire family!

—Brenda D. Connelly