



Frank Elwood Simmson

December 7, 1926 - March 11, 2012

Funeral services for Frank Elwood Simmons, 85 of Vidalia, La. will be held at Young's Funeral Home Ferriday on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at 10:00 AM with Bro. Bill McCullin and Rev. Michael Cowan officiating. Interment will follow at Greenlawn Memorial Park under the direction of Young's Funeral Home.

Frank Simmons was born on December 7, 1926 in Bogalusa, Ms. the son of Edna Simmons and Milton Simmons and passed away Sunday, March 11, 2012 at Natchez Regional Medical Center in Natchez. He was a resident of Vidalia. He retired after 36 years from the International Paper Company in Natchez and an avid fisherman, hunter and most of all frog gigging. Frank loved spending time with his family and grandchildren there was many of time you would see him at one of his great-grandchildren ball games. He served his country in Merchant Marine in World War II.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one daughter, Claudia Cooper; and one great-granddaughter, Sarah Cowan.

Survivors include his wife of 65 years, Obye Jo Simmons of Vidalia; one daughter, Derinda Smith and husband, Ricky of Vidalia; four grandchildren, Stephen Cowan and wife, Kim of Abilene, Texas, Ashley Elveston of Natchez, Michael Cowan and wife, Chasity of Doloroso, Ms., and Alicia Smith of Vidalia;

11 great-grandchildren, Cody Cowan, Savanah Cowan, Cole Cowan, Kaitlyn Cowan, Braxtyn Elveston, Hayden Cowan, Cory Cowan, Selah Cowan, Maggie Cowan, Chloe Curlee and Joel Cowan; one brother, Billy J. Simmons and wife, Geneva of Baton Rouge; one sister, Betty Fornea and husband, Bo of Vidalia; and two special friends, Bob Foley and Kim Boothe.

The Pallbearers will be Cody Cowan, Cole Cowan, Cory Cowan, Craig Simmons, Dustin Perry, Hayden Cowan, Roger Simmons and Tommy Simmons.

The Honorary Pallbearers will be Arthur Lewis, Bo Fornea, Glen Whittington, Leo Boothe, Rickey Smith and Ronnie Raley.

The family will receive friends at Young's Funeral Home in Ferriday from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM Tuesday, March 13, 2012. In lieu of flowers the family request that donations be made to charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall



“ *Dearest Obe Jo and family, we were so sorry to hear of Mr Elwood passing. Our heartfelt prayers and thoughts are with you all.*

Chris & Jeanie Ables - March 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Please know that our thoughts are with you all during this time. We will be praying for grace and comfort for you. We are here if there is anything at all you need. With our love, Sharon & Johnny Cowan*

March 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM