



# George B. Simpson

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**G**eorge B. Simpson, age 84, of Rehoboth Beach, DE died with his loving family by his side on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at Beebe Healthcare in Lewes. He was born on Tuesday, April 12, 1932 in Dover, DE, son of the late William and Mary (Wilson) Simpson.

As a young man, George spent his summers working on his Uncle George's farm in Houston, DE. He was a regular participant at the Delaware State Fair showing his prized cattle and was active in FFA and 4-H. In 1950, George graduated from Caesar Rodney High School, where he was class President. He continued his education at The University of Delaware from which he graduated with his B.A. in Agriculture and Education. During his time at U of D, George managed the bull barn on the college farm.

Following graduation, George started working in Dewey Beach where he would meet the love of his life, Paula, whom he would marry on May 15, 1959. During this time, George owned the Wilson Boat Company, and founded and built Simpson's Marina on Rodney Street in Dewey Beach, where he enjoyed teaching countless people to water ski. Staying busy at work, he was a partner in Breakwater Dredging Co. until 1966. He was also the owner and operator of Eastern Corporation in Federalsburg, MD up until his retirement in 2001.

George was active in numerous organizations. He served as the president of Associated Builders and Contractors of Maryland. He was a member of Epworth United Methodist Church in Rehoboth Beach for over 50 years where he served on the Board of Trustees and as Financial Secretary. He was a member of the United Methodist Men, and served on the Long Range Planning Committee prior to the building of the present church on Holland Glade Road. George also planned, oversaw and funded the construction of the Oceanside Portico at Epworth Church.

George enjoyed solving problems and always did his best to help when there was a need. In retirement, he stayed busy with multiple projects, usually centered around the church or his



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daughter, Linda's, Meadowsong Farm. George loved his family unconditionally and he was dearly loved and greatly respected by them.

In addition to his parents, George was preceded in death by his brother, Delbert W. Simpson. He is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Paula (Turek); his two daughters: Linda Simpson and her husband Wes Stack of Milton, DE and Susan Selph and her husband Troy of Milton, DE; his two grandchildren: Maggie Thompson and her husband Josh of Milford, DE and Galen Selph of Milton, DE; his great grandson, George Owen Thompson; and his two sisters: Mary Ann Teller of Dover, DE and Jane Bethard and her husband Ken of Camden, DE. He will also be greatly missed by extended family members, young and old.

Celebration of Life Services will be held on Friday, May 27, 2016, at 11:00 AM at Epworth United Methodist Church, 19285 Holland Glade Road, Rehoboth Beach, DE. Interment will be private. Arrangements are being handled by Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, Lewes, DE

Memorial contributions may be made in George's name to Epworth United Methodist Church at the address above.

Please sign Mr. Simpson's online guest book located on this site.

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE HAVE ALL FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS DELIVERED BY 3PM, THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2016 TO PARSELL FUNERAL HOMES, LEWES, DE.




# Events

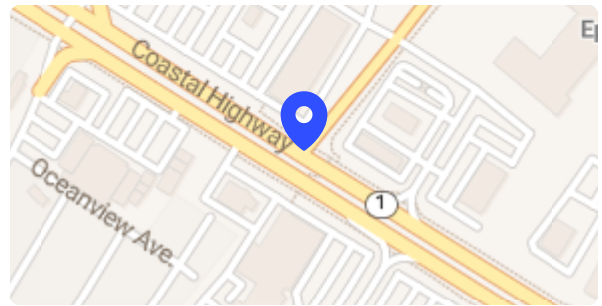
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## Celebration of life

 **Friday**, May 27, 2016

 11:00 AM ET

 **Epworth United Methodist Church**  
19825 Holland Glade Road, Rehoboth Beach DE





# Tribute Wall

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**Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium** shared a **Tribute Video**.



May 27 at 10:13 AM



**Christine Mckenna** posted:

Oh Paula, I am so sad for you and the girls. Just learned today that George passed away. I have so many wonderful memories of the times we spent together. Water skiing when you all had the boat and dock business and summers at Dewey with you and our kids together. Watched the video and it brought tears especially the ones of your marriage and then your girls marriages. I'll be keeping you in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Chris McKenna

June 7 at 6:13 AM



**Virginia R.** sent a sympathy card to the Simpson family.



June 2 at 4:53 PM



**Henrietta Porter** lit a candle in honor of George.



May 31 at 12:28 PM



**Dorothy Appleby** posted:

We are so sorry. May you take peace in all your wonderful memories. Richard and Dorothy Appleby

May 27 at 3:39 AM



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**Janet Greenawalt** posted:

I have many wonderful memories of George. Most important was how he came to visit Bob in the last years of Bob's life. He would sit in the garage with Bob and they would talk about many things. I can still picture his truck in our driveway. I'm sure Bob will welcome him as he too will be with the Lord. My thoughts and prayers to you Paula and your family. George was a good man and will be missed by family and friends. Love and Blessings, Janet

May 26 at 3:47 PM



**Laura Simpson** posted:

Aunt Paula, Linda and Susan, So sorry to hear of Uncle George's passing. I'll be keeping you all in my prayers. Sending you all lots of love and hugs from North Carolina. Take care, love, Laura Anne

May 26 at 1:26 PM



**Emory Buck** posted:

So sorry to hear of George's passing. He was such a strong figure with his quiet demeanor, his thoughtfulness and his abiding common sense. I will never forget how he and Paula watched over me when Phyllis died and made me feel belonged. I will miss him. Emory buck

May 26 at 9:31 AM



**The Wiedmann Family** sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Simpson family.



May 26 at 8:20 AM



**Joan Simpson** posted:

PAULA, LINDA, AND SUSAN, My deepest condolences on the loss of George. It's been a long time since I've seen you but I just wanted to extend my sympathy to all of you at this difficult time. George was a very kind person, always wanting to know about one's activities when we would all get together at the family affairs. Hoping the good memories will get you through this rough time. Fondly,  
JOAN SIMPSON

May 26 at 7:35 AM



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JJ

**Jodi Tieman-Jones** posted:

Thinking of you,Nancy B. Tieman

May 26 at 3:50 AM

TC

**Tyrone Coleman** posted:

Mrs. Paula Simpson and family, you have my deepest sympathy. I pray that GOD will comfort and strengthen you all during your time of bereavement. God Bless!!From: Tyrone Coleman Sr.

May 25 at 4:16 PM

TW

**Terry Warrington** lit a candle in honor of George.

Mrs. Simpson & Family,I am so saddened to learn of your loss. I have known you during my life from the community, church an school and know how much my mother thinks of you all! Although I do not know you well, I wanted to extend my sympathy, prayers and wishes for strength in the days ahead and wonderful memories to share and carry with you. Thinking of you.Terry (Brandner) Warrington



May 25 at 7:44 AM

RT

**Roger Truitt** posted:

Patricia and I are greatly saddened to hear of George's passing and express our deepest sympathies to Paula and the family. I met "Mr. Simpson" in the early 1960s when he was my Sunday School teacher in the basement of the old church on Baltimore Avenue. He continued in that role for several years as he encouraged teenagers like me to care about the Bible and the Christian faith. He was always a real gentle man and inspired me to teach Sunday School when I became an adult. I fondly remember taking my class of four sixth graders to a Phillies game with George in his station wagon in the mid-70s. He was always so kind to my Mother and looked out for her at Epworth in her last years. George will be greatly missed but not forgotten as a man of upright character, abiding faith and lover of his family and the church. George, well done good and faithful servant of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.Roger Truitt

May 24 at 10:14 AM



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MM

**Marjorie Mounts** posted:

From the time Jim and I started to attend Epworth, George and Paula Simpson were two examples of faithful church members who helped us to decide to make Epworth our home. I remember when he foresaw the need to have automatic opening doors to welcome those who entered. George had a smile which warmly welcomed everyone. A social message of love and understanding to Paula his loving caregiver. You both were blessed to have each other. Marjorie Mounts

May 24 at 9:50 AM

FS

**Frederick Smith** posted:

Paula and family, Sharyn and I are very sad to hear the news of George's passing. George was such a wonderful, friendly person. I can truly say that I never heard him say a bad or unkind word about anyone. He was the type of person all of us aspire to be. As far as his dedication to his church, George serving for many, many years as the church's Financial Secretary earned him the joke nickname of "Count de Money" which he always laughed at. We are presently on a cruise and will be unable to attend George's funeral. Please know that we will keep both George and you, his family, in our heart and mind and will be making a memorial donation upon our return. All our love and our prayers, Fred and Sharyn Smith

May 24 at 9:25 AM

VS

**Virgini R. Small** June 2 at 3:39 PM

Dear Paula, we pit were so sorry to read about George passing, please know our heart and Prays go out to you and your family. Frank and Ginny Small

SJ

**Susan Jimenez** May 24 at 12:16 PM

To be absent from the body, is to be present with the Lord. What a wonderful blessing George and Paula have been to Epworth, true believers and a wonderful example for us all. George always found a place to serve and touched all of us with his kind heart. Prayers for Paula and the family. Cathy Benson and Susan Jimenez



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TRIBUTE VIDEO

A JOURNEY  
*of*  
REMEMBRANCE

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The video thumbnail features a bright blue sky with white, fluffy clouds. The title 'A JOURNEY of REMEMBRANCE' is centered in a red serif font, with 'of' in a smaller, cursive script. A white play button icon is overlaid on the text. In the bottom right corner, there is a QR code and a black button with the text 'SCAN TO WATCH' in white.



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring George by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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