



McKinley Sims Sr.

November 30, 1930 - May 24, 2022

McKinley Sims, Sr., 91, of Chattanooga, passed away Tuesday, May 24, 2022. He was known to many as “Mack”/”Sims”. He was born November 30, 1930 in Chattanooga Tennessee to William (Red) and Magnolia Sims. McKinley was the third of four children, one sister and two brothers. He married Lillie Ruth Sanders on September 15, 1948. They were married for almost 74 years. McKinley and Lillie had four children, Sheral Ann, McKinley Jr., Michael and Anita Ann. He joined New Monumental Baptist Church under the pastorate of the late Rev. John Cooper, Jr. He was an active member of the church and served on the Board of Trustees and as Treasurer for many years. McKinley was also a member of the Usher Board and Security team. He loved planting beautiful flowers at his home and very often planted them at the church where he also helped with many restoration projects. He enjoyed helping and taking care of folks in his church and community families. McKinley retired after 35 years from the DuPont Nylon Plant where he was a Rigger. If you asked a hundred people about conversations with McKinley Sims, they’d tell you so many things – times of working at DuPont; conversations on fishing, how to build a barrel barbeque grill, his time spent with the grandchildren being “papa”; building the perfect wood project; what’s the best vehicle for your dollar and of course he wouldn’t be “Mack” if he didn’t talk about saving your money. Whatever the story, rest assured you could always count on a good long conversation. McKinley, his stories, and conversations will be missed. He was preceded in death by his father, William

Sims; mother, Magnolia Weaver; sister, Helen Catchings; and brother, Robert Sims. He leaves to celebrate the many years he was an important part of the lives of his wife, Lillie Sims; his children Sheral (Van) Foster, McKinley (Shelia) Sims, Jr., Michael Sims, and Anita Sims; grandchildren, Rosie Anetta (Mario) Gibson, NeKisha (Derrick) Ryals, Kendra (TyJuan) Moore, McKinley Sims, III, and Michael Allen Sims; great-grandchildren, Darian Yearby, Skye Ryals, Kaleigh Lounds, Catedria, and Timothy King; great-great-grandchildren, Caisyn and Cali King and Honesty and Timaya King; one brother, Carl Sims; a dear cousin, Okie (Marvin) Lott; treasured family friends, Julliette Brown, Tommie and Sarah Cook, Sue Kilgore and a host of other relatives and many friends. Rev. Dr. Gregory Odom is the officiant and Rev. Carlous Drake is the eulogist.

Directions for Live Stream: 1. Go to your Facebook Page 2. Type:
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3. Click 'Like' or Thumbs Up 4. Scroll down to view the service at 11:30 a.m.
(EST)

Cemetery Details

Lakewood Memory Gardens East

4621 Shallowford Road
Chattanooga, TN 37411

Previous Events

Lie-In-State

JUN 1. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

New Monumental Baptist Church
901 Woodmoore Lane
Chattanooga, TN 37411

Service

JUN 1. 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

New Monumental Baptist Church
901 Woodmore Ln
Chattanooga, TN 37411-2312
(423) 629-6106

Tribute Wall



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BS

“ *Sending my sincere condolences and prayers to the Sims family!*



Beverly (Harris) Silva - June 01, 2022 at 01:32 PM

MF

“ *Minister Michael Malone & Family. lit a candle in memory of McKinley Sims Sr.*



Minister Michael Malone & Family. - June 01, 2022 at 11:45 AM

NM

“ *Our deepest and sincere sympathies to you, Mrs. Sims and family in loss of Bro. Sims. He is gone from our sight, but never from our hearts. May the Lord comfort you with sweet memories and His Perfect Peace. - The New Monumental Baptist Church Family*



New Monumental - June 01, 2022 at 08:45 AM

DH

“ *A Beautiful flower has blossomed in God's Kingdom. Our Sincere and Heartfelt condolences to Mrs. Lillie and family with love and remembrance of a life well-lived.*
Vincent & Dee Hatten



Dee Hatten - June 01, 2022 at 08:41 AM

PO

“ *Pastor Odom lit a candle in memory of McKinley Sims Sr.*



Pastor Odom - June 01, 2022 at 08:38 AM

OE

“ *Ora Edmonds lit a candle in memory of McKinley Sims Sr.*



Ora Edmonds - June 01, 2022 at 07:31 AM

SC

“ *Sammy Crutcher purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of McKinley Sims Sr..*



Sammy Crutcher - May 31, 2022 at 08:03 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of McKinley Sims Sr..*



May 30, 2022 at 05:39 PM



“ *Wilhemenia Hogg lit a candle in memory of McKinley Sims Sr.*



Wilhemenia Hogg - May 30, 2022 at 03:54 PM



“ *Mr. Sims will be greatly missed, praying for the family, he was a special person and gave good advice and didn't hold back on it all you needed to do was listen.*

*Sincerely,
Pamela Berry*

Pamela J Berry - May 29, 2022 at 09:14 PM



“ *Seabron And Mickey lit a candle in memory of McKinley Sims Sr.*



Seabron and Mickey - May 29, 2022 at 12:19 AM

FJ

“ Frederick L. McClendon Jr lit a candle in memory of McKinley Sims Sr.



Frederick L. McClendon Jr - May 28, 2022 at 09:58 PM

DH

Mr. Sims was a very special person to me, he always called me a lady, he always had words of wisdom for me and would always tell my dad, to tell me hi when they spoke

Dee Dee Henderson

Dee Dee Henderson - May 31, 2022 at 12:06 PM

EJ

“ To The Sims family, so sorry to hear of Mr. Sims passing. He will surely be missed. May God hold your hand through this sad time. Remember all of the good times and the time God gave you with him. God Bless. Ethel Jones

Ethel Jones - May 28, 2022 at 12:00 PM

VT

“ Vickie Fielder Thornhill lit a candle in memory of McKinley Sims Sr.



Vickie Fielder Thornhill - May 28, 2022 at 09:29 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of McKinley Sims Sr..*



May 27, 2022 at 04:32 PM



“ *Boyd Buchanan School purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of McKinley Sims Sr..*



Boyd Buchanan School - May 27, 2022 at 03:30 PM



“ *Condolences and prayers for the family know that Tony and Gwen Edmondson are praying for you all.*



Gwen Westfield Edmondson - May 26, 2022 at 11:08 AM