

George Simon, age 80, of Sioux Rapids, Iowa, died on Wednesday, June 29, 2011, at the Sioux Care Center at Sioux Rapids, Iowa.



Raymond George Simon, the son of Firman and Mary (Pfeiffer) Simon was born in Early, Iowa on September 12, 1930. He moved with his family to Sioux Rapids in 1932. George attended the Sioux Rapids Consolidated School, graduating with the Class of 1948. Following his high school graduation, George enlisted in the United States Army and served his country faithfully from January 31, 1951 to February 1, 1954.

On April 30, 1955 George was united in marriage to Shirley Ann Robeson at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Sioux Rapids, Iowa. This couple has been blessed with five children: Michael, Steven, Nancy, Patrick, and Brian Mark,

who died in infancy. George spent a lifetime of devotion to his farming vocation. Their married life has been spent farming in the Linn Grove and Sioux Rapids areas. In addition to his grain farming, he also raised cattle. George was a school bus driver in Brooke Township and worked at Simonsen Iron Works until he retired from there in 1995. He was an active member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, the American Legion, and the Sioux Rapids Historical Society. Special pastimes of George included: playing cards, traveling, having coffee with his friends. He cherished the time he could spend with his family, enjoying life on his farm and spending the winter months in Arizona.

George's life will always be honored and cherished by his family which include his wife, Shirley Simon of Sioux Rapids, Iowa; children: Michael Simon of Sioux Rapids, Iowa; Steven (Karla) Simon of West Des Moines, Iowa; Nancy Simon of Des Moines, Iowa; Patrick (Mary) Simon of Altoona, Iowa; 5 grandsons: Tyler, Ryan, Logan, Alex, and Harrison; 2 brothers: Al Simon of Colorado Springs, Colorado; and Paul



(Betty) Simon of Rolling Meadows, Illinois; brother-in-law, Norman (Wanda) Robeson of Cherokee, Iowa; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Eula Mae and Ralph Best of Oxford, Nebraska; many nieces; nephews; other extended family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Brian Mark; sister, Caroline; 4 brothers: Amos, Francis, Don, and Clarence; his sisters-in-law: Helen Simon; Nelva Dawn Simon; Betty Simon; Peg Robeson; Helen Foss; brothers-in-law: Bill Wilson; Ivan Robeson; Judd Foss; Homer Lancaster; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Frank and Elsie Robeson.

# In Loving Memory



**George Simon**

**1930 — 2011**

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race,  
I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown  
of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge,  
will award me on that day...and not only to me...  
but also to all who have long for the appearing.

2 Timothy 4:7-8

## IN MEMORY OF George Simon

September 12, 1930 — June 29, 2011

### MEMORIAL SERVICE

Tuesday, July 5, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.  
St. Joseph Catholic Church  
Sioux Rapids, Iowa

### CLERGY

Reverend John Gerald

### ORGANIST

Minnie McKeever

### CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

“One Day At A Time”  
“How Great Thou Art”  
“On Eagle’s Wing”

### HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

George’s Grandson’s  
Tyler Simon, Ryan Simon  
Logan Simon, Alex Simon, Harrison Simon

### INTERMENT

Full Military Rites by the Graeber-Rowe American Legion Post  
Lone Tree Cemetery  
Sioux Rapids, Iowa

Arrangements by

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Albert City Marathon Sioux Rapids Storm Lake

**W**e wish to express our sincere gratitude for the many kindnesses evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service. You are invited to join us for lunch and a time of fellowship at the Sioux Rapids American Legion Community Center immediately following the burial.

— The Family of George Simon