



Jimmie Kinzie Simmons

October 30, 1946 - October 2, 2020

Jimmie Kinzie Simmons was born October 30, 1946 to Wanda B. Vandruff and Estol Ray Simmons at Deaconess Hospital in Newton, Kansas. He passed away October 2, 2020 at the age of 73 years, 11 months and 2 days.

Jimmie was raised by his Grandparents, Clarence & Winnie Vandruff in Furley, Kansas until his mom remarried R.G. Watson who was in the service and the Grandparents moved to Alva, Oklahoma in 1949.

The family moved around many times, due to being a service family. In 1954, the family lived in Alaska where Jimmie attended primary school through the second grade until the family transferred again to Wisconsin. Jimmie attended his freshman and sophomore year in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He attended his Junior and Senior years in Wichita, Kansas, where he graduated from East High in 1964.

Bob & Wanda moved back to Alva in 1968 and Jimmie followed soon after.

Jimmie worked at Sonic for Gary Adams for 15 years, then at NWOSU, under Dr. Joe Stuckley & Dr. White for three years, until he retired early.

Jimmie had a great love for the people of Alva and no matter where he had lived in his life, he claimed Alva as his home.

Jimmie is preceded in death by his parents, Wanda B. Vandruff and Estol Ray Simmons; his step-dad R.G. Watson; several Aunts; Uncles; a Cousin and a great friend, Larry Thorne.

He is survived by his sister, Catherine A. Peterson; his best friend, Jeff Cahoj; a number of nieces and nephews; friends and loved ones in Alva, Oklahoma.

Memorial Contributions may be made in Jimmie's memory to Alva Senior Citizens Center through Wharton Funeral Chapel.

Cemetery Details

Cherokee Municipal Cemetery

Cherokee Municipal Cemetery, OK 73728

Tribute Wall

RC

“ *In life you meet a few characters. Jimmie was quite a character in mine. I always enjoyed our visits and his positive outlook. RIP Jimmie!* ”

Rick Cunningham - October 10, 2020 at 12:56 PM

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“ *Jennetta Murry sent a virtual gift in memory of Jimmie Kinzie Simmons* ”



Jennetta Murry - October 06, 2020 at 10:45 PM

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“ *Kathryn Racette lit a candle in memory of Jimmie Kinzie Simmons* ”



Kathryn Racette - October 06, 2020 at 05:26 PM