



# **Bishop Otis Ray Simmons**

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**K**inston - Bishop Otis Ray Simmons, 70, was called from labor to reward on Saturday, December 19, 2020 at home. The celebration of his life will be held on Wednesday, December 23, 2020 at 1:00pm at the Goldsboro-Raleigh District Assembly (GRDA), 211 West Hooks River Road, Goldsboro, NC, with a viewing being held from 11:00am to 12:50pm. He will be laid to rest at the Pinelawn Memorial Park, 4488 Hwy 70 West, Kinston, NC.

He was born on September 15, 1950 in Turkey, (Sampson County), NC to Levander Simmons and Vera Thompson Simmons. He is survived by his wife, Althea Becton Simmons and sons.

Services of compassionate and distinguished class entrusted to Loftin Memorial-J.B. Rhodes Funeral Home of Kinston.



# Events

**Bishop Otis Ray Simmons**

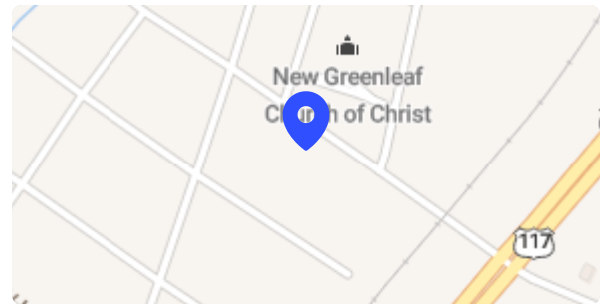
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## Viewing

**Wednesday**, December 23, 2020

11:00 AM - 12:50 PM ET

**Goldsboro-Raleigh District Assembly (GRDA)**  
211 West Hooks River Road, Goldsboro NC 27530

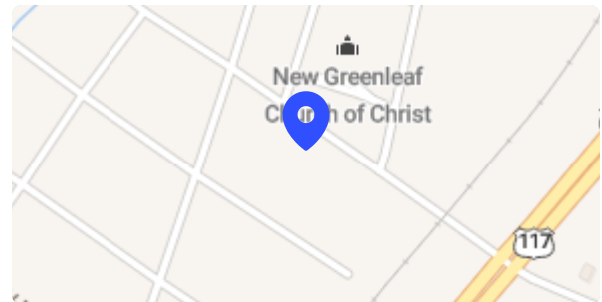


## Celebration of Life

**Wednesday**, December 23, 2020

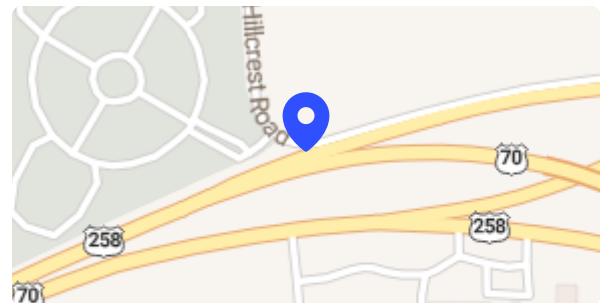
1:00 PM ET

**Goldsboro-Raleigh District Assembly (GRDA)**  
211 West Hooks River Road, Goldsboro NC 27530



## Cemetery Details

**Pinelawn Memorial Park**  
4488 Hwy 70 West, Kinston NC 28504





## Tribute Wall

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BA

**Bobbie Ammons** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

December 30 at 9:16 AM



PD

**Pastor Jennifer Daughety** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

December 30 at 8:18 AM



PH

**Patricia Hines** sent a virtual gift in honor of Otis.

December 26 at 7:39 PM



EF

**Elaine Fryar** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

December 24 at 1:56 PM



AS

**Angela Simmons** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

Prayers of comfort, strength, and peace to the family from the Williams/Simmons families...Ida, Angela (Sue), NaShaune, Attajhi, and Kwaalyd...

December 23 at 7:39 PM



GF

**Geneva Tatum And Family.** posted:

Sorry for your loss. Sending condolences to the family.

December 22 at 7:08 PM



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ST

**Susan Thompson** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

I'll think often of Cousin Otis. We had our Butler/Simmons Family Reunion in 2019 and he REALLY enjoyed himself. I would see him at community yard sales in Kinston as well, as he would stop by our relatives house and I would ALWAYS recognize him from a distance and he would flash that smile. Resting easier cuz. "Earth Has No Sorrow That Heaven Cannot Heal!"



December 22 at 12:13 PM

**AD** **Apostle Patricia David** December 23 at 8:18 AM  
Sending our prayers and Condolence to you First Lady Simmons and to the church family

**CS** **Cassandra H Stevenson** December 23 at 4:25 AM  
Condolences to Lady Simmons, the family and the church family.

**MF** **Ms Inez Mathis & Family** December 22 at 4:44 PM  
Condolences to the Simmons families & prayers for everyone.

**CK** **Carolyn Worrell King** December 22 at 1:53 PM  
My prayers and thoughts are with you. May God comfort and keep you during this sad time.  
Sincerely, Carolyn Worrell King

**HF** **Helen McNair Faison** December 22 at 1:44 PM  
Condolences to the families & prayers 🙏 for you. We will never forget Otis as our pastor at St.Paul well liked. You will be missed RIP no more pain. Helen McNair Faison

**BF** **Brenda Faison** December 22 at 12:26 PM  
My condolences and Deepest Sympathy to the Family !!

DJ

**Dorothy Johnson** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

My condolences to the family.

December 22 at 7:39 AM



JP

**Jennifer Perry** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

December 22 at 6:27 AM





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GB

**Gail Bell** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

December 22 at 6:05 AM



EK

**Earl Koonce** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

December 22 at 5:12 AM



RF

**Regina Frederick** sent a virtual gift in honor of Otis.

To the Simmons family I am so sorry for your loss I use to play piano for him back in the day! He was always nice My thoughts and prayers are with you all!! RIP Bishop!!

December 21 at 4:02 PM



EB

**Edna Bodnel** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

Rest easy with the Lord now Bishop! 🌸Edna Bodnel, San Antonio, Texas

December 21 at 3:30 PM



CS

**Connie Ray & Antanette Shine** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

December 21 at 11:54 AM



SA

**Sharon Dent-Armwood** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

December 21 at 9:41 AM





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**Thelma Jacobs Smith** lit a candle in honor of Otis.



December 21 at 7:19 AM



**Follissa** posted:

My deepest condolences to his wife, Mrs. A. Simmons, and my cousins; Rock, Clay, and OJ. May the peace of God comfort you today and forever. We love you, Niece and Phillip Faison

December 21 at 7:12 AM



**Aplostle John & Vera Marks** December 23 at 7:15 AM

Mark's Family. Condolences to Pastor Althea Simmons and Family, We are praying for Strength and Comfort during this time of bereavement, God will carry you through . Love you



**The Mathis Family Of Tutkey, Nc** December 22 at 4:08 AM

Althea and family, we are so saddened to hear of Otis passing. We loved Otis too! Please know we will be praying for you. God will see you through this difficult time. Judt trust Him!



**The Mathis Family** December 22 at 4:00 AM

Althea and family, Our hearts are saddened to hear of the passing of Otis. We loved him too! Trust in God, He will see you through. Praying for you during this difficult time.



**Annette** lit a candle in honor of Otis.



December 21 at 6:57 AM



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GM

**Gloria Morrisey** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

We are so sorry for your lost. Sharing in your sadness, the sermons he brought to our lives will not be forgotten. James and Gloria Morrisey

December 20 at 7:41 PM



HP

**Handy H. Peterson** December 21 at 2:28 PM

We deeply sadden, for the loss of such a great man of God; not only was he our Pastor, at St. Paul Clinton, he and I was close friends. Praying for the family. Deacon Handy and Elizabeth Peterson.

JB

**Jimmie Hicks Of Bowden Nc** sent a virtual gift in honor of Otis.

December 20 at 3:30 PM



RJ

**Romana Joyner Fry** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

December 20 at 3:16 PM



EL

**Evon & Doris R Lassiter** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

December 20 at 2:16 PM



ER

**Elwyanda Rogers** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

December 20 at 1:35 PM





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CR

**Carolyn Phillips Robinson** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

From The Phillips Family, Wallace, NC

December 20 at 10:40 AM



FR

**Fred And Marcia Rhoe** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

We are so sorry to hear of your loss but praying for the Simmons.

December 20 at 8:04 AM



GB

**Glenda Barksdale Bell** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

December 20 at 7:57 AM



RM

**Rev. Ronnie McNair** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

December 20 at 4:17 AM



LM

**Lisa S McNair** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

December 20 at 4:16 AM



LS

**Lillian Satchell** lit a candle in honor of Otis.

Sending the Simmons family my condolence Rest in Peace, Mr.Otis.

December 19 at 6:08 PM



**MF Ms Inez Mathis & Family** December 20 at 12:24 PM  
Sending the Simmons family condolences



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**Doris P Hickman Jones** lit a candle in honor of Otis.



December 19 at 3:53 PM



**Doris P Hickman Jones** December 19 at 4:01 PM

So sorry for your lost, he was a dear friend to me, Julius PAP Wiggins



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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