



## Mary Ann C. Simms

January 16, 1922 - March 15, 2019

Mary Ann Canaday Simms, 97, widow of Dr. Stewart B. Simms, passed away March 15, 2019.

A native of Raleigh, North Carolina, daughter of the late Ernest Franklin and Cecile Wood Canaday, she graduated from Meredith College and attended Southwestern Seminary. She was a member of Greer First Baptist Church. Surviving are two sons, Dr. Stewart B. Simms, Jr. of Athens, Georgia and Hon. Robert F. Simms of Greer; a daughter, Carol Ann Paret of Waco, Texas; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Simms was predeceased by a sister, Helen Canaday Simms.

A service of celebration and remembrance will be held 2:00 p.m. Friday, March 22, 2019 at The Wood Mortuary, conducted by Dr. Stewart B. Simms, Jr., Hon. Robert F. Simms and Mrs. Dottie Bryson. A private interment will be held at Wood Memorial Park.

The family is at their respective homes.

Memorials may be made to Mission:Dignity, P.O. Box 819109, Dallas, Texas 75381-9109.

Online condolences may be made at [www.thewoodmortuary.com](http://www.thewoodmortuary.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Wood Memorial Park

863 Gap Creek Road  
Duncan, SC 29334

# Previous Events

## Service

MAR 22. 2:00 PM (ET)

THE WOOD MORTUARY CHAPEL  
300 West Poinsett Street  
Greer, SC 29650  
(864) 877-3351  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ *WHAT A LOSS ! Our society needs more Mary Anns in it, not fewer. WHAT A LIFE ! Mary Ann was total good. The last time I saw Mary Ann was when I played the Celebration/Retirement service for Mr. James Murray. She looked great ! We kept exchanging Christmas cards until about two years ago. When I located her last Christmas through Carol, I sent a card. I can only hope that she was aware that I did. Mary Ann and I led a children's choir when I was in high school. She directed; I played. She would occasionally drop music by my house. My mother was always honored to have Greer First's "First Lady" to visit. When in undergrad and seminary, I'd stop to see Stewart and Mary Ann when home. We had the best times ! Mary Ann's passing is the end of an era for First Baptist Church, Greer. My deepest sympathy to Stewart, Jr, Robert, Carol and their families. . . Lee Duncan, SIWELYOR@aol.com*

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**Lee Duncan** - March 26, 2019 at 03:38 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Ann C. Simms.*



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March 22, 2019 at 01:03 AM

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“ Mary Ann and Stewart were next door neighbors of ours for 2 years in a subdivision off Taylor’s Rd in Greer, long ago. While Stewart was always trying to teach me how to grow vine tomatoes and make my own fertilizer, Mary Ann was making cookies and asking me to come In and visit. We loved them and after Stewart passed we kept in touch for a few years until after she moved to the assisted living facility. I’d see her out and about occasionally and it was always good to see her. She had a good and long life and I know she’s now back with Stewart. RIP Mary Ann.

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**Bill & Rhonda Watkins** - March 21, 2019 at 07:19 PM

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“ Carol, so sorry to see this post about your mom. You are so fortunate and blessed to have had her for so many years of your life. Praying for you as you travel home. May the hope we have in Jesus Christ comfort you all at this time. ~ Phyllis Burnette Underwood

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**Phyllis Burnette Underwood** - March 19, 2019 at 07:28 AM

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“ As a new choir member at Greer First (about 17 years ago), Mary Ann invited me to sit next to her and sing alto. She was so warm and friendly. I'll remember her with love and keep her family in my thoughts and prayers.

Mary C Smith  
602 Ashley Commons Ct  
Greer, SC 29651

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**Mary C Smith** - March 18, 2019 at 02:00 PM