



JR Simpson

July 31, 1947 - June 30, 2017

JR Simpson died peacefully on Friday, June 30, 2017, following an extended illness. Born in Milledgeville, Georgia, to Roscoe and Martha Overman Simpson, JR graduated Georgia Military College where he was cadet Battalion Commander. He received a BS from Georgia College, served as a U.S. Army Officer in Vietnam and completed his career as a telecommunications engineer with the General Services Administration. JR led a variety of major projects ranging from EUCOM's telecom modernization to reestablishing connectivity onsite following the 9-11 disaster in New York. Known best for his quick-wit and perpetual smile, JR loved hunting, fishing, and any excuse to play golf. JR is survived by his wife, Sandye; and children, Michelle Pitts (Kevin), Chad Castle (Kesleigh), Page Simpson, Chata Franklin (Travis), and Bert Simpson. He truly enjoyed his grandchildren, Tristan Davis, Zoe Davis, Kate Castle, Caroline Castle, Emma Harris, Corbin Franklin, Cort Castle, Clayton Castle, and Conley Franklin. To them he was Granddad, who loved his sweets. He is also survived by his two brothers, Stephen (Susan) and Daniel (Phyllis.) Services are on Saturday, July 15, 2017, at Mansfield Funeral Home, 1556 Heritage Parkway, Mansfield, Texas 76063. Reception is at 12:00 p.m. with a celebration of life following at 1:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Georgia Military College <https://alumni.gmc.edu/> or to the donor's favorite charity.

Events

JUL **Reception** 12:00PM - 01:00PM

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JUL **Celebration of Life** 01:00PM

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Comments



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of JR Simpson.



July 14, 2017 at 11:44 PM



“ Jamie Simpson purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of JR Simpson.



Jamie Simpson - July 14, 2017 at 06:15 PM



“ A Full Life was purchased for the family of JR Simpson.



July 13, 2017 at 06:00 PM



“ With Distinction was purchased for the family of JR Simpson.



July 13, 2017 at 04:03 PM



“ Johnny and I were very close friends in middle school years, many fun times at Lake Sinclair. We lost contact after high school.
I was sorry to see his obituary. Please accept my condolences in his passing.

Tommy Wood - July 13, 2017 at 11:50 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of JR Simpson.



July 12, 2017 at 11:01 PM



“ I will always remember J.R. as a coworker at GSA in the telecommunications field. I met he and Sandye in Virginia when GSA's telecommunications was moving from "POTS" to long distance/data and the Cloud. He was someone I looked up to because he a look of someone who knew alot about telecom. Now, after reading about his life, I see that he really did know alot. Sandye, was so thrilled to be his partner and always smiled when they were together. When I moved to Texas 8 years ago, I kept in touch with Sandye who also works here too. I know this is a hard time for the family to feel such a loss of a loved one as he was. My prayers and thoughts will be with the family. Julie Belindo

Julie Belindo - July 11, 2017 at 03:40 PM



“ JR, Stephen, and Dan were not like my Brithers, they were my Brithers. Our families had many joyous family get to gathers, but our special one was at Christmas. We enjoyed the togetherness, jokes, eating, and opening presents. We always remembered Jesus's Bithhday by holding hands and thanking him for something he had done for us that year. I could go on and on but there is one memory I must share. My husband had an old pick up truck named Rose Bud. The three Simpson boys would get on theback and he would take them flying through Hardwvk. No seat belts or safety devices. God looked after them. One day they got stuck in the mud and returned looking deplorable. What good fun they had. JR was a good man. He served in the military for our freedom so we would not have to be exposed to cruel acts of some countries. He was only good to his friends and family, he assisted in helping a family relocate to the U.S. From another country so they could live a better quality of life. I could could go on and on about his great qualities but the tears rolling down my cheeks tell me Johnny says that's enough. RIP I love u Mel

melody Manning - July 10, 2017 at 11:41 PM



“ I have no words to describe how much JR meant to Bill and I. He was more a brother to me than a friend. Always loved to joke around and make everyone happy. I truly believe that he and Bill are having an awesome time right now. They were the best of friends. You were truly loved!

Shirley R Jones - July 10, 2017 at 10:20 PM



“ It was an honor to know Johnny during my 4 years at GMC.

David N. Gibbs
Athens, GA

David Gibbs - July 10, 2017 at 08:03 PM



“ Always liked Jonny, He had a way of ending up at the top!

larry Spillers - July 11, 2017 at 11:58 AM



“ I ran into Johnnie in Vietnam in 1971. I had brought some 11th ACR troopers in to see the USO show with Bob Hope. I don't know how it happened but I met Johnny and told him I didn't have a place to stay the night and he put me up in his "hooch", we also toured the "club" on USA-V hill after the show. He was an all around "good guy" and he will be missed by all who knew him.. Joey Flanders

Joey Flanders - July 10, 2017 at 03:16 PM



“ Steve, Dan, and other family members,
Marion and I want to express our deepest sympathy to you in the loss of Johnny, as we knew him. We both loved your family and found delight in watching the three boys of Roscoe and Martha grow up. You don't remember, as I do, I am sure, countless hours I spent in your home when Martha was our GA leader. I always came early so that I could spend time with you boys, as I loved children then as I continued to do and became a teacher. We were at the funerals of both your parents and have talked often and told the story of how meaningful you guys made those services. May you find comfort and strength from the God we serve.
With love always,
Linda and Marion Pennington

Linda Pennington - July 10, 2017 at 09:19 AM



“ My sincere condolences to the entire family. Both Ronny and I grew up in Milledgeville, Ga. and attended Georgia Military College, where he excelled as a cadet and became Battalion Commander. I will always remember him for his wit and eagerness to help others. RIP my friend.

Jim (Jimmy) Durden - July 10, 2017 at 07:15 AM



“ My sincere condolences to the entire family. I met J.R. in Germany. I'll never forget him.
R.I.P

Elke Brueckheimer - July 11, 2017 at 01:22 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of JR Simpson.



July 09, 2017 at 08:11 PM



“ Sandye,
So sorry for your loss! It's so difficult to loose your partner & love of your life. I know your family will surround you with live & comfort at this difficult time. You are in my thoughts & prayers. Pam

Pam Horne - July 09, 2017 at 07:12 AM



“ What a joy to get to know J.R. and live next door to he and Sandye.
Keeping all th amily in prayer.
God Bless, Jane Parris

Jane Parris - July 07, 2017 at 11:52 AM



“ Frank Palumbo purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of JR Simpson.



Frank A Palumbo - July 06, 2017 at 05:06 PM



“ Sandye,

My deepest condolences. JR was true friend and I'll will miss him. I have only fond memories of our many years working together. JR was loved, respected, and admired by all who knew him. He was truly among the best of us.

Frank Palumbo

Frank A Palumbo - July 06, 2017 at 03:55 PM



“ Sandye, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of JR. My condolences to you and your family. I will keep you and your family in my prayers.

LaTieya Palmer - July 06, 2017 at 01:15 PM



“ Sandye,

I am so very sorry for your loss. You have my deepest sympathy and condolences. My prayers are with you and your family.

Yolande Wilson - July 06, 2017 at 10:25 AM



“ Sandye,

My deepest condolences. I know you always spoke highly of JR and he will be sorely missed.

Melissa Salvatore/SSAC

Melissa Salvatore - July 06, 2017 at 08:03 AM



“ Sandye,

So very sorry. Please take comfort in your memories and a life well lived.
Charmaine Zilliox

charmaine zilliox - July 05, 2017 at 09:07 PM



“ Sandra,

I am sorry to hear of the loss of your husband.

Tom

Tom Walker - July 05, 2017 at 08:28 PM



“ Many years ago, I had the honor to work with JR when AT&T installed several telephone switches in Santa Fe, NM. I was a pleasure working with him, as he knew how to keep AT&T on their toes, I learnt a lot from that task. My wife and I send our condolences to your whole family, and have you all in our prayers, JR was a fine man.

Ed and Sheila Lefebvre

Ed Lefebvre - July 05, 2017 at 06:34 PM



“ Sandye, I am so sorry to hear about JR. I will be keeping you & family in my prayers.

Donna Renner - July 06, 2017 at 02:58 PM



“ Sandye: My condolences to you and your family on the loss of your husband. I will keep you all in my prayers.

Sincerely,
Edwin McGillick

Edwin McGillick - July 05, 2017 at 05:48 PM



“ Sandye, Steve and I are so sorry to hear about JR. You and family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Steve and Diane Williams

Diane Williams - July 05, 2017 at 09:06 PM



“ Sandye: I am so fortunate to have had the chance to work with you and JR both at GSA all these years. JR was a very supportive co-worker and truly admired by all. He will be sorely missed.

Love you so much, Patricia, Chris and Catherine Renfro

Patricia Renfro - July 05, 2017 at 10:29 AM