



Peter Worthington Simmons, Sr.

August 5, 2019

Peter W. Simmons Sr. passed on Monday August 5th at 100 years old. His wife Lois passed in 2015 after 72 years of marriage. He is survived by his three children, Pamela C. Sce, John P. Simmons and Peter W. Simmons Jr. He has seven grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. He is also survived by thousands of friends who he has met along the way.

Peter was educated as a chemist, but soon found his passion in sales and marketing. After graduating from Colgate College, he joined the Dow Chemical Company selling plastics to a rapidly expanding industry. He was the National President of the Society of Plastics Engineers in 1957. After a distinguished career at Dow Chemical, Peter retired in 1981 and moved to Florida.

Peter soon became bored and started a chemical distribution company called Simmons Chemical Corporation. The enterprise has changed much in 37 years and is now called SimChem Corporation. Even at 100, Peter went into the company to make blends of chemicals for his favorite customers.

Known as “Pops” to family and Mr. Pete to many in the area, his smile and quick wit will be remembered by all. He loved life, boating and friends. He attended the early service at the Church of the Redeemer in Sarasota, where he timed all sermons and reported ones that were “too long”. He could be

seen in a front pew singing hymns. What most people didn't know is he only sang the words to "Onward Christian Soldier" to whatever hymn was being played.

Peter will be missed by all, but we know he is at peace with his beloved wife Lois.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

AUG 10. 11:30 AM (ET)

Church of the Redeemer
222 S. Palm Ave
Sarasota, FL 34236

Entombment

AUG 10. 2:00 PM (ET)

Palms Memorial Park Cemetery
170 Honore Avenue
Sarasota, FL 34232