



## Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons

April 6, 1974 - December 4, 2023

Formerly of Saginaw.

Yohance Emel Simmons was born April 6, 1974 in Saginaw, Michigan the son of Kye H. Simmons, Sr. and Ella M. Simmons.

Yohance left Saginaw, Michigan many years ago and began living in Topeka, Kansas. He was a resident there until his passing on December 4, 2023.

He was a member of Bethel A.M.E. Church Saginaw. During his time at Bethel, Yohance served as an usher and participated in many theatrical productions. He graduated from Arthur Hill High School in Saginaw, Class of 1992. In high school, he was a member of the band. Yohance played football and was part of the football championship team. He continued his educational journey and attended Delta College in Bay City, Michigan. Yohance was employed by Frito Lay in Topeka, Kansas.

Mr. Yohance Simmons leaves to cherish his memory his loving mother, Ella M. Simmons, Saginaw; one brother, Kye Simmons, Jr., Saginaw; two aunts, Bourah J. Cook, Greenville, MS and Alice Walker-Conant (Carl Conant) Bossier City, LA; one uncle, Robert C.E. Simon, Saginaw; three nieces, Kylesse and Imani Simmons both of Topeka, KS and Kya Simmons, Grand Rapids, MI; a cousin, Elton Simmons, other relatives and friends.

Mr. Simmons was preceded in death by his father, Kye H. Simmons, Sr.; his paternal and maternal grandparents; uncles and aunts.

The family would like to express special thanks to Karim Crim and family, of Topeka, KS and Mrs. Doris Wafer of Saginaw.

A graveside service will take place at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 27, 2023 at Forest Lawn Cemetery, 3210 S. Washington Ave., Saginaw, MI 48601. Rev. Dr. Dennis Laffoon will officiate.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue  
Saginaw, MI

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

DEC 27. 1:00 PM (ET)

Forest Lawn Cemetery  
3210 S. Washington Avenue  
Saginaw, MI

# Tribute Wall

SF

“ Prayers up for the family I spent time with his brother kye and military at Fort Riley. 2705561337. Crushgrill

spencer forrest - February 05 at 07:21 PM

AH

“ Arnetra Howard sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons



Arnetra Howard - December 29, 2023 at 01:53 PM

RW

“ Watch him grow at Bethel condolences family



Rodney Walker and Barbara Walker - December 27, 2023 at 07:47 PM

IR

“ My thoughts and prayers of comfort for Ms. Ella and Yohance entire family. I had the pleasure of working with Yohance at Frito-Lay for many years. During that time, he and I became very good friends. I will miss our conversations and his words of wisdom. May God continue to comfort you all.

Sincerely,  
Irene Foreman

Irene - December 25, 2023 at 09:50 AM

KK

“ *Karim, Vicki and Kids purchased the Floor Plant for sympathy for the family of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons.*



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**Karim, Vicki and Kids** - December 24, 2023 at 09:22 PM

KC

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Karim Crim** - December 24, 2023 at 09:10 PM

BJ

“ *Barbara Jenkins and family are sorry for the loss of your son Yohance, Prayers, Love and Condolences to you, Ella Simmons and your family* ❤️🙏



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**Barbara Jenkins** - December 24, 2023 at 01:32 AM

HF

“ Our Thoughts and Prayers go out to Ella Simmons and the entire Family and Friends of Yohance Simmons. Yohance was a nice hard working young man. May God be with you all at this difficult time.

God's Blessings and Love To All. Houston and Elaine Jackson, Jr. & Family



Houston and Elaine Jackson Jr & Family - December 23, 2023 at 03:54 PM

OP

“ Omar Parks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons



Omar Parks - December 22, 2023 at 02:36 PM

SW

“ Sara Walker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons



Sara Walker - December 22, 2023 at 08:46 AM

FF

“ Frito Lay Friends planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Yohance Simmons.

Frito Lay Friends - December 21, 2023 at 02:13 PM

FF

“ Frito Lay Friends purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons.



Frito Lay Friends - December 21, 2023 at 02:13 PM

KC

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Karim Crim - December 21, 2023 at 11:52 AM

KC

“ Karim Crim lit a candle in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons



Karim Crim - December 21, 2023 at 11:50 AM

TB

“ Tonja S Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons



Tonja S Brown - December 21, 2023 at 01:16 AM

GW

“ *Gracie M Witherspoon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons*



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**Gracie M Witherspoon** - December 21, 2023 at 01:13 AM

TH

“ *Tara Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons*



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**Tara Henderson** - December 19, 2023 at 11:15 AM

CS

“ *My prayers are with you kye and your family*



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**Crystal Simmons** - December 17, 2023 at 07:22 PM

BC

“ *Bobbie Crosby-Locke sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons*



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**Bobbie Crosby-Locke** - December 13, 2023 at 08:41 AM

MS

“ *Min. Thomas & Helen Speed sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons*



**Min. Thomas & Helen Speed** - December 12, 2023 at 11:52 PM

HJ

“ *Houston & Elaine Jackson Jr lit a candle in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons*



**Houston & Elaine Jackson Jr** - December 12, 2023 at 02:02 PM

MS

“ *Min. Thomas & Helen Speed sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons*



**Min. Thomas & Helen Speed** - December 12, 2023 at 08:01 AM

AC

“ *Alina Cannon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons*



**Alina Cannon** - December 12, 2023 at 04:43 AM

BJ

“ *Brenda Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons*



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**Brenda Jones** - December 11, 2023 at 05:27 PM

AN

“ *He and I were co-workers at Frito-Lay. He was the kindest person and in all the years we worked together I never seen him mad. Always had his bible with him.*

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**Annette** - December 11, 2023 at 12:16 AM

DH

“ *Delta Hawkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons*



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**Delta Hawkins** - December 10, 2023 at 04:31 PM

CD

“ *Chon Dugan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons*



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**Chon Dugan** - December 09, 2023 at 11:06 PM



“ Yvette Wofford lit a candle in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons



Yvette Wofford - December 09, 2023 at 07:33 PM



“ Vanessa HumesJohnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons



Vanessa HumesJohnson - December 09, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ YvonneSanders lit a candle in memory of Mr. Yohance Emel Simmons



YvonneSanders - December 08, 2023 at 07:48 PM



“ Ella, Kyle Jr and family  
I extend my deepest sympathy to you. May God keep you in his Care.



Brenda Jones - December 08, 2023 at 11:08 AM