



## Mrs. Rosalyne Simpson

November 30, 1956 - April 3, 2022

### In Loving Memory Of:

Rosalyn Simpson was the first child born to LC and Margaret Craig on November 30, 1956, at Harper Hospital in Detroit, Michigan. Both of her parents preceded her in death.

“Robbie”, as she was affectionately called was educated in her early years in the Detroit Public School System. She graduated from Thomas M. Cooley High School in the year of 1975. She then extended her educational endeavors as she studied at Oakland Community College in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan where she received her associate degree in Business Administration with a concentration in accounting. She then went on to study accounting at Lewis College of Business in Detroit, Michigan.

Rosalyn accepted Christ in her youthful days and was baptized at Unity Baptist Church in Detroit, Michigan. She was actively involved with the Scholarship Committee and Trustee Board until her passing.

In 1984 Rosalyn married Malcolm Gerald Simpson on November 13, and to this union one daughter was born, Sicoya Sterling Simpson on December 10, 1984. They were married for 28 years before Malcolm preceded her in death in 2012. In 2013 she moved to Chanticleer Condominiums in Southfield, Michigan, where she served on the Board of Directors for the condominium

association.

Rosalynne was employed at Delphi a subsidiary of General Motors Corporation as a data analyst. She then went on to work with EDS (Electronic Data Systems) also affiliated with General Motors Corporation as a data analyst, in which she was employed for over twenty-plus years.

Rosalynne then retired at the age of fifty years old in 2006. Because of her love for working and helping others, she accepted a position at Hope Academy in Detroit, Michigan as an accountant.

Rosalynne Simpson had a life in which she helped so many in the community. With that passion, she became a member of Gamma Mu Chapter, Gamma Phi Delta Sorority, Inc. on July 19, 1987. Gamma Phi Delta strives to improve the economic, social, and political status of all women to motivate the members to further their education/training and maintain a better relationship among women of all races and creeds. This is what Rosalynne Simpson's character consisted of. During her tenure within the organization, Rosalynne held prominent roles such as Chapter President, Vice President, Treasurer, Youth Advisor, and Editor.

Rosalynne was also very active in her daughter's educational life as she participated in her cheerleading, DAPCEP, girl scouts, and the parent association at Cass Technical High School. Sicoya was the apple of her eye.

Rosalynne was a woman that loved family. She enjoyed hosting family gatherings, taking trips, and spoiling her grandchildren. She hosted so many events at the house on LaSalle and Woodstock. She loved Jazz and frequented many jazz concerts. She also loved to dance. Her favorite dance was "THE WOP", a family dance that her baby brother Lernardo created.

Rosalynne departed this life on Sunday, April 3, 2022 in the comfort of her home, surrounded by her loving family. She leaves to cherish her memory: Daughter, Sicoya (Herbert) McKinnon, Son, Malcolm (LaShawna) Simpson, and Godson Antoine Morrison. Six siblings; Anthony (Rebecca) Craig, Aaron Craig, Larnardo Craig, Nicole Craig-Kirksey, Norma Hopson, Sylvester (Elaine) Smith; sisters-in-law, Sharon Simpson and Rosalind Simpson; grandchildren, Herbert McKinnon, Jr., Madison Simpson, Skylar Simpson, and Teagan Simpson; Close girlfriends Jackie Fuller-Malcolm and Veneda Fox-Sanders and a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and many friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Detroit Memorial Park West

25200 Plymouth Road  
Redford Twp., MI 48239

# Previous Events

## Family Hour

Thursday, Apr. **14**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Unity Baptist Church  
7500 Tireman  
Detroit, MI 48204

## Funeral Service

Thursday, Apr. **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Rosalyne Simpson*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Monica Jenkins & Nicole Petty purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Rosalyne Simpson.*



**Monica Jenkins & Nicole Petty** - April 13, 2022 at 01:13 PM



“ *We are deeply saddened by the news about the death of Rosalyne who will be greatly missed as one of our Chanticleer Condominium Association Board of Directors and next-door neighbor. We will miss her helpful advice as a board director, foresight and diligence, hearing her laughter and willingness to always provide answers to the most frequently asked questions related to the rules and regulations set forth by the condominium development.*

*May the special memories you made together with Rosalyne help you through these most difficult times. May God bless you and your family during this time and always.*

*Sherry Stephens and Zelma Smith-Dexter  
Chanticleers Neighbors*

**Zelma Smith-Dexter** - April 13, 2022 at 11:54 AM

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“Ros was a ‘big sister to me’. We had so many good times working at EDS together. I will never forget her and always be grateful for our moments on earth. The best is yet to come!



Tanya Geffrard - April 12, 2022 at 08:41 PM

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“Our family finally got to meet "aunt Roz" in July of 2019. After months of planning for our cruise, we met aunt Roz and mom in Florida for a few days of sunshine before we took off on the cruise. A group of 62 family members and aunt Roz took the time to introduce herself to everyone. Right away we were family. It was an amazing trip. We were originally scheduled to stop in Cuba but the itinerary was changed. That didn't change the fact that it was still one of the best and most memorable trips for everyone. I still remember our group dinners, aunt Roz and mom in their beautiful dresses on "dress up for dinner" night, aunt Roz dancing with Andy to live music every night, and our amazing time on the private island. I remember how excited aunt Roz was for our next cruise. She wanted me to plan our next one soon. I heard from aunt Roz again during Christmas time of that year, wishing us all a Merry Christmas, and then a few months after that during Covid lockdown. She was still excited about a possible cruise once that's allowed again. I will truly miss not getting the opportunity to take more trips with aunt Roz and getting the chance to get to know her better.

*I hope you all find comfort in knowing that aunt Roz lived a great life. She was an amazingly joyful and kind to us during the short time we got to know her. Aunt Roz's spirit will be with us when we set sail on that next cruise and she will be smiling from heaven.*

Mike Luu - April 11, 2022 at 06:03 PM

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“ *The Luu family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Rosalyne Simpson.*



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**The Luu family** - April 11, 2022 at 05:09 PM

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“ *Thanking GOD for Rosalyne's life, and praying for strength and comfort for you and your family..*



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**BRENDA BUTLER** - April 10, 2022 at 12:33 PM