



## Niles Sims

April 9, 1931 - August 24, 2018

David 'Niles' Sims, 87, of Lee's Summit, Missouri, passed away peacefully on August 24, 2018, at Summit Pointe Health Facility.

Niles was born on April 9, 1931, in Jefferson City, Missouri, to William Tell Sims and Mary Theodocia Roach. Niles joined the U.S. Navy December 28, 1950, and was in the Korean War. He served as a store keeper on the USS Calvert and was honorably discharged on November 3, 1954. He then attended Central Missouri College in Warrensburg, MO, and graduated with a business degree.

On December 1, 1956, in Sedalia, MO, Niles married his eternal companion Deloris Ann Furnell. After being hired as a computer operator with Phillips Petroleum Co. in March 1960, they made their home in Bartlesville, Oklahoma for the majority of their lives. He retired from Phillips after 36 years of dedicated service.

He was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, serving in numerous callings. Niles was well known for being the church softball coach where he led the team to 1st and 2nd place seasons. Even after retirement he continued to contribute to the community by driving for Grisham's Eye Associates and City Ride - making friends wherever he went.

Niles was preceded in death by his wife of 47 years, Deloris; his parents, William and Mary (Dottie) Sims; and his brother Jerry Sims. He is survived by his three children: son David and his wife Lesta Sims of Lee's Summit, MO, daughter, Lori and her husband Jeff Hartzfeld of Layton, Utah, and daughter Angela and her husband Todd McClintock of Bartlesville OK; 10 grandchildren; nine great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Niles will be remembered for his big smile, huge laugh and long hugs.

Niles's family will receive friends at the Davis Family Funeral Home – Walker Brown Chapel, 918-333-7665, 4201 Nowata Rd, Bartlesville, on Thursday, August 30, from 6-8 p.m. Visitation will also be held on Thursday from 9-8. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the DAV Disabled American Veterans, Chapter #65 Washington County, PO BOX 491, Dewey, OK 74029.

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. on Friday, August 31, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1501 SE Swan Drive. Brother Jim Pidge will preside. Burial will follow at the Bartlesville Memorial Park Cemetery immediately following the funeral service. Military rites will be provided by the James T. Teel American Legion Post 105 Honor Guard. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home – Walker Brown Chapel.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **30**. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory - Walker Brown Chapel  
4201 Nowata Rd  
Bartlesville, OK 74006  
(918) 333-7665  
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Service

AUG **31**. 10:00 AM (CT)

the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints  
1501 SE Swan Drive  
Bartlesville, OK 74006

# Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Niles Sims*



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**Davis Family Funeral Home** - August 29, 2018 at 09:37 PM

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*These pictures are so precious!! "The Niles" would ALWAYS bring a smile to your face and light up a room!*

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**Skarlett** - August 31, 2018 at 10:40 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Niles Sims.*



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August 31, 2018 at 08:36 AM