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SENECA — Richard Dean Simmons, 75, husband of Dorma Bradley Simmons, died at his home Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2024, after several years of declining health from Parkinson's disease.

Simmons is the son of the late Raymond and Minnie Lee Simmons. He was a five-year Navy veteran, serving in Vietnam as a journalist. Following his honorable discharge, Simmons had a long career in various fields, including at Milliken and in the restaurant industry. He spent the last 30 years as a truck driver.

Simmons was predeceased by a brother, Raymond Simmons.

Surviving in addition to his wife are: a step-daughter, Amanda Allen (Chesapeake, Va.); and four grandchildren, Zach Hubbard (Charlotte, N.C.), Will Headley (Sewanee, Tenn.), Shane Allen (Chesapeake, Va.) and Emma Allen (Chesapeake, Va.).