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## Local company helps make moving a smoother process

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Just over four years ago, Stone Mountain resident Adrienne Simpson agreed to help her mother, Shirley Funderburg, move. Funderburg had relocated to Georgia to be close to Simpson and her 6-year-old daughter, Kendall. But now Kendall was a teenager, and Funderburg decided to move back to Michigan to be close to her friends and extended family. But such a major relocation for a senior citizen in her mid-

60s was not an easy prospect.

"She was very excited about moving, but when she looked at everything that had to be done, it took the joy out of going home," Simpson said of her mother. "So I told my mom that I would take care of everything."

Eager to help out, Simpson set about organizing all the details, which at the time she thought would include mostly wrapping up dishes, furniture and other items, boxing them and shipping them north. But Harris was in for a different experience.

"She started walking

through the house and saying, 'I'm going to take this, donate this, and sell this,' and I realized that this was going to be a complicated endeavor," she said. "I thought she would move the same way I did, but moving for seniors is different. That's when I realized that when seniors move, they are concerned about leaving a legacy."

Simpson created a moving plan — organize an estate sale, hold a garage sale, clean the house, pack the items and rent a truck.

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From back left, Adrienne Simpson, Dana Fitts, Yketta Perkins and Joseph Hill; front from left, Eric Grisom, Jarrett Lyons and Kenneth Johnson pose in front of on the trucks for the company Smooth Mooove.

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