



Frank Edward Martin

May 11, 2019

Frank Martin passed from this life on Saturday, May 11, 2019. He was born in Dardanelle, Arkansas on August 30, 1932 to Cecil May Martin and Roy J. Martin, Sr.

Upon graduating from Dardanelle High School in 1950, Frank joined the Navy. He was stationed in Kingsville, Texas and Key West, Florida. During this time he married Mary Lou Alexander of Carden Bottom. They spent the next 58 years together navigating their life adventures.

After leaving the Navy, Frank attended the University of Arkansas where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Engineering. It was here that he became a lifelong Razorback fan. Frank began his career at Western Electric in Kansas City, Missouri. He then transferred to Little Rock to work for the Teletype Corporation. After 25 years at Teletype, Frank retired to pursue his true passions, fishing, gardening and following the Arkansas Razorbacks. He also became an avid walker after he retired. He was well known among his neighbors in Cherry Creek where he walked every evening.

Frank was a member of Lakeshore Drive Baptist Church for over 30 years and also attended Immanuel Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Mary Lou Martin, and his brothers, Roy "Buck" Martin, jr. and Jimmy Reed Martin.

He is survived by his children, Linda Beth Martin and Jeffrey Edward Martin, his grandchildren, Serena Swarna Martin and Tristan Edward Martin, and his sister, Dorothy Ann Grace.

Services will be held on Monday, May 20 at 2:00 p.m. at Little Rock Funeral Home, 8801 Knoedl Ct. (NW corner I-630 and Barrow Rd.). Visitation will precede the service, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Memorial gifts may be made to the Arkansas Food Bank, 4301 W. 65th St., Little Rock, AR 72209.

Arrangements by Little Rock Funeral Home, (501)224-2200. Frank's online guestbook may be signed at www.littlerockfuneralhome.com.

Events

MAY **Visitation** 01:00PM - 02:00PM

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8801 Knoedl Ct, Little Rock, AR, US, 72205

MAY **Service** 02:00PM

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Comments



“ Hello everyone,

Dear Linda and Jeff, my name is Benilda (B) Tillman, and Frank was my neighbor at Cherryside Dr. for many years. Frank was very attentive to his lovely wife Mary and he ministered to her beautifully while she was ill. Frank would walk the neighborhood on a daily basis year in and year out. Sometimes I would see him talking to some of our neighbors as he got his walk in. He liked the fact that my granddaughter became an engineer; sent words of encouragement to her. He would ask me about her all the time.

Frank would ask about my grandson also. I missed him the day he moved away. He would call me and I would call him.

There is good news to report this evening: Frank has been healed! My condolences to the family, please know that he's in a better place. Know that his walking was not in vain. I believe he ministered to those he encountered along the way.

On behalf of Jimmie and Benilda Tillman along with the grandchildren, RIP Frank.

B. Tillman

benilda tillman - 5 hours ago



“ My children loved their grandfather, Papa, very much. He was always interested in what was going on in their lives. He always greeted them with hugs and pats on the backs.

I enjoyed my visits with Frank and our conversations. He never failed to ask about the members of my family. I am thankful that Mary Lou and he welcomed me into the family 24 years ago and shared his family with me.

I know he is happy to be with Mary Lou again. I bet he is smiling and enjoying some of her great Coca Cola chocolate cake right now.

Linda and Jeff, please let me know if you need anything.

love,

Colleen

Colleen Martin - Yesterday at 10:54 AM



“ Linda Beth, Jeff. I have so many fond/wonderful memories of both your Dad and Mom. One that stands out is that your Dad introduced me to hand made sodas at a soda fountain. From that day on, I have had a weakness for hand made chocolate sodas. Which are a rare treat in today's times. Love and prayers for you both.

Michael Grace - May 17 at 10:59 PM



“ Members of the Little Rock Central High School Class of 1980 send our warmest condolences to Linda, family, and friends upon Mr. Martin's passing. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Little Rock Central High School Class of - May 17 at 07:58 PM



“ Divine Light was purchased for the family of Frank Edward Martin.



May 17 at 09:14 AM



“ To the Family:
I worked as a clerk in the Engineering Dept. of Teletype and always appreciated his kindness and helpfulness Frank showed to me. I know you each will miss him..

Evelyn Bruce - May 15 at 09:56 AM



“ Dear Linda Beth & Jeff,
Just wanted you to know how sorry I am to hear of your dad passing away. Your dad and mother and both of you had just moved to Little Rock, when your dad transferred from the Western Electric Company to the Teletype Corporation. Just about that time, I was hired by Teletype; and Frank was the lead industrial engineer to whom I reported. He taught me a great deal. We remained friends even after Frank retired; and spoke by phone on occasion. Both of you were young children at the time when you, your dad, and your mother came to visit my wife, Pat, and daughter, Robyn, and me when we lived in Twin Lakes. Both of you are in our thoughts and prayers at this time.
Jim & Pat Rush
Greenville, South Carolina

Jim Rush - May 15 at 08:56 AM



“ I remember being little and my family and I would travel down to Little Rock from St. Louis. Papa had his favorite chair and whenever he would get up I would jump into his chair and say “I got your sit down”. Papa made me into the hog loving fan I am

serena - May 14 at 12:56 AM