



Bernard "Whitey" Martin

November 9, 1934 - February 28, 2014

Visitation for Bernard A. "Whitey" Martin, 79, of Kankakee, will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais, where funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday. Burial will be in the Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood. Memorials may be made to the family wishes. He passed away Friday (Feb. 28, 2014) at Presence St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee.

Mr. Martin was retired from the Secretary of State drivers facilities. He was a real estate agent and insurance broker. He was born Nov. 9, 1934, in Bradley, the son of Lester and Bernice DeMarrah Martin. He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Kankakee and a former member of Rotary. He was also a former Kankakee alderman. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and was a member of the American Legion. He enjoyed cooking, meeting friends for coffee in the morning, and being outside and spending time with friends and family. He loved his cats.

Surviving are his wife, the former Nancy Leek, of Kankakee, whom he married Feb. 1, 1979; two daughters, Tammy Lancaster, of Kankakee, and Toni Bolling, of Bourbonnais; three grandchildren, A.J. Lancaster, Ashli Lancaster and Amanda Lancaster; four great-grandchildren, Abigail, Gavin and Rayelynn Lancaster, and Talon Sorenson; one sister and two brothers-in-law, Delma and Ray Burkhalter, of Bourbonnais, and Edward Kemnitz; one sister-

in-law, Sharon Martin; his mother-in-law Annis Leek of Aroma Park; brother-in-law and sister-in-law Bob and Roxanna Leek of Bourbonnais; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Clarice Ulvestad and Anita Kemnitz; one brother, Jerome "Peanut" Martin; and his father-in-law William Leek..

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 6. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
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Funeral Service

MAR 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Bernard "Whitey" Martin



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - February 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FF

“ I'm so sorry, Nancy! RIP, Whitey!

Frieda Funk - March 08, 2014 at 12:27 AM

DB

“ so sorry about whitey, nancy . our sympathies to you and your family

doug and marcia born

doug and marcia born - March 06, 2014 at 09:13 AM

JM

“ Good friend, you could have waited. We really wanted just one more backyard summer Sunday afternoon. Again, our hearts ache over the loss of one we loved. God's peace to Nancy, Tammy and Toni. Jan & Fred Michela

John Fred Michela - March 05, 2014 at 07:07 AM