

Leonard "Shakey" Martin

December 1, 1922 - June 10, 2007

Leonard Martin -- Bradley Visitation for Leonard "Shakey" Martin, 84, of Bradley, will be from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bradley. The Rev. Tony Nugent will officiate. Burial will be in All Saints Cemetery, Bourbonnais. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Joseph Grade School or to Hospice of Kankakee Valley. He died Sunday (June 10, 2007) at his home. Mr. Martin was a partner in S&M Gas Service for 40 years. He was a Bradley-Bourbonnais Community High School board member from 1954 to 1963 and a Bourbonnais Township Assessor from 1961 to 1965. He began serving on the Kankakee County Board in 1972, where he served as board chairman from 1998 to 2000. He was born Dec. 1, 1922, in Bradley, the son of Dolar E. and Laurette Mailloux Martin. His first wife, the former Mary Mayotte, whom he married June 14, 1947, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, died March 4, 1970. He was a graduate of BBCHS and attended the University of Illinois and the University of Oregon. He was a member of the Bradley-Bourbonnais High School Athletic Hall of Fame. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II as a staff sergeant in the European Theatre. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, where he was a greeter; former president of the Holy Name Society; former president of St. Joseph Parish Board; and member of the St. Joseph school board. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Moose, the Elks, the Bradley American Legion Post 766 and VFW Post 6502,

and a founding member of the Bradley Lions Club. He loved golfing, playing bridge, and ballroom dancing with his wife. He was an avid Cubs fan. Surviving are his wife, the former Theresa Grill DuBois, whom he married July 20, 1984, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bradley; five daughters and sons-in-law, Emily Sue and Christopher Clott of Chicago, Deborah and Andrew Bissonnette of Horicon, Wis., Michelle and Donald Tobin of Chicago, Jennifer and Michael Broadway of Marquette, Mich., Lisa and Norman Styck of Grand Haven, Mich.; two stepsons and stepdaughters-in-law, Gregory and Camille DuBois of Scottsdale, Ariz., Thomas and Kim DuBois of Spring Grove; one stepdaughter and stepson-in-law, Mary and Randy Blanchette of Manteno; 21 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; three sisters and one brother-in-law, Dolores Smith of Kankakee, Marilyn Johanson of Ocala, Fla., Claudia Blake Jones and Jerry Jones of Bourbonnais; two brothers, Richard Martin of Bear Creek, Ala., Paul Martin of Jackson, Mich.; and several nieces and nephews. Deceased are two sisters, Theresa Devine, and infant, Shirley; one infant brother, Albert; one stepdaughter, Jacqueline DuBois; and one stepson, James DuBois.

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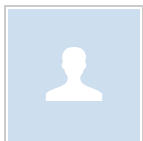


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“ *Shakey and I may have had our political disagreements, really not many, but I always knew that our goal was the same--whatever was best for Kankakee County. ĩ½It was how we got there that stirred discussion. ĩ½Shakey is one of the few people that pass through one's life who is always remembered and admired. ĩ½His contributiions to the community will be missed and the mere mention of his name will evoke fond memories.##imported-begin##Bruce Huot##imported-end##*

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“ *Although I only knew Shakey for a few short months of bridge playing at the K of C, I certainly enjoyed his company. ĩ½He was always a gentleman and never said anything bad about anyone. ĩ½I only wish I had known him longer. ĩ½My prayers are with you.##imported-begin##David L Hegg, MD##imported-end##*

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“ A fine & smart man that will be missed by the people of Kankakee County.##imported-begin##Mr.&Mrs. Billy D. Patton##imported-end##

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“ Dear Martin Family:

I'm very sorry to hear that we lost a really great guy! Shakey was a larger than life personality who always made me laugh as a teenager hanging around with Lisa. He was the first to point out that I had a ski slope nose and I think of him every time I catch a sideways reflection of myself!

I know that heaven is already a happier place and that as you remember him there will always be more laughter than tears.

Warm Regards,

Mary McKenna Larocca##imported-begin##Mary (McKenna) Larocca##imported-end##

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“ I was so sorry to hear the news about Shakey today. i ½ I am on a week long retreat out of town and my wife called me with the news. I remember all the good he did for our county. I went to school with his kids and he was a good father. He was a true pillar of the church, the community and our country. We could always count on him. I'm sorry I will not be with you, and cannot offer my final gift of song. I will ask all the priests here to remember Shakey in their prayers and masses. i ½ ##imported-begin##Patrick Skelly##imported-end##

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“ Theresa and Family,

I was sorry to hear of Shakey's passing. ĩ½He was such a wonderful person and fun to be around. ĩ½Although I have not seen many of you in the last few years, I certainly have great memories of the past, many of them involving Shakey. ĩ½I think of you all very often. ĩ½It was certainly good to bump into Mary and Randy recently at a baseball game. ĩ½You all have my deepest sympathy and love. ĩ½Take care.##imported-begin##Randy McKaufsky##imported-end##

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“ Dear Theresa & Family, I am so sorry

to learn of Shakey's death. In my mind

he was the last of my dad's (Vern Bade)

old buddies, along with Smitty and

Barney Grill. They all called me "Maggie", I don't know how they got

Maggie out of JoLinda, but they did.

I have fond memories at the Elk's golf

club, my mom would send me out with my

dad so he wouldn't stay all night at the "19th" hole. I would get to order a

black cow, while they had their scotch!

Whenever I saw Shakey, he would always

tease me with some joke and want a kiss! He was a kind man and so proud

of his family. This is the end of an era for me, and no one left to call me

Maggie. Sincerely,

JoLinda Schuh##imported-begin##Jo Linda Schuh##imported-end##

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“ To: Michelle & Don Tobin

From our family to yours,

May you find peace and comfort during this difficult time, in the good memories of the times shared with your dear father, father-in-law and grandfather.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Terry, Jennifer and Caroline###imported-begin##Terry Shaikh###imported-end##

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“ Shakey was a great person and will be missed by all.###imported-begin##Juanita Tincher###imported-end##

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“ Aunt Theresa and Family,

I am very sorry that I am not able to be there during your time of sorrow. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. I will remember Shakey always.. He really knew how to enjoy life, and was always fun to be around. I know that Shakey is up in heaven with my dad reminiscing about the good old days. Love all of you.

###imported-begin##Linda Grill Carico###imported-end##

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“ A life well lived....Shakey set the standard all men should aspire to reach.

My fondest childhood memories are of 4th of July picnics at Uncle Bill's cabin in which Uncle Shakey and all the Martins played a huge part in.

God Bless Shakey and his Family.###imported-begin##Marc Mayotte###imported-end##

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