



## Sharon J. Martin

February 8, 1937 - January 19, 2018

Sharon J. Martin, age 80, of Frankfort and formerly of Bourbonnais, passed away Friday, January 19, 2018 at her daughter's home in Frankfort.

Sharon was born February 8, 1937 in Peotone, the daughter of Walter & Irene Engelhardt Nickel.

She married Kenneth Jerome Martin on November 3, 1956 at Maternity BVM Catholic Church in Bourbonnais. He preceded her in death on January 23, 2010.

Sharon was a retired bank manager for Lincolnway Community Bank.

She enjoyed playing cards.

Surviving are two sons and two daughters-in-law, James A. & Karen Martin of Orland Hills and John L. & Kathy Martin of Elmhurst; two daughters and two sons-in-law, Elaine & Joseph Lipczynski of Frankfort and Nancy J. & Guy Host of Oak Forest; one sister, Odette Koch of Florida; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she is preceded in death by her parents; one son, Thomas Martin; and one daughter, Anita Martin.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church in Bourbonnais.

Inurnment will follow at All Saints Cemetery in Bourbonnais.

Memorials may be made to Misericordia Home.



# Cemetery Details

## All Saints Cemetery

1839 W. Route 102  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 933-2342

# Previous Events

## Memorial Mass

JAN **24**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church  
308 E. Marsile  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 933-8285  
<http://www.mbvmchurch.org/>

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“ I wish I had some photos so the memories of Sharon and the Martin brothers and sisters could show what a remarkable group of people made up this unit. I've known each of them since I was a child/baby. There are two photos that best show our wacky family unit: one, all the brothers and sisters converged on Aunt Sharon and Uncle Jerome's lakefront home. This photo shows them all on the back porch laughing and enjoying their get together. They were having such fun and the joy in each of their faces is indelibly imprinted in my memory. The second photo would be when Aunt Delma, Uncle Ray, Uncle Jerome and Aunt Sharon visited our home in Belleair Beach. Because Clarke and I were in the midst of moving to Taiwan for a few years, we had very little furniture. I purchased airbeds so we'd have something to sleep on. Delma and Ray said their evening prayers beside their 6"high beds and Jerome and Sharon made their nests and, after chuckling and much joking, the four went to sleep. The photo shows Uncle Jerome awakening to a completely flat bed...all the air seeped out. Aunt Sharon was laughing and we all had a great chuckle. (Full disclosure: I failed to lock the valve.) I still don't know how they got out and up from those airbeds. I'm about their ages then and I'll guarantee I'd still be rolling around trying to get up 20 plus years later.

*It is hard to talk about one family member without talking/thinking about the others because they were a package-deal. We were so fortunate to have them in our lives and I wish I'd said this before so many had left us.*

*Among my favorite memories of Aunt Sharon are her wonderful distinctive voice and ever-present sense of humor. She was so funny. And, I don't think I've ever met someone with so much energy and drive. I will greatly miss being able to say hello and laugh with her. I can still hear her voice.*

*This branch of our family is sending their love, condolences and hugs. Sharon will be missed, Clarke and Cathy, David and Laura, and Susan*

**Cathy Ulvestad (niece)** - January 24, 2018 at 12:27 PM

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“ *Your Florida and Texas family purchased the With Deepest Sympathy Gift Basket for the family of Sharon J. Martin.*



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**Your Florida and Texas family** - January 22, 2018 at 12:47 PM

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“ *Our sympathy and special prayers for Mrs. Martin and all her friends and family.*  
*The Sisters and Residents of Misericordia*

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**The Sisters & Residents of Misericordia** - January 21, 2018 at 09:33 AM