



## John T. Martin

August 25, 1942 - April 27, 2024

John Thomas Martin, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, peacefully passed away at his residence in Canton, Michigan, surrounded by his adoring family on April 27th, 2024. John was born on August 25, 1942, in Rockford, Illinois, to George and Margaret Martin, and his life was a tapestry woven with love, laughter, and treasured moments shared with friends and family.

A pillar of unwavering support and devotion, John's legacy of love lives on through his cherished wife of 60 years, Dee Ann Martin, and their three children: Jeff Martin (Waleska Martin), Chris Timmis (Mike Timmis), and Greg Martin (Jill Martin). His influence extends to his grandchildren: Marisa, Mia, Christian, Blake, Sarissa (Chris), Sierra (Matt), Ian (Adriana), Alex and his great-grandchildren: Spencer, Ella, Austin, and a forthcoming addition to the family.

Having retired as a medical sales executive, John seized each day with a singular focus on being present, nurturing, and actively participating in every aspect of his family's life. He found delight in life's simple pleasures, whether it was embarking on adventures with loved ones, teeing off on the golf course, or sharing laughs with his wife on the bowling lanes.

An athlete in his own right, John derived immense joy from supporting his family's endeavors. He dedicated countless hours coaching his children in sports, imparting values of teamwork, resilience, and sportsmanship. As time progressed, he transitioned into the role of the ultimate cheerleader on the

sidelines, offering unwavering encouragement and applause to his grandchildren in their athletic, academic, and artistic pursuits.

John's loyalty extended beyond his family to his beloved sports teams, the Chicago Bears and Chicago Cubs, where he passionately cheered through victories and defeats alike. His life epitomized love, compassion, and benevolence, leaving an indelible mark on all who had the privilege of knowing him.

As we commemorate John's life, let us honor the legacy of love and happiness he leaves in his wake. May his memory serve as a guiding light in our lives, illuminating our paths with the warmth of his enduring spirit. Rest in peace, dear John. Your absence will be deeply felt, yet your memory will be cherished with profound fondness and gratitude.

Visitation Wednesday, May 1st, 5:00 to 8:00 PM. with a Scripture Service at 6:30 PM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road West (between Sheldon and Beck), Plymouth. Mr. Martin will Lie in State from 10:00 AM until the 10:30 AM Funeral Mass at St. Thomas a' Becket Catholic Church, 555 South Lilley Road, Canton.

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# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 1. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth  
46401 Ann Arbor Road West  
Plymouth, MI 48170  
(734) 459-2250  
plymouth@vermeulenfh.com

## Scripture Service

MAY 1. 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth  
46401 Ann Arbor Road West  
Plymouth, MI 48170  
(734) 459-2250  
plymouth@vermeulenfh.com

## In state

MAY 2. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church  
555 S. Lilley Road  
Canton, MI 48188

## Funeral Mass

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MAY 2. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church  
555 S. Lilley Road  
Canton, MI 48188

# Tribute Wall

GT

“ Gerald T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John T. Martin.

Gerald T. - May 01, 2024 at 06:06 PM

LT

“ Love, David & Jalenne Timmis purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John T. Martin.



Love, David & Jalenne Timmis - April 30, 2024 at 06:36 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John T. Martin.



April 30, 2024 at 03:07 PM

ST

“ Steven and Correne Timmis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John T. Martin.

Steven and Correne Timmis - April 30, 2024 at 11:16 AM

ST

“ Steven and Correne Timmis purchased the Sweet Sunrise Bouquet for the family of John T. Martin.



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**Steven and Correne Timmis** - April 30, 2024 at 11:16 AM

TF

“ The Katz Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of John T. Martin.



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**The Katz Family** - April 30, 2024 at 11:13 AM

EF

“ Eckert Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John T. Martin.

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**Eckert Family** - April 30, 2024 at 10:14 AM

EF

“ Eckert Family purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of John T. Martin.



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**Eckert Family** - April 30, 2024 at 10:14 AM

DA

“ David A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John T. Martin.

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**David A.** - April 29, 2024 at 10:39 PM

DA

“ David A. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John T. Martin.



David A. - April 29, 2024 at 10:39 PM

VT

“ Valerie T. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John T. Martin.

Valerie T. - April 29, 2024 at 07:15 PM

IR

“ Irene R. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John T. Martin.

Irene R. - April 29, 2024 at 06:05 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of John T. Martin.



April 29, 2024 at 06:05 PM

SW

“ Scott W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John T. Martin.

Scott W. - April 29, 2024 at 05:25 PM

LB

“ Love, Scott and Val Briggs planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John T. Martin.

Love, Scott and Val Briggs - April 29, 2024 at 05:06 PM

LB

“ Love, Scott and Val Briggs purchased the Fairest of All for the family of John T. Martin.



Love, Scott and Val Briggs - April 29, 2024 at 05:06 PM

JF

“ John Cleaver and R Pollifrone families purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of John T. Martin.



John Cleaver and R Pollifrone families - April 29, 2024 at 04:43 PM

JS

“ Jim & Debra Schultz planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John T. Martin.

Jim & Debra Schultz - April 29, 2024 at 03:02 PM

JS

“ Jim & Debra Schultz purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of John T. Martin.



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**Jim & Debra Schultz** - April 29, 2024 at 03:02 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John T. Martin.



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April 29, 2024 at 12:52 PM

DH

“ Dan and Terri Hornblower planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John T. Martin.

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**Dan and Terri Hornblower** - April 29, 2024 at 12:15 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of John T. Martin.



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April 29, 2024 at 12:15 PM

SF

“ Sincerely, General Motors GTEUSI Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John T. Martin.

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Sincerely, General Motors GTEUSI Family - April 29, 2024 at 11:37 AM

SF

“ Sincerely, General Motors GTEUSI Family purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of John T. Martin.



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Sincerely, General Motors GTEUSI Family - April 29, 2024 at 11:37 AM