



## Martha Thornton

June 5, 1940 - January 12, 2021

Martha A. Thornton a.k.a Minnie (80) of The Villages, FL and previously of Miami, FL passed away peacefully on January 12th 2021. She was born in Spartanburg, South Carolina on June 5th, 1940. Martha was married for 62 years to her loving husband and partner in life Lloyd Thornton. They were married as high school sweethearts in Charleston, South Carolina on October 13, 1958. Martha spent 20 years as a Military spouse traveling the world following her husband to Harrogate UK, Tehran Iran, and Rome Italy to name a few. Upon retirement from banking Martha and Lloyd relocated to The Villages, Florida in 2004, where they have resided since. Martha was an avid cruiser, and had many wonderful adventures traveling the world with her husband and family. Martha had a strong opinion and was not afraid to express it. She will be missed for her great sense of humor and laughter. She was a smart, fun, bundle of energy. She had a great infatuation for Dachshunds and Pelicans, and a passion for dance and the piano. She was a proud villager and was successful in co-hosting an Army Supergroup reunion in 2019. Martha is survived by her daughter Ann Marie Thornton and son Lloyd Charles Thornton, grandsons Alexander Lloyd Maradiaga and Jonathan Edward Bosch (Sarah Dutton), and granddaughter Christine Thornton-Castro. Great granddaughters Rihannon Gilleon and Miliaha Castro. She joins her son James Richard Thornton and parents Rose and Charles Propes in heaven. We love you to the moon and back Martha. Mom. Grandma. This is not goodbye, but see you later. A mass of Catholic burial will be celebrated at St.

Timothy Catholic Church in Lady Lake, FL on January 21, 2021 at 8:30am.  
Her family would like donations dedicated to the honor and memory of Martha  
in lieu of flowers sent to American Cancer Society at [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org).  
Arrangements entrusted to Robert Funeral Home in Ocala. Online  
condolences may be left at [www.robertsfuneralhomes.com/obituaries](http://www.robertsfuneralhomes.com/obituaries) .

# Tribute Wall

LG

“ Hi there honey, been there to see you every week...I miss you so but hope you know that...no more roses for you since the animals eat them at nite...you are in my dreams at every nite...miss you, miss you, miss you but will be with you soon some day...why did you leave me so soon and so quickly????? You are (were) the only one for me...wish you could come back.....I am so sad and so lonely...Lloyd.....

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**lgthornton@yahoo.com** - March 27, 2021 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ Hi there sweetie, did a short visit with you today and left yellow roses for you and the deer to snack on. I do miss you so and will be with you someday again. You were my first and only REAL love. I will be with you again.....see you later....Love you much....Lloyd

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**Lloyd Thornton** - February 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ Hey there Me Martha, just finished watching your recorded mass for you. Annie should be there soon to visit with you. I will be there Tuesday or Wednesday. I miss you so much...love you. Lloyd

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**Lloyd Thornton** - January 24, 2021 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ Hey there Me, we did stop to visit with you and left your favorite flowers yellow roses.  
This is your PITA Lloyd - I will watch your Sunday mass every week and if the weather is not too bad, will visit you every Wednesday & Sunday. I just hope I am as strong as you were during you hospital stay - You were my first and only real love - remember this: I will be with you again...Love you so much...please remember again, a 1957 hayride brought us together forever....

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**Lloyd Thornton** - January 23, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Rip Dear Martha! I thought of a plant but a tree in your name is special . I love youA memorial tree was planted in the memory of Martha Thornton -

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**Melanie Higgins** - January 20, 2021 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ Hey Me, we gonna visit with you later today...Love you. Lloyd

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**Lloyd Thornton** - January 20, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear my (Minnie) Martha I miss you miss you miss you. You were doing so well and so proud (me too) after a few days in rehab - doing ten to fifteen steps with the walker and starting to feel better. Then out entire 62 plus years took a Coney island roller coaster ride. I would be totally wiped out with sadness and sorrow if our daughter Annie and grandsons Jonathan and Alex were not here at this time as well as the many friends offering their support.

It hurt us all so much to see you in pain and suffering your last two days. I know you are watching and reading as I type this so I will say again, it was you that shot the cupid arrow in my heart on that 1957 fall day on the high school hayride (no, I will not put in print what you said to me as I sat on the roadside when the truck broke down) but that one little kiss you gave me was what did it, and I picture us both standing on the altar step in Blessed Sacrament Church on Monday October 13, 1958. We had a terrific life together as husband and wife and mother and father. I am sure you are now visiting with your parents and Jimmy - tell them hello for us and we will see them later too. I could ramble on and on but will keep this first one short - more notes will follow. I love you and always will. See you later too. Lloyd (Mickey).

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Lloyd Thornton - January 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ Dear Mom, This still does not seem real, you left us to quickly. I'm so sorry you got so sick, but I know in the end you did not suffer. That what we wanted most for you, was to go in peace. We were so blessed to all be by your side, loving you, kissing you and holding your hand. I know you felt that love. I promise to take care of Dad, and help him get through these rough days one day at time. This is not Goodbye, but see you later. Rest Well in heaven as an Angel you are, Keep watch over all of us. I love you Mom.  
If Roses Grow in Heaven, (By Dolores M. Garcia)  
If roses grow in heaven, lord please pick a bunch for me.  
Place them in my Mother's arms and tell her they're from me.  
Tell her I love her and miss her, and when she turns to smile, place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her for a while.  
Because remembering her is easy, I do it everyday, but there is a ache in my heart that will never go away.

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**ann thornton** - January 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ May you Rest In Peace in Heaven with the Lord, and with your loved ones who have gone before. A memorial tree was planted in the memory of Martha Thornton -

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**Maryrose** - January 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ My deepest sympathies to Lloyd Thornton and family. I wanted to say thanks for always loving me and making me feel like family. I have so many treasured memories that I will hold in my heart. Martha bought such joy to everyone! With love and prayers, Annette Thornton

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**Annette Thornton** - January 16, 2021 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ We are deeply saddened by the passing of our sister-in-law. I have happy memories of Christmases and New Years spent with family in Florida. My heart breaks for Lloyd, Annie, and Charlie. I know this leaves a void in your lives but she will always remain in your hearts and one day you will be together again. May God Bless and comfort you. I love you all very much.. May she Rest in Eternal Peace.

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**Kathy Hughes** - January 16, 2021 at 12:00 AM

KT

“ With our deepest sympathies and love. From your Louisiana Family Kathy & Ted purchased flowers for the family of Martha Thornton.

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**Kathy & Ted** - January 16, 2021 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Rest in peace in heaven knowing that you left your beautiful family with great memories that they'll keep for ever. Carla Miranda purchased flowers for the family of Martha Thornton.

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**Carla Miranda** - January 16, 2021 at 12:00 AM