



Thomas Martin

December 31, 1969 - September 28, 2009

Obituary of Thomas Martin Thomas J. Martin, 56, of Ocala, passed away September 28, 2009 at Ocala Regional Medical Center. Born in Canton, Ohio he came to this area 11 years ago from Kissimmee, Florida. He was a US Air Force Veteran, an engineer for Lockheed Martin for many years and attended Blessed Trinity Catholic Church. Mr. Martin loved his family above all, but also enjoyed music, sports and was a member of the Lockheed Martin Management and Golf Clubs. He is survived by his wife of 37 years, Christina J. Martin; daughters, Tiffany Saunders and husband Corey of Green Cove Springs, FL, Lindsey Tew and Husband Daniel of Ocala and Megan Martin of Ocala; sister, Linda Hulka of Trenton, FL; brother, Larry "Mike" Martin of Ocala; grandchildren, Kiley and Hannah Rhodes, Annabella Saunders and Thomas Parker Tew; and a large extended family. A Memorial Service will be held at ROBERTS FUNERAL HOMES, Bruce Chapel East (2739 SE Maricamp Rd. Ocala 732-9944) on Friday (October 2nd) at 2PM. In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorial contributions be made to the American Heart Association 1101 Northchase Parkway Suite 1 Marietta, GA 30067 Phone: (678) 385-2000 www.americanheart.org

Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas Martin*

June 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *I now that Thomas is a great person and he will be even safer up their in haven I loved him alot and I wish that he could stay in this world*

Africa - February 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *I was fortunate to work with Tom for many years at Lockheed Martin. Tom was a wonderful man and fine engineer - he was always there for me - and that speaks to his character. My thoughts and prays and with Tom's family and friends during this difficult time. May God bless you all.*

Jim Towers - October 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Tank you for being in our lives. Now and forever. Mom*

Eula Lee Rampi - October 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ At Garfield School he was the fastest kid on the playground. In summer we would play baseball at Witter Park all day long and then slug down ice - cold sodas while sitting out front of Lawson's. At Souers Junior High Tom, Earl Ward and I would crack each other up doing the usual goofy kid stuff. At Timken Vocational High School we learned about lathes and milling machines in Mr. Rice's shop class. Then, as sometimes happens to even the best of friends, we lost touch. I am truly deeply saddened as I type this. Tom Martin was a great friend and an even better person. My condolences to Chris and family.

Jon Hunt - October 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Tom was the nicest guy anyone would want to know. I have known him thru Denny since I was a teenager. But I got to really know him after we all grew up. Tom was the most gentle kind man I think I have known. He always had a smile or grin on his face. His eyes were always busy during something dancing or thinking. We will always remember the trip to Disney with the Marlatt's and Tom. The kids ages were so different they wore us out. I remember us sitting down of course not the kids, and there was Tom right with the kids. He loved those kids. Chris I am so sorry for your loss, there are no words. Linda I know how you loved him. Keep the faith. God be with all of you now and forever.

Dave and Kathy Wilzoch - October 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ I knew Tom from school and had the pleasure of meeting his family on several occasions. I always enjoyed his smile and kind heart. My deepest condolences to his wife Chris, his daughters, and the rest of the family. God has welcomed a special Angel into heaven.

Denise (Kidd) Knight - October 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Chris and family: Our hearts weigh heavy hearing of the sudden passing of Tom. My admiration for Tom and his laid back style was a thing of beauty. I knew him as a man of few words, but a man of who's love of his wife and family spoke loudly. I regret the path of our lives didn't allow me to know him better. All of you will remain in our minds, hearts and prayers. Michael and Wandalee Bernardo

Michael and Wandalee Bernardo - October 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ Im sorry to hear about Tommy. Our family has known him since he was a young boy. We will be keeping you in our prayers. Chris an children as well as his sister Linda and brother Mike in our hearts. GOD BLESS ALL Barb Marlatt Kasler

Barb Marlatt Kasler - October 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ We didn't get to know Tom, only met him once. But after yesterday's sevice, we know about him and feel we missed something pretty special. Take care of each other.

Tom & Rhonda Simon - October 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Lindsey- We love you and our prayers are with you and your family. Be at peace and know God is in control. Melissa C.

Melissa Casto - October 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ The news of Tom passing was incredibly tough to hear. Tom and I would share grandkid stories - I loved those conversations. His love for his family was worn on his sleeve. His willingness to help any and everybody is a true testament to his care for people. I am very lucky to have known and worked with Tom. I will miss him greatly. My family and I wish the family peace during this most difficult time. Bill, Linda, Laura, Ryan and Andy Paul

Bill Paul - October 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ I got to know Tom when he was my Greenbelt Instructor at Lockheed. Tom had a special way about himself that would make you smile by the simple way he expressed himself. I know this is a hard time for his Family and my thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Tom will and is greatly missed, but I know that Tom has a special place in Heaven.

Janet Roberts - October 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ I am the lucky sister for two brothers. I am the oldest, Larry the middle and Tom the baby. As a little boy he was just as sweet, gentle and kind as he was a man. He could melt hearts with his smile as a little boy or as a man. We will miss our Friday night date night with Tom and Chris. He took a piece of all our hearts with him. Thanks to everyone for their kindness during this hard time.

David & Linda Hulka - October 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Tom and I had worked 13 years together. However, the one thing we made a point to do for several years was to meet for 6:00 breakfast at the Shores Resturant every "on Friday". Sure we would discuss work but, the conversation always came back family. We would talk about our children and grandchildren. Discuss the projects that our wives had us working on. That was a fantastic way to start the day and end the week. I will miss those talks and the encouraging words on those mornings after breakfast.."have a great day Ron".

Ron Mosby - October 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ I couldn't even respond when I first heard the news. Tom was a calming force during turbulent management times in Ocala. No matter how excited or upset others around Tom were, he listened and always responded with action. He made the IE Dept look good many times over the years and he was always personable. I miss the Ocala team and especially folks like Tom, who was an inspiration of calm action in the middle of a Storm. He enjoyed letting others get credit for the ideas he initiated or implemented. That was Tom. I have to believe he is greatly missed by his family as he seemed to have the right outlook on life. God Bless you and your family Tom. I'll see you in heaven, God willing. If I was not facing a near-term lower back surgery, I would have driven there to attend as I have the utmost respect and sincerity for Tom. I pray the Lord gives Tom's family as much solace and Peace as Tom did each of us over the years. I am still deeply saddened by his loss, and I left Ocala in May 2003. That shows you the impact he made in my life! Thanks, Cliff D. Whisenhunt Director, F-22 Q&MS

Cliff D. Whisenhunt - October 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ Chris and Girls. How wonderful a husband and father Tom was. I truly loved him as my son-in-law and he will always hold a special place in my heart. I am here for all of you. Mom/Grandma

Eula Lee Rampi - October 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ I had the privilege to know and work with Tom. He was a great person to work with and be around. I am very saddened, as many of us here at Lockheed are by his death. I will miss him. I wish to extend my deepest sympathy to the family for your loss.

Robert Reid - September 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Tom was working on a proposal for ATP program on 9/23 Wednesday. He finalized it at 5:03 pm. I could tell he was concerned about his failing the stress test and his heart cath coming up the next day. Yes he always had a smile and always portrayed a good spirit. He was the type of guy you could be comfortable with all the time. I see his empty cube and I miss him already. God bless and comfort all of the family thru the next severay years.

Greg Snyder - September 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ There are so many wonderful memories that sharing just one would be an injustice. Tom was one of the softest, kindest and most gentle men I have ever known. He welcomed everyone into his life with open arms and an open heart, and I was blessed to be one of them. I will remember him like a brother and as a friend, whose memory I will cherish forever. Chris, Tiffany, Lindsey, and Megan, Thank you for sharing his love with me, and my family, especially the boys. I know that words cannot replace the sadness and hurt you feel right now, but I know that Tom will be there for you when you need him just as he has always been. I Love you all so very much. From all of us here in MA and the rest of the Dillon Families, God Bless you, and stay strong together. Our prayers are with you.

Michael and Cindy Dillon, & Rene and Nicole Turgeo - September 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ It was only last Thursday I saw Tom in the hallway of bldg 2. As always when he looked up to respond to my greeting there was a smile that came along with it. You are forever in my memories. My condolences to the family.

Kunta Morgan - September 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Chris, My heart goes out to you over your loss of Tom. Although I never knew Tom, he must of been a wonderful husband and best friend. Please accept Linda and my sympathy. I will light a candle in his honor at church this Sunday. With Sympathy, Rick

Richard D. Rieger - September 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Tom was a pleasure to work with. He will be truly missed here at work. My condolences to the family.

Ray Scrugham - September 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

WD

“ To the family, I am so sorry for your loss. What a great guy Tom was! Always willing to help anyone out and you never did see him without that grin on his face. He will certainly be missed by everyone in his Lockheed family at work.

Wendy Drake - September 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ My dad was my hero and an inspiration to many! It's so nice to know that his peers noticed what a wonderful man he was! Thank you to everyone who has reached out to my family during this hard time. There was never a dull moment with Dad. Every time I would see him he always had a smile on his face and a funny joke to tell. Through his guidance, he helped me become the person I am today. Our memories together will be cherished and together as his family we will never forget our loving father, husband, papa, and most of all OUR hero.....XOXO

Tiffany "Martin" Saunders - September 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ I worked with Tom for the past six years. He taught me so much when I was new to Lockheed Martin. I'll always remember his engaging smile and how he laughed at my silly jokes. He will be sorely missed as a valued friend and coworker. My prayers are with his family.

Carol Leenders - September 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *The staff of Roberts Funeral Homes and I would like to offer our condolences to your entire family during this difficult time.*

Michael Csuka - September 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM