



*In Loving Memory of*  
**William "Bill" Martin**

*Sunrise*  
July 31, 1937

*Sunset*  
March 14, 2012

**Service**

Wednesday, March 21, 2012 - 10:00 a.m.

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

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## *The Obituary of William "Bill" Martin*

**Bill** was born to Henry and Robie Martin on July 31, 1937. He was one of nine siblings. William was called home by his Heavenly Father on March 14, 2012. Bill was a child that was very involved in many activities, and if he did not enjoy the function he would not participate.

Upon completion of high school he worked a couple of years and then became a US Army Serviceman. He completed six years of service and was honorably discharged. After a variety of jobs Bill became an employee of Metro North Railroad where he retired after many years of service.

Bill enjoyed traveling, and had a great passion for bowling; where he enabled his team to excel. He also enjoyed fishing although he would not eat the fish.

Bill would have Ann to drive their car and direct her all the way. "Is the car in park?", "Turn over here, move to the right" and on and on but they were great friends as well as husband and wife.

Although Bill had several grandchildren he enjoyed to the greatest "Nicholas" and Nicholas enjoyed him. After Bill picked him up from school they would go to the playground and play hoops. Papa was his heart and he was Papa's heart. They would hold hands in the car after school and Papa would see to it that he was picked up on time and had his chips after the school session was over. He welcomed any opportunity to spend time with him.

To cherish Bill's memories are: his beloved wife of twenty years, Ann; his two daughters, Patricia Fertil and Stephanie Moss; two sons, William Martin, Jr. and Leonard Martin (LaShane); four sisters, Gladys Naylor, Grace Ellington, Joyce Leftwich and Helen Reed; four brothers, Rev. Joseph Martin, Henry Lee Martin (Nancy), Isadore Martin (Dorothy), Donald Martin (Cheryl); loving in-laws, Carl and Hazel Pope (Ann's parents); seven grandchildren and ten great grandchildren; and a host of nephews, nieces and friends. Bill was preceded in death by his daughter, Gladys (GG) Martin.

# *Order of Service*

Processional

Selection

Scripture

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional



## **Interment**

Calverton National Cemetery  
Calverton, New York

# *I'm Free*

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm FREE  
I'm following the path God laid for me.  
I took His hand when I heard Him call.

I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day.

To laugh, to love, to work or play.

Tasks left undone must stay that way,

I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,

Than fill it with remembered joy.

A friendship shared, a laugh or kiss.

Ah, yes these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,

I wish you sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much.

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seems all too brief,

Don't lengthen it now with undo grief.

Lift up your hearts and share with me,

God wanted me now, He Set Me Free.

-author unknown

## *Acknowledgement*

The family wishes to thank everyone for there condolences  
and best wishes during our time of bereavement.

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