



Robert Lee Martin

May 26, 1945 - August 12, 2025

Robert Lee Martin, 80, of Havana (formerly of Easton and Rushville) passed away peacefully at his home on Tuesday, August 12, 2025. He was born on May 26, 1945 in Canton, Illinois, to Adam L. and Betty L. (Boggs) Martin, Jr. Bob attended Havana High School. He served his country in the U.S. Army from May 1967 until May 1969 and was stationed at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Florida. In January of 1970, Bob began working for Caterpillar, Inc., retiring on July 1, 1998.

On July 3, 1969, Bob married Donna Ward. Together they enjoyed many years of fishing, camping, and going to yard sales. Bob looked forward to gardening and mushroom hunting every year and occasionally enjoyed a game of poker. He and his faithful canine companion, Wheel, spent many hours traveling the area in his pickup and fishing at Schuy-Rush Lake in Rushville. Bob was a Mason for 38 years and a member of Greenview Lodge #0653.

Surviving is his wife of 56 years, Donna. He is also survived by three children—Angela (Taber) Tapscott, Petersburg; Camilla (Edward) Reimenschneider, Waterford, MI; and Scott (Julia) Martin. Also surviving are his sisters, Carrie (John) Pravdica and Jennifer (Ed) Edwards; sister-in-law, Barb (Opie-deceased) Mustered; brothers-in-law, Randy (Joy) Ward and Rick Ward; grandchildren, Micah (Brian) Deterding, Hayden Tapscott, Luke Tapscott, Anthony (Ravyn) Canale, Beth Ann Martin; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and

one great-granddaughter.

Private graveside services will be held on Saturday, August 16, 2025 at 10:30 a.m., with Rev. Abraham Mogerman officiating at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Havana.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Online condolences can be left for Bob's family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Laurel Hill Cemetery

1105 E Laurel Ave
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-2986

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG 16. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

NK

“ *Nadine Kreft lit a candle in memory of Robert Martin*



Nadine Kreft - August 20, 2025 at 04:52 PM

MF

“ *Donna, Marcelo and I are so very sorry for your loss. Even though we didn't get to see the two of you that often, we always enjoyed visiting with you both during our visits from California. We enjoyed Bob very much. May he rest in peace. God bless you and your family. Marva & Marcelo*

Marva & Marcelo Fonseca - August 16, 2025 at 12:42 PM

MA

“ *Mallery Reiff & Blake Ade planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Lee Martin.*

Mallery Reiff & Blake Ade - August 15, 2025 at 07:00 PM

MA

“ *Mallery Reiff & Blake Ade purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Robert Lee Martin.*



Mallery Reiff & Blake Ade - August 15, 2025 at 07:00 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Lee Martin.



August 15, 2025 at 05:32 PM



“ John & Laura Deterding & Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert Lee Martin.



John & Laura Deterding & Family - August 15, 2025 at 11:03 AM



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“ Larry And Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Robert Lee Martin



Larry and Mary Hundt - August 15, 2025 at 09:44 AM

BL

“ *Bob Lynn lit a candle in memory of Robert Martin*



Bob Lynn - August 14, 2025 at 10:22 PM

JP

“ *Donna and family, Mark and I are so very sorry to hear of Bob's passing. You all will be in our thoughts and prayers* 🤝💕💕

JoDee Pedigo - August 14, 2025 at 06:01 PM

ES

“ *I am so sorry Donna to read about Bob's passing. Prayers for comfort for your whole family. As we drove through the beach last weekend we were talking about you guys, Charles and I were.*



Elva Stigall - August 14, 2025 at 03:55 PM

DJ

“ *So sorry for your loss Donna. Prayers to you and your family.*
Debbie Jockisch

Debbie Jockisch - August 14, 2025 at 03:25 PM

CG

Don and Carlene are so sorry for your loss. Prayers to you and family.

Carlene Gunterman - August 14, 2025 at 08:08 PM