



Bob Martin

June 4, 1931 - September 24, 2017

Bob Martin passed gently from this life on the evening of September 24, 2017 following a brief illness. He was born June 4, 1931 in Maryville, Illinois and was the son of the late Fred William and Norine Frankman Martin. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his brother Fred Frankman Martin. A precedent for Bob's lifestyle would be evident early on as he wanted to be known as simply, "Bob"; no longer name and no middle name. Short and to the point would be the manner with which he would deal with life on his terms. Following high school, Bob would join the Air Force and spend his time in the service in Germany. Upon returning home, his brother had established a flight school in Mississippi and Bob signed up to learn to fly. Most of the pilots were training to be crop dusters. On one occasion Bob would have to make an unscheduled stop close to one of terminals for the fledgling Delta Airlines. He explained that he was a pilot and wanted to know if they were hiring. The rest is history. He would fly for Delta for the next 35 years. At the time of his retirement he was the top-ranked pilot at Delta. Bob's great enjoyment aside from flying was the outdoors; hunting and fishing. A favorite trip for Bob and Karen was to Arkansas and fishing on the White River. Surviving Bob is his devoted wife Karen Reynolds Martin. His children are Michael Robert Martin and Michelle Martin Yeager and her husband Gary. The grandchildren are Tanya Yeager, Lindsey Corl and Cory Yeager. There are three great grandchildren. He had a great appreciation for his brothers-in-law David Garnet Reynolds and William Barron Reynolds. Bob came to have a special

bond with his two great nephews David Garnet Reynolds III and William Whitworth Reynolds. The long and happy life of Bob Martin will be honored at a service to be held on Saturday, September 30, 2017 at 2:00 PM in the chapel of McKoon Funeral home to be led by Reverend Matt Sapp and Dr. Joel E. Richardson. Friends may call on the family beginning at 1:00 PM. It is the request of the family that flowers be omitted and memorial contributions be made in Bob's memory to either The Samaritan Clinic P.O. Box 963 Newnan GA 30264 or CORRAL 52 Oliver Potts Road Newnan GA 30263. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mckoon.com. McKoon Funeral Home 770-253-4580.

Cemetery Details

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-4580
care@mckoon.com
<http://www.mckoon.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 30. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Service

SEP 30. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RM

“ Karen we are so sorry to hear about Bob. you both made a lovely couple. thank you for your friendship we love you Ray & Julianne

Ray McKnight - October 01, 2017 at 04:53 PM

BW

“ So sorry to hear about Bob, Karen. The old days were the good days and we will all never forget the Ireland inaugural. My thoughts are with you and your family. May God be by your side as you go through this sad time. Would love to have your address so that I can contact you. Betty Warren: 404-892-9880

Betty M. Warren - October 01, 2017 at 11:19 AM



“ Some of my fondest memories with Delta was flying with Bob and Karen , especially the Shannon inaugural flight! Prayers to you Karen and may your sweet husband be in the arms of Jesus now!
Flo (Jeanne) and Earl Ballard



Jeanne Ballard - September 30, 2017 at 09:09 AM

DD

“ Karen, my family and I are so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. I thought the world of him, such a fine man. I have good memories of you two. Mainly the love you had for each other. God bless you.

Dianne Dutton - September 30, 2017 at 09:05 AM

PN

“ Bob and I started the same year with Delta, flew with him thru the years, a very nice guy. Then later kept up with him in MSY where he and my husband flew together. Always enjoyed running into him at airports. My prayers go out to his family. Pat Ritchie Nease

Pat Ritchie Nease - September 29, 2017 at 08:24 PM

KW

Sorry to learn of your loss Karen.

Kenneth L Wright - May 25, 2018 at 09:07 PM

CC

“ Bob and Karen were definitely some of the people that made Delta the great airline that it is today. Condolences to Karen and the rest of his family. Chris(Link) and Bill Chocallo

chris chocallo - September 29, 2017 at 02:32 PM

SP

“ So sorry to learn of your loss. My husband and I always enjoyed trips with Captain Bob. My Tommy said he learned the cockpit well working with Bob. I loved that he always backed up his "girls". In those days we were still stewardess .
God bless your family in this time of grief.

Sandie Patton - September 29, 2017 at 10:46 AM

CD

“ God bless Bob Martin. Flew with him, lived with him in a commuter apartment. Wonderful man. Cecil DuRant & Family

Cecil DuRant - September 29, 2017 at 12:44 AM

TU

“ Tom and Pat Uncapher purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Bob Martin.



Tom and Pat Uncapher - September 28, 2017 at 09:33 PM

HB

“ Bob was one of those fine gentlemen who made my career with Delta so meaningful. He was a great role model.

Harry Ballance - September 28, 2017 at 08:50 PM

SH

“ I flew in 1973 with Bob on my second flight at Delta Airlines in MSY .Terrific start to a 30 year career. Sorry to hear of his passing.
Steve Heidt

Steve Heidt - September 28, 2017 at 04:14 PM

CL

“ Always enjoyed flying with Bob ... a great guy and great pilot! So sad to hear of another of our special msy based pilots, who I flew with, no longer with us. Sending prayers to the family at this difficult time.

Carole Lovelace - September 28, 2017 at 02:09 PM

JH

“ I have many fond memories of flying with Bob.

Jim Hourin

Jim Hourin - September 28, 2017 at 12:08 PM



“ *Sending our prayers during this difficult time.*
Frank and Melody Farmer

FRANK AND MELODY FARMER - September 28, 2017 at 09:44 AM