



## Judy Ann Martin

September 2, 1944 - August 11, 2024

MARTIN – Judy Ann (Powell) Martin, age 79 of Grayson, passed away on Sunday, August 11, 2024. A Funeral Service will be held at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, in the Chapel of Tim Stewart Funeral Home in Lawrenceville, with Reverend Bill Carroll & Dr. Chris Alexander officiating. Interment will follow at Chestnut Grove Baptist Church Cemetery in Grayson, Georgia. Judy loved to dance and enjoyed traveling. Judy was known for many things in her life: her family, her cooking skills, her love of Christmas, her love of shopping, her love for country music and her love of ‘country’ period. She was by all account’s ‘country’, she was born in Louisiana and grew up in Petal Mississippi, in a family with 4 brothers and 2 sisters. Farm fed was not just a term used to describe the family it was a way of life. Her momma fed them 3 meals a day off the garden grown vegetables and livestock they raised themselves. As she finished High School and started dating Marty, she found they both loved to dance. They would jitter bug and swing dance, and then race home to make sure she made it home before curfew. Her older brothers were always around looking out and making sure the boys knew that they would have to deal with them if things went sour. This may have deterred a few but not Marty. Judy married Marty, the love of her life Oct. 21, 1964, and increased her family with a daughter Tina, and a son JR. She followed Marty as a military wife to Washington, Texas, Mississippi, Florida and then planting roots in Georgia. She was a Room Mother every year for her kids and team mom for softball and baseball. She and Marty were

in a bowling league in Decatur in the 80's. Her children married and God blessed her with 3 grandchildren, Kayleigh, Shane, and Lexie and a great grandchild Cadence. She never forgot where she came from or who had been instrumental in shaping her life. If you were her friend, you were her friend for life, as evidenced by her friendships with Carolyn Petro and Merle King. She spoke often and fondly of all her Ya-Ya sisters as well, and so enjoyed her yearly trips to the beach with them. Some may not know that Judy started a country décor business with a friend in Grayson in the 1980's. They cut, built, and painted wood shelves, stools, crates, and Nik-naks. Then she opened her home for décor parties to sale the items. She gravitated to colors of country blue, dusty rose, and rust; this was her vibe. She fed her family just as her momma had taught her. She enjoyed taking professional cooking classes and expanded her recipe book with each new location she lived in. Unmistakably, she made the BEST Gumbo ever, or at least her family believed so. Because with Gumbo it's all about what area you lived in as to how you make it or what you put in it. She also made double dipped chicken, chicken and dumplings from scratch, Buttermilk Pie, Chicken Magnifique, homemade pimento cheese spread, Sweet & Sour Chicken/Shrimp, olive cheese ball, and pecan pie to name just a few. In the 90's, Judy became a professional chopper and an experienced 'Dawg' fan. She did not miss a Braves game and Tomahawk chopped them all the way to the world series. She was very enthusiastic when it was game time. In the fall it was football time, and she was all about the Georgia Bulldogs. Don't call her during the game, she didn't have time to talk as she had to help the team by screaming at the TV. There were times she wouldn't have a voice after the game. Her country continued with her love of country music. She dragged Marty to many concerts, from Kenny Chesney, George Strait, Blake Shelton, Brooks and Dunn, Jason Aldean, Luke Bryan, and many more. She was never more excited than cheering from the front row or the pit singing along to her favorite songs with a couple thousand other people. She loved to travel and was blessed to go to Europe, Mexico, Canada, the Caribbean, several cruises, and all over the US from Alaska to

Florida. Taking thousands of pictures along the way, she documented each trip, but not always keeping up with her camera. She lost more than one camera on her travels, but Marty would indulge her time and time again with a replacement. Several of the cameras in their home were found with an 'If found, please call' tag attached. Not sure if this helped or not but I think it made Marty feel better. The last 2 years without Marty came with her own health problems, sending her to the hospital over 10 times. She moved into Assisted Living at The Retreat in Loganville in June 2024. She fought the move but eventually realized that she could no longer take care of herself. The staff loved on her until she had no choice but to soften. She was outspoken and spoke her mind, not just in her later years but ALL her life. The Retreat was no different, she made it known that the food was lacking in taste and that rice should be served with butter and salt at a minimum. The Director later asked if she would join a resident food committee to give suggestions, to which she accepted. Judy was diagnosed with COPD and then lung disease. Her struggle to breathe eventually wore her body down. She took her last breath on Sunday August 11, 2024, surrounded by family and just minutes after a prayer. God answered that prayer and took her home. Judy loved her family, and she loved to shop. She was preceded in death by her high school sweetheart, Marty Martin in 2022; and parents, Irene (Walton) & Clarence Powell. Judy is survived by her daughter, Tina McCullough, Covington, GA; son and daughter-in-law, JR & Stephanie Martin, Snellville, GA; grandchildren, Kayleigh McCullough, Shane & Nicole McCullough, Lexie & Daniel Baird; and great grandchild, Cadence McCullough along with several nephews and nieces and her precious dog Sugar. The family will receive friends from 11:00 AM-1:00 AM at by Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 300 Simonton Road SW, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046. 770.962.3100. Please sign the online guest registry at [www.stewartfh.com](http://www.stewartfh.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Chestnut Grove Baptist Church Cemetery

2299 Rosebud Rd. SW  
Grayson, GA 30017

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **14**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Tim Stewart Funeral Home Lawrenceville  
300 Simonton Road SW  
Lawrenceville, GA 30046

## Funeral Service

AUG **14**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Chapel of Tim Stewart Funeral Home Lawrenceville  
300 Simonton Road, S.W.  
Lawrenceville, GA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Tim Stewart Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Judy Ann Martin*



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**Tim Stewart Funeral Home** - August 13, 2024 at 03:18 PM

TA

*Oh how memories flooded back. Love you Judy ❤️❤️*

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**Tommy Allen** - August 13, 2024 at 02:56 PM

HH

*Oh sweet Judy!!! My nick name for her was "Sunshine". She brought Sunshine into every place she entered. I am sad for those of us who are left to grieve her passing but rejoicing for Judy. Worshiping at the feet of Jesus and being reunited with her love Marty. They were such a devoted couple. An inspiration to many people. RIP Judy (My Sunshine).*

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**Harriet Harrison** - August 13, 2024 at 08:27 PM

JM

“ *Tina and JR - I am so sorry for the passing of your mother. I met your parent's at Ralph Hersh memorial service. She found out I was from West Virginia and said I love you already because you are country and country people are the best. She is now home with her Marty. I'm sure they are dancing and having a grand reunion never to be apart again. God will keep them safe in his arms. God Bless You and give you strength. Love, Jeri aka Yibie*

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**Jeri Miller** - August 14, 2024 at 12:36 PM

GC

“ Glenn C. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judy Ann Martin.

Glenn C. - August 13, 2024 at 04:44 PM

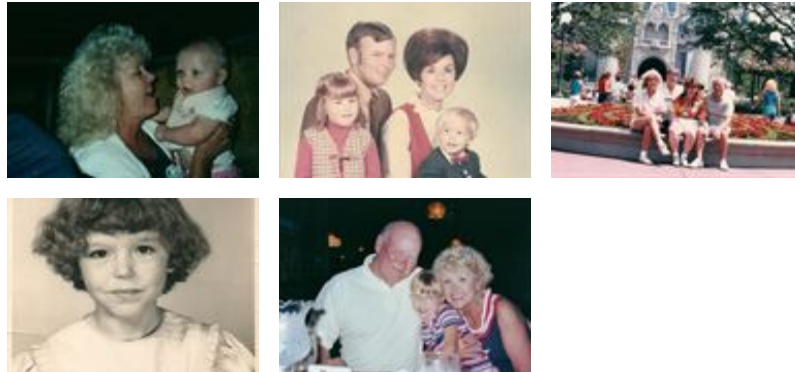
AR

“ I've worked with Judy's daughter Tina for several years and had the pleasure to meet Mrs. Judy and interact a few times. I loved her quick wit and sense of humor! We bonded over our alter ego personalities (hers was named Trudy!). She will definitely be missed! Sending prayers and positive thoughts to her family!

Angel Rachal - August 13, 2024 at 03:07 PM



“ 49 files added to the album Life Tributes



Tim Stewart Funeral Home - August 13, 2024 at 02:32 PM

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“ Tommy and Nancy Allen purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Judy Ann Martin.



Tommy and Nancy Allen - August 13, 2024 at 02:25 PM



“ 80 files added to the album Life Tributes



Tim Stewart Funeral Home - August 13, 2024 at 11:14 AM



“ Kim, Kizzy, and Bubbles purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Judy Ann Martin.



Kim, Kizzy, and Bubbles - August 13, 2024 at 11:08 AM



“ Sharon, Anita, Tracy & Paul purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Judy Ann Martin.



Sharon, Anita, Tracy & Paul - August 13, 2024 at 09:40 AM



“ Sharon, Anita, Tracy & Paul planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judy Ann Martin.

Sharon, Anita, Tracy & Paul - August 13, 2024 at 09:40 AM

YS

“ Your dad’s Siblings purchased the Caring Condolences Gift Basket for the family of Judy Ann Martin.



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**Your dad’s Siblings** - August 12, 2024 at 08:31 PM

CA

“ I enjoyed working with Judy at Audio-Tech Inc. she was a valuable person to the company and helped keeping everyone's spirits high with her great personality.

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**Charlotte Anderson** - August 12, 2024 at 07:29 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Judy Ann Martin.



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August 12, 2024 at 03:18 PM