



Robert "Bob" David Martin

December 10, 1935 - May 14, 2026

Born on December 10, 1935, Robert "Bob" David Martin passed peacefully and quietly in his sleep on May 14, 2026. He was predeceased by his parents, Joseph and Catherine; sister, Eleanor; brother, Joe; and son, Gregory John. Born in Queens, New York, Bob was valedictorian of W.C. Bryant High School in 1953. He went on to attend the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn where he graduated Summa Cum Laude with a degree in mechanical engineering in 1957. After working as an engineer for the Oak Ridge Research Reactor at the National Laboratory in Oakridge, Tennessee, he returned to New York to work as a Supervisor at the Union Carbide Research Reactor in Tuxedo, New York. From New York, Bob moved to Michigan where he worked until 1974 as the manager of the Ford Nuclear Reactor at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. While at the U of M, Bob earned a master's degree and a doctor of engineering (DEng) in nuclear engineering in 1967 and 1973, respectively. In 1974, Bob joined the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) after its creation by Congress in that year. Bob rose through the ranks with the NRC, particularly after becoming one of the lead investigators for the March 28, 1979, Three Mile Island incident near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. During his tenure at the NRC, Bob periodically worked as a guest lecturer at various schools, colleges, and universities. Bob retired from the NRC in 1992 as a Regional Administrator. Still, Bob continued to work in the nuclear energy industry as a consultant until his full retirement in 2015. In retirement, Bob puttered with his endless basement projects and his languishing golf game

though he remained steadfastly dedicated to serving his faith community. Bob was an active member of the St. Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church in Snellville, Georgia, where he served in several ministries and organizations including the Pastoral Council, the Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick and Homebound, the AIDS ministry, the Choir, and the Alter Society (the "Holy Cleaners"), among others. Bob is survived by his wife, Angela; his sister, Beatrice; his three children, Brian, Karen and Tom; and by his seven grandchildren, Aaron, Scott, Conor, Frank, Lacy, Tim and Annie. A Funeral Mass will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday September 12, 2026, at St. Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church, 3200 Brooks Drive in Snellville, GA 30078. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul or to the Order of Discalced Carmelites (OCDS) in memory of Robert Martin (mail donations to OCDS, 50 Milliard St. Georgetown, TX 78628 attn Kim Sharp). Arrangements by Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 670 Tom Brewer Road, Loganville, GA 30052. (770)-466-1544. Please sign the online guest registry at www.stewartfh.com.

Upcoming Events

Funeral Mass

SEP **12.** 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church
3200 Brooks Drive
Snellville, GA 30078

Tribute Wall



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Tim Stewart Funeral Home - May 29 at 09:34 AM

MW

I, Melissa Wilson met Mr. & Mrs. Martin at St. Oliver's church in Snellville.

Mrs. Angela was looking for someone to help her and Mr. Bob clean their beautiful home. They were both busy as bees and I answered their need.

Mr. Bob was always kind and soft spoken and he always had a smile for me and that is how I will always remember him. 🙏❤️

Melissa Wilson - May 30 at 08:46 PM

PK

Knowing Bob Martin has been a real joy. He was always so warm, smiling and friendly and one of the most intelligent men I have ever known. He will be missed by many. Forest and I thought the world of him. Rest in peace Mr. Robert. Your life was well lived. Condolences and love to Angela and all the family

Patsy Kellogg - June 01 at 04:41 PM

MT

My husband John & I have known Bob and Angela since 1979. That's a long and dear friendship. May Bob's soul rest in peace. Prayers and hugs to Angela & the family. Love, Molly Titus

Molly Titus - June 02 at 02:09 PM