



DONALD MARTIN

March 23, 1949 - May 15, 2012

Donald Martin, 63 of Plainville passed away peacefully on Tuesday May 15, 2012 at the V.A. Hospital in West Haven. He was the beloved husband of Barbara (Norton) Martin for twenty seven years. Donald served proudly in the Marine Corp. in Vietnam and he worked as a letter carrier for the U.S, Postal Service for over twenty years. He was a member of the American Legion of Plainville and the D.A.V. Donald was an avid traveler and loved fishing and Nascar racing and the New York Giants. He is survived by his wife Barbara, a son Aron Martin and his wife Heather and a daughter Teasha Martin and one grandson Ebon Martin and a brother Daniel Martin. Donald also leaves behind cherished friends; Diane Roth, Bob, Henry, Bobby, Brent and Donnie and his beloved companions Cooper, Sabrina and Grayson. Donald was predeceased by his cherished Basset Hound Molly. A prayer service will take place on Monday May 21, 2012 at 11:00 AM at the Venskunas Funeral Home 670 Stanley St New Britain, Ct. Calling hours will take place on Sunday from 5:00-8:00 PM. Burial will be at the convenience of the family with full military honors with the American flag presented to his wife. In lieu of flowers donations can be made in Donald's memory to Disabled American Vets PO Box 145447 Cincinnati, Ohio 45250. To send online condolences please go to www.venskunafuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ Thank you, Ms. Elliott! It's great to hear of your work. I've just moved to Taiwan, but I will send the director of Your Place Youth Center the link to your website. Maybe our kids in New Haven can play ball with your kids. God's peace to you and your community!###imported-begin###Lidya###imported-end##

July 09, 2012 at 01:02 AM



“ My deepest sympathy on your loss. Sorry I couldn't attend services but my prayers are with you. A candle burns in memory of his life.###imported-begin###William Brayne###imported-end##

May 23, 2012 at 02:29 PM



“ To Barbra. I am sorry for your loss. Don was a very nice human being. I always enjoyed his company. I pray that you find the strength to carry on, not ever forgetting the love you shared. Peace I wish for you. God bless you in your journey. Dave Corey###imported-begin###David Corey###imported-end##

May 21, 2012 at 12:42 PM



“ Dear Donnie,
There are some things people just cannot express and my feeling of loss is one of those things. I feel silly writing a goodbye. Two weeks ago you had Nick and I laughing because Seamus was jumping in your lap. You always made me feel like family whenever we visited and I am so grateful for your kindness. I will always keep Cooper and Barbara in my heart and our lives. We love you and will miss you forever. Love Always,
Rachael, Nick & Seamus###imported-begin##Rachael###imported-end##

May 19, 2012 at 03:11 PM



“ Barb,
My heart goes out to you. I am so very, very sorry for your loss.###imported-begin##Linda DeSimone Beder###imported-end##

May 18, 2012 at 08:51 PM



“ Donnie, you were always so nice and caring. I remember whenever I would go to you and Barbara's house during the summer, you would throw the poker chips in the pool and time how long it took me to get them. You were always thoughtful and happy. R.I.P. I will never forget you###imported-begin##Samantha Furst###imported-end##

May 18, 2012 at 07:23 PM



“ Donnie,
I can't think of you without a smile on my face and a broken heart. You were one of a kind. You always had a smile on your face and a happy disposition. I'll never forget all our trips and the fun we had. You are more like a brother than a friend to me and Bob. Bob and I will miss you everyday of our lives. Save a spot on your balcony for me and Bob in heaven. LY Forever, Janice###imported-begin##Janice Sullivan###imported-end##

May 18, 2012 at 02:06 PM



“ Donnie, *You were my best friend, more like a brother to me. All the time we spent together, I will always remember. We spent most weekdays together and you would drive me around in my car. I remember the remodeling job we did on your house and all the laughs we had doing it. We really had great times fishing with Tony on his boat, and going to Lena's on Thursday for dinner. You would give even a stranger the shirt off your back and not think anything of it. You are the greatest friend I ever had and someday we will all be together again in Heaven. Love You, Bob###imported-begin##Bob Sullivan###imported-end##*

May 18, 2012 at 01:59 PM



“ Donnie,
You brought smiles to the most important people in my world, my children Eric & Samantha, the trampoline and tire swing you put together for.. My parents and all of the wonderful trips you & Barbara shared with them. The wonderful friendship with my dad Bob, My Sister Sarah and the strength you brought to her, and the laughs my husband Eric and I shared with you. I know you are in Heaven watching over all of us. Rest in Peace.##imported-begin##Ande-Lin Furst##imported-end##

May 17, 2012 at 11:06 PM



“ I remember a few weeks ago when I went over Donnie and Barbara's house to see the deer in the backyard with Jake. Donnie would always be there setting up the feed for us and anticipating it as much as we did. He and Barbara would always be interested in the videos Jake made from the deer back there. Donnie was really a free spirited person and it meant a lot that he gave my brother something to look forward to almost every night. Thanks again and RIP.##imported-begin##Taylor Harton##imported-end##

May 17, 2012 at 09:43 PM



“ Donnie,
You were my 2nd dad. I am so happy that you were part of my family for many years. I absolutely adored you. I will take good care of Barbara. Please hold my kitty Austin close in heaven. I love you##imported-begin##Sarah sullivan##imported-end##

May 17, 2012 at 09:27 PM



“ Words cannot exprees the sadness I feel with your passing. You were truly a remarkable man. I have so many memories that I will keep in my heart always. You had a great gift of kindness and caring for all who knew you and your love of animals and nature touched so many. I will miss my "Big Brother". I Love You, Donnie. R.I.P. Marine. Semper Fi. Your "Little Sister" Diane##imported-begin##Diane Witkowski##imported-end##

May 17, 2012 at 05:48 PM