#### Hcknowledgements

On behalf of the Martin family, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to all of you for your prayers, presence, love, phone calls, text messages and all other expressions of concern that you have shown during this difficult time. Never more than now is your kindness needed and appreciated. May God bless you all.

# Miss Me But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road And the sun has set for me, I want no rites in a gloom-filled room Why cry for a scul set free?

Miss me a little, but not for long, And not with your head bowed low. Remember the love that we once shared, Miss me, but let me go.

For this is a journey we all must take, And each must go alone. It's all a part of the Mastei's plan, A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick of heart Go to the friends we know, And bwy your sovrews in doing good deeds, Miss me, but let me go.

To offer condolences to The Martin Family, visit <u>www.TheChapelofPeace.com</u>

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#### In Loving Memory of

September 15, 1955 - August 14, 2024

James OM. Martin

Wednesday, August 28, 2024 Visitation: 10:00am Service: 11:00am

Marlan J. Gary Funeral Home The Chapel of Peace North 2500 Cleveland Ave., Columbus, OH 43211

> Elouise Walker, Officiant Rev. Rodney W. Martin Jr., Eulogist

## Reflections of Life

James Matthew Martin was born on September 15, 1955, in Columbus, Ohio to John W. Martin Sr. and Ida B. Martin unexpectedly passed away and gained his wings August 14, 2024. He was 68 years old.

James was a high school football player at West High School and graduated from there in 1975.

James served in the United States Navy for our country. He also was a long-time construction worker where he became a man of steel. Nothing could break James, not even a building. Even though James didn't hesitate or bite his tongue for anyone, he was still a gentle giant. He loved to play chess and would challenge anyone to a game. If he lost, his opponent had to give him a rematch with no question asked. Since his retirement, James was active in his union with the Iron Workers Local 172 in Columbus, Ohio.

Preceded in death; his mother, Ida B. Martin; father, John W. Martin Sr.; brother, Rodney W. Martin; grandmothers, Hattie Mae Hairston, Alberta Martin; and grandfather's, Matt Bailey, Jerry Martin; and step grandfather, Astrial Hairston.

Survived by children, Tamika Moody (Lawrence), Charles "Weeder" Moody (Shannon), and Nia Hill (Kenyatta); sister, Sonja Martin; brothers, John W. Martin Jr. and Kenneth Martin; grandkids, Anthony, Antwan, Artigues Jr. "AJ", Simone, Jordan, Kenyatta "KJ" and Jalen; great grandkids, Milan, Mason, Monte' and Antwan Jr. and many nieces and nephews.

James was an avid Cleveland Brown fan and enjoyed spending time with his grandkids and great grandkids. He was a loving and caring father, papa, brother, uncle, cousin and friend. He was always willing to go the extra mile and help whenever he could. James will forever be missed.

### Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE Chapel of Peace Music Ministry
PARTING VIEW Immediate Family
SCRIPTURE READINGS
PRAYER OF COMFORT Elouise Walker
SELECTION
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS John Martin
REMARKS (2 Minutes Please) Family and Friends
OBITUARY Read Silently
SELECTIONRonald Smith
THE EULOGY Rev. Rodney W. Martin Jr.
BENEDICTION Rev. Rodney W. Martin Jr.
RECESSIONAL Clergy, Family, and Friends

#### Repast

Milo Grogan Community Center 862 E.2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Columbus, Ohio 43201 1:00pm-4:00pm