

*William "Bill" Edward Martin, age 81, of Detroit Lakes, MN,
passed away on Thursday, August 30, 2018,
at the Cottages at Ecumen*

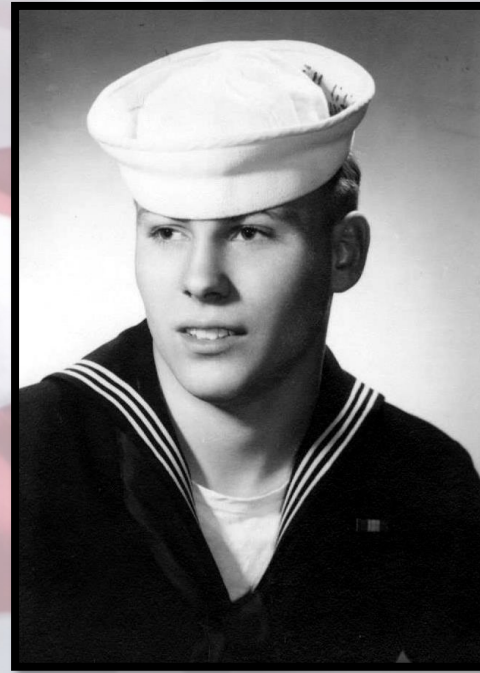
Bill was born on November 19, 1936, to Leo and Ida (Rehborg) Martin in Lisbon, ND. He grew up on the family farm in Lisbon and graduated from Lisbon High School in 1954. He joined the Navy and served from 1954 to 1957. After the Navy, he went to work for the Creamette Macaroni Company where he worked for 29 years as a traveling salesman. Bill then married Judith Swenson and the couple had two children, David and LeAnn. He was united in marriage on July 27, 1991, to Donna (Foltz) Walz in Detroit Lakes. Bill retired from sales in 1995 and went on to work at Mason Brothers and for Foltz Buildings.

Bill enjoyed riding motorcycles and ATVs. He liked deer hunting and pheasant hunting in South Dakota. He was also an avid Vikings fan. He enjoyed collecting and trading model semi-trucks and had over 50.

He is survived by his wife of 27 years, Donna; two children, David (Shelley) Martin of Patterson, LA, and LeAnn Loomis of Galchutt, ND; four step-children: Steve Walz of Detroit Lakes, MN; Paul Walz of St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands; Scott (Tiffany) Walz of Audubon, MN; Julie (Dan) Neenan of Cary, IL; five grandchildren: Nick, Kristina, Staci, Blake, and Austin; five great-grandchildren; a brother-in-law, Clayton Erickson of Lakeville, MN; nine step-grandchildren; and three step-great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Leo and Ida Martin; a brother, James Martin; a sister, Faye Erickson; and a grandchild, Amanda Loomis.

In Lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to Hospice of the Red River Valley.

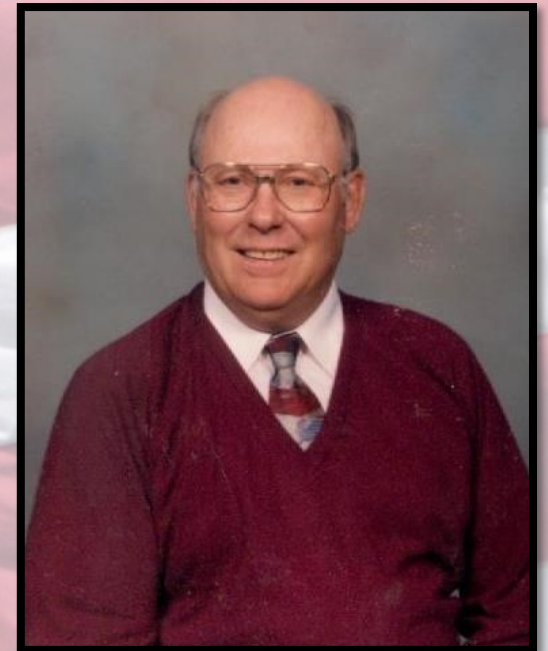


*Celebrating
a
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*William
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Martin

"Bill"



GOING HOME

God saw you getting tired
When a cure was not to be
So He closed His arms around you
And whispered, "Come to Me"

You didn't deserve what you went through
And so He gave you rest
God's garden must be beautiful
He only takes the best

And when I saw you sleeping
I could not wish you back
You're now at peace forever
Safely home at last



In Loving Memory Of

William Edward Martin

"Bill"

Celebration of Love and Remembrance

Friday, September 7, 2018—11:00 A.M.

First Lutheran Church

Detroit Lakes, Minnesota

Pastor John Simonson, *Officiating*

Special Music

Karen Bimberg, *Organist and Accompanist*

Shelley Martin, *Soloist*

"Welcome Home"

Congregational Hymns

"The Old Rugged Cross"

"How Great Thou Art"

"Amazing Grace"

Casket Bearers

Bill's Grandsons

Nick Loomis, Blake Loomis, Austin Loomis

Jordan Walz, Hunter Walz, Avery Walz and Kyle Neenan

Honorary Casket Bearers

Bill's Granddaughters and Step-Grandchildren

Kristina Loomis, Staci Loomis, Danielle Gee

Alexa Walz, Luisa Walz, Abby Neenan and Zach Neenan

Military Honors

Lake Region Veterans Honor Guard

Detroit Lakes, Minnesota

Interment

St. Mary's Cemetery

Callaway, Minnesota

