



Robert L. Martin

March 10, 1953 - August 30, 2019

Robert L. (Bob) Martin Jr., the son of Robert (Bob) and Mary Jo (Stewart) Martin, was born March 10, 1953, in Chanute, Kansas. He passed away at St. Francis Hospital in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on August 30, 2019 at the age of 66 years.

Bob grew up in Alva, Oklahoma, and graduated from Alva High School, in the top of his class, in 1971. He graduated from NWOSU in Alva in 1975 with a B.S. in music education. His career as a band director began in Fairview, OK. He then moved to Colorado to continue his career. Over the course of 11 years, Bob directed high school bands in Akron, Ft. Lupton, Canon City, Brighton and Nederland. Bob wanted each band to excel and be a source of pride for their community. He wrote most of the arrangements for his marching bands. His bands were known for their excellence, winning numerous contests and awards.

He started the administrative part of his career for the Boulder Valley School District in Nederland when he was offered the job as high school assistant principal. He then moved to Broomfield as their high school principal. He retired in 2000 but after a year the district asked him to come out of retirement and help as the District Music Director and as an Administrator once again at Boulder High. Bob completely retired from education in 2007. As a high school administrator he was loved by teachers and students alike. It was well known

that everything Bob did as an administrator was always for the benefit of the students.

Shortly after retirement, Bob moved to Grove, Oklahoma, to be closer to his family.

Bob had numerous hobbies. He was an avid snow skier of top level black diamonds and skied all over Colorado every chance he got. He enjoyed whitewater rafting the 4 and 5 levels. He loved playing Bridge and traveled all over the country to compete in numerous tournaments. The hobby that was dearest to his heart was his classic car collection. He spent countless hours working on and restoring his Chryslers. Bob had a love for life and lived it to its fullest

Bob was preceded in death by his father Robert L. Martin Sr. He is survived by his mother Mary Jo Martin of Kingfisher, Oklahoma, (formerly of Alva); his sister Dana Golbek of Kingfisher; two nephews, Eric Golbek and wife, Requil, of Tulsa and Mark Golbek and wife, Chelsea, of Kingfisher; five great nephews and nieces: Ethan, Andrew and Emily Golbek of Tulsa and Cord Alig and Chloe Golbek of Kingfisher.

There will be a visitation for friends and family on Thursday, September 5, 2019, from 5:00 to 7:00pm at Marshall Funeral Home. Services will be held on Friday September 6, 2019, at 2:00 pm at the First Presbyterian Church in Alva, Ok.

The family asks that memorials be made through the funeral home to the Cornell-Beshore Cancer Institute in Joplin, MO or their charity of choice

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **5.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Marshall Funeral Home of Alva
230 Flynn Street. P.O. Box 804
Alva, OK 73717
(580) 327-2311
<https://www.marshallfuneralhomes.com/>

Service

SEP **6.** 2:00 PM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
628 Church St
Alva, OK 73717

Tribute Wall



“ *Robert L. Martin*

January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM



“ *Leta Howard-Pratt*

Mr. Martin was an amazing band director during my high school years at Akron High School. He put his heart and soul into music and his students. He was a friend and teacher that I've always had great respect for.

Leta Howard-Pratt - July 01, 2022 at 03:56 PM



“ *Mr. Martin was an incredibly talented musician. I was fortunate to be in his many bands (marching, concert, pep, stage) while he was in Akron Colorado. We stayed in touch after he moved to the Boulder area. He was an amazing man and I cherish the memories. So very sad to learn of his passing. Great teachers change lives. God Speed Mr Martin.*

Karen Howard - July 01, 2022 at 12:23 AM

JS

“ *Mary Jo,
I remember "Bobby" well from Alva High and knew he was gifted,
just as his dad was and you are. I had no idea he was so traveled in
his band directing and other educational pursuits, but I'm not
surprised.*

*If I had the opportunity, I would put my arm around him, offer a
smile, and tell him how proud I am of all he has done and the lives
he has touched.*

friends in Christ,

Jonna Sue Johnson Shklar

Jonna Shklar - September 08, 2019 at 02:09 PM



“ *My heart goes out to you, Mary Jo, Dana & family! Praying for
peace & comfort given to you through the love of our Lord, &
friends.*

DaleVaughna Schmidt - September 05, 2019 at 11:49 PM

SS

“ *I really barely knew Bob when one day as a sophomore in band, he
overheard me say to someone that I wished that I had a licensed
driver to go with me so I could go visit my cousin, Leanne, in
Anthony, KS. He approached me after band saying that he would be
happy to be my licensed driver as he also had relatives in Anthony.
He called later in the day and, to my surprise, my parents agreed.
Thus began a dear friendship and the first of many road trips
through the years. I have many memories of times spent together,
and I will miss him.*

Shelly (Easterly) Stewart - September 05, 2019 at 02:47 PM

JG

“ Prayers for Bob's family. I did not know him but I knew his mom and dad from the Presbyterian Church. Blessing to his family at this time of loss.



Jane Gaskill - September 04, 2019 at 08:01 AM

MW

“ Bobby, as he was always know by our family, would come by our house for visits during the Christmas holidays or a break in the summer. Mickey, Liz, Sarah, Savannah, and I so looked forward to his interesting visits, telling about his love for skiing and Colorado; and of his experiences during his occupation in education. He had such wonderful advise for our daughters, in whatever activity that they were in at the time. Bobby and Mickey's friendship started in childhood, with their love for old cars. Bobby's love for Chryslers and Mickey's for Cadillacs kept them busy for many years, and continued to be a topic whenever they got together. Bobby was an amazing man and he will be missed. Sending love to his family from ours. Mickey White family

Mickey White - September 03, 2019 at 10:34 PM

LW

“ I am so sad to hear of Bobby's death. He was a good soul and I have fond memories of growing up in the Presbyterian church together. He will be missed.
Leslie Brunsteter-Williams

Leslie B Williams - September 03, 2019 at 09:41 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Robert L. Martin.* ”



September 02, 2019 at 05:37 PM