



## Samuel Leon Martin

January 15, 1941 - February 16, 2013

Samuel Leon Martin, 72, of 121 Shadow Lane, passed away February 16, 2013 at Charles George VA Center, Asheville, N.C.

Mr. Martin was the son of the late Frank Martin, Sr., and Emily Stalcup Martin. Mr. Martin served in the Vietnam War as an E4 and was honorably discharged. He was the recipient of many medals including the Purple Heart. Mr. Martin was a member of Tucapau #253 Masonic Lodge of Startex, S.C. and a member of Mid City Shrine Club and Hillbilly Clan #2 of Lyman, S.C. Sam enjoyed having friends over for jam sessions where he loved singing and playing the guitar.

Surviving is his wife of 38 years, Barbara Jean Davis Martin of the home; one daughter, Rita K. Jewell of Lyman; grandson, Brandon "Jabou" Hendrix; one God-son Ricky Ray Todd of Lyman; one brother and sister-in-law, Jack and Annie Martin of Blairsville, GA; three sisters and brothers-in-law, Dot and Gene McKee of Atlanta, GA, Dee Upchurch and Mary and Jack Grover.

Mr. Martin was predeceased by a daughter, Sherrie Lane Eubanks, a brother, Frank Martin, Jr., and a brother-in-law, Butch Upchurch.

Graveside services will be 2:00 p.m. Tuesday at Hillcrest Memory Gardens with Military and Masonic rites.

Pallbearers will be Ray Todd, Stephen Terry, Toby Davis, Rita Jewell, Harley Griffey and Leroy Griffey.

Honorary escort will be the members of the Hillbilly Clan #2 motorcade.

Visitation will be held 11:00-1:00 p.m. Tuesday at Mid-City Shrine Club.

The family is at the home.

Memorials may be made to Shriners Hospital for Children, 950 West Faris Road, Greenville, S.C. 29605.

Online condolences may be made at [www.thewoodmortuary.com](http://www.thewoodmortuary.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Hillcrest Memory Gardens

14050 East Wade Hampton Boulevard  
Greer, SC 29651

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 19. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Mid-City Shrine Club  
1470 Fort Prince Boulevard  
Wellford, SC 29385

## Graveside Service

FEB 19. 2:00 PM (ET)

Hillcrest Memory Gardens  
14050 East Wade Hampton Boulevard  
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# Tribute Wall

RK

“ We are so sorry for the loss of Sam. Although it's been years since we've all been together, we will always cherish the times spent with you guys along with Possum. Those two were something else when they were together. We always felt like Sam was like an older brother to us. We'll always remember the music, the fish fries and being on the lake with all of you. I'm sure Sam and Poss' are up in Heaven making music together again. We will keep all of you in our prayers. We love you all...Richard, Mary Anna, Kaci and J.C. King

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**Richard King** - February 19, 2013 at 09:26 AM

ML

“ I was so sad to hear about Sam. He was such a wonderful person and was always a good friend to me and Wendell. I will be praying for you and Rita and Jaboo....I know it is a tough time for you all. Love you and will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.

*Malinda*

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**Malinda Lambert** - February 19, 2013 at 08:44 AM

DN

“ Barbara , I was saddened to hear of Sam's passing . I will pray for you & your family .  
Sincerely , Donna Newman

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**Donna Newman** - February 18, 2013 at 04:01 PM

MS

“ Barbara,

*We're so sorry about Sam. He was a wonderful man. We enjoyed knowing him and visiting with the two of you in your home. Also, we have wonderful memories of the trips to Myrtle Beach with the Shrine Club when we got to spend time with both of you. Our prayers are with you and your family.*

*Margie & Johnny Starnes*

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**Margie & Johnny Starnes** - February 17, 2013 at 07:43 PM