



Howitt C. Martin

September 13, 1939 - January 9, 2022

Howitt Cecil Martin's life consisted of being a joy to whomever he was around. When you were with him there was always a project to complete and work to be done; building, creating and improving things.

Howitt was the 11th child of 17 children, born on, September 13, 1939, to the late Beatrice Tutt and Herbert Leslie Martin. Those who preceded him in death, his wife the late Velma Hodge-Martin, and son Rodney Cordell Martin, and daughter in law Marchale Graves-Martin and his brothers, Roy Martin, Hume Martin, Lorenzo Martin, Finis Martin, and Cornelius Martin; sisters Marjorie Martin, Gwendolyn Martin Jones-Brown, Viola Mapp, Ernestine Benning and Rosetta Ratchford. Howitt and his siblings were very close throughout their lives.

Howitt accepted Christ at an early age at Rhoads Chapel and later attended Wesley Chapel A.M.E. Church, serving as a Trustee Board member and Choir member. Later after moving with his family to Georgetown, Kentucky, he was baptized and attended Great Crossing Missionary Baptist Church.

Howitt was born and raised in Greenville, Kentucky, he attended Drakesboro Community High School, where he was Valedictorian-Class of 1956 and earned his Bachelor's Degree in 1962, from Kentucky State University. Howitt was an employee with Farmers Home Administration-US

Department of Agriculture for 25 years. Howitt served as a member of Kappa Alpha Psi, Inc., the Scott County Planning Commission, Kiwanis Club-Scott County, former Scott County NAACP-President, and the State Committee Department of Agriculture. Howitt was awarded the Key to the City-Georgetown, Kentucky.

Howitt, in 1992, was the first African American Business owner on Main Street in Georgetown, Kentucky, with opening T-Shirts Plus.

While attending Kentucky State University and working in the infirmary, Howitt met the love of his life Velma Hodge Martin, the 2 were married on June 1, 1962. and to this union was blessed with three children, Brian, Rodney and Dana.

Howitt loved his family! He loved to spend time with his grandchildren they were his world. He worked hard for his family, teaching and providing wisdom to his children. Howitt always wanted to see others do their best and succeed in life. A man with a big heart and he always loved to help others. As a young child, Howitt discovered a love of farming and working on his family's land, known as Martin Acres. His love and care of the land, which has been a part of the family's legacy for generations, continued through-out Howitt's entire life.

Left to cherish his precious memories are his children: Brian O. (Jinnifer) Martin, Dayton, Ohio, Dana Martin (Dedric) McGhee, Bartlett, Tennessee; grandchildren: Brian, John, Morgan, Madelyn, and Makenna; sisters: Unita Lawrence, Barbara Swain, Shirley McIntosh, all of Springfield, Ohio, Special care givers; Anna (Edmond) Drake, Louisville, Kentucky and Naomi Horton, Greenville, Kentucky. A host of nieces, nephews, cousins, sisters-in-law and brother-in-law: Janice Hodge, Van (Karolyn) Hodge, Larry (Charisse) Hodge, Louisville, Kentucky, Linda Hodge-Vernon, Clinton, Tennessee, Wanda Martin,

Springfield, Ohio, and Gail Martin, Bowling Green, Kentucky. Supporting family and friends: special care givers, Brenda and Wilbur Hackett, Jr., Artis Greene, Lorenzo Drake, Howard Bailey, Matthew Shadwick.

-MASK ARE REQUIRED-

Sincerely,

-Your friends at Burnam and Son

Cemetery Details

Reynolds Cemetery

Highway 1473
Greenville, KY 42345

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc.
201 Center Street
Bowling Green, KY 42101
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Services To Be Live-Streamed via Burnam & Son Facebook Page

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Tribute Wall



“ *Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Howitt C. Martin*



Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc. - January 13, 2022 at 02:20 PM

BD

“ *I just searched this out and I have to say, Howitt Martin was one of the finest men I ever met. I think of him often and miss our history talks.*

Barry Duvall - May 04 at 06:05 PM

RB

“ *The obituary is absolutely beautiful and is a wonderful tribute to Howitt's amazing life.*

Rose H Bowman - January 14, 2022 at 12:25 PM

AG

“ *Brian and Dana, we have you in our thoughts but most of all in our prayers. So many fond memories of your parents, Rodney and both of you, in your days in Scott County. Continue to trust in God and lean not on your own understanding. Love 💕 Deacon Charles M. and Ann E. Graves*

Ann E. Graves - January 13, 2022 at 10:56 PM

DW

“ Deborah Wade-Bufford lit a candle in memory of Howitt C. Martin



Deborah Wade-Bufford - January 13, 2022 at 04:53 PM

DW

“ Denise Wade lit a candle in memory of Howitt C. Martin



Denise Wade - January 13, 2022 at 04:52 PM

BM

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Broan Martin - January 13, 2022 at 04:08 PM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Broan Martin - January 13, 2022 at 04:06 PM

BM

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Broan Martin - January 13, 2022 at 03:59 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Howitt C. Martin.



January 13, 2022 at 01:46 PM

MG

“ *Mr And Mrs James & Diana Gregory lit a candle in memory of Howitt C. Martin*



Mr and Mrs James & Diana Gregory - January 13, 2022 at 12:36 PM

MS

“ *Our condolences goes out to Howitt's children and the Martin Family. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Howiitt will be truly missed. With our love and deepest sympathy. Martyne Tutt-Sayres and the Tutt Family.*

Martyne Sayres - January 13, 2022 at 12:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Howitt C. Martin.*



January 13, 2022 at 11:46 AM



“ *Condolences to all who knew and loved Howitt C. Martin. We in the Kentucky State University Alumni in the Atwood Chapter in Bowling Green feel the loss of one of our fellow alumni and are grateful for all of his many contributions to society. May he Rest In peace.*



Marilyn Mitchell - January 12, 2022 at 11:55 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Howitt C. Martin.*



January 12, 2022 at 05:30 PM



“ *Deborah Echols lit a candle in memory of Howitt C. Martin*



Deborah Echols - January 12, 2022 at 12:55 PM

RB

“ Rose H Bowman purchased the “You Are Loved And In Our Prayers” Comfort Throw for the family of Howitt C. Martin.



Rose H Bowman - January 12, 2022 at 11:28 AM

RB

“ The biggest memory I have of Howitt is the day Dana was born. He came to our home, ecstatic! He had the biggest smile as he sat on the couch and started calling everyone about his daughter. He was such a proud Daddy! I still have a picture of that moment. He showed compassion to everyone around him. He truly loved his entire family. His smile will be missed.
Love, Rose Bowman

Rose Bowman - January 12, 2022 at 11:17 AM

KI

“ Condolences to Dana & Family. You guys are in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Kimberly D Meeks

Kimberly D is - January 12, 2022 at 06:25 AM

CW

“ Brother Martin and Family,

You and your family are in my thoughts as you grieve your dad. I am holding all of you in my heart. Fervent prayers to you and please accept my deepest condolences'

*Charles "CK" Williams
USAF Retired Veteran*

Charles K. Williams - January 11, 2022 at 11:59 PM

TF

“ Tina Fant lit a candle in memory of Howitt C. Martin



Tina Fant - January 11, 2022 at 07:18 PM



“ Stately Lilies was purchased for the family of Howitt C. Martin.



January 11, 2022 at 09:45 AM

SW

“ Prayers for Dana and her family. ❤️



Sheteka Winston - January 11, 2022 at 08:32 AM

KC

“ Kenny. And Crisandra Coleman lit a candle in memory of Howitt C. Martin



Kenny. and Crisandra Coleman - January 09, 2022 at 11:11 PM

CH

“ Cheryl Hewitt lit a candle in memory of Howitt C. Martin



cheryl hewitt - January 09, 2022 at 08:13 PM



“ Dear Martin Family,

There are few things more difficult than dealing with the loss of a loved one. We, along with our staff, are honored and humbled that you have chosen our family to care for your family during this time. It is our hope that we have been able, in some small way, to lighten your burden and give proper reverence to a life lived. Please let us know if we can be of further service.



Respectfully,

*Carmen, Cedric, Claudia and Kelly
2nd Generation Owners*

Cedric Burnam - January 09, 2022 at 06:27 PM