

# LEGACY STATEMENTS

## *My dad taught me...*

“Keep workin’.” -**David, Jr.**

Dad took me with him when he preached at the prison and the induction center and on Thursday night visitations for the church. He modeled for me and taught me how to freely share the gospel with others. -**Donna**

He gave me my greatest gift. He gave me permission to marry his daughter, the love of my life. -**Eric**

Dad always pointed us to Jesus and taught us how important God's Word is! -**Dotty**

Mr. Martin was the friendliest person I knew - always going out of his way to make people comfortable when they met him. -**Jeff**

Dad taught me that we were designed to passionately pursue the very presence of God in our lives and community, so that our decision-making will be more consistent with God's plans to serve Him, love others, and live generously. -**Dale**

My father-in-law taught me there's no such thing as business failure - it's people failure. People fail to do what needs to be done in a timely manner. -**Bob**

Dad was my prayer buddy. If I ever was worried about something, he would immediately start praying with me. He led by example in all areas of his life. He claimed Matthew 6:33: SEEK GOD FIRST! -**Diane**

To listen to my wife! -**Will**

My dad taught me to stop, drop, and pray - no matter what fires life throws my way. -**Debbie**

“Eat to live, don't live to eat.” -**Steve**

## *My granddad taught me...*

Granddaddy always pointed me to Christ, directing me to the only hope I have in life and death. For that, I am eternally grateful. -**John**

Granddaddy taught me what it looks like to breathe the gospel daily. -**Allie**

Granddaddy taught me not to sweat the small stuff. -**Matt**

Grandy modeled to me what the life of a believer should look like as he started every day in the Word of God (Psalm 1). -**Kristen**

Mr. Martin truly had the gospel on his lips at all times; and he was absolutely unashamed to share the love of Christ anytime, anywhere, with anyone. A true disciple, he taught us all the importance of loving others. -**Nathan**

Granddaddy taught me to work hard, but also to give all the glory for my success to the Lord. -**Scott**

Granddaddy taught me to be bold with the gospel. -**Katie**

Granddaddy instilled in me to work hard and smart every day and to lead by example while doing it. Love the Lord and give thanks to Him for all you have. -**Martin**

Granddaddy taught me that anything is possible with hard work, perseverance, prayer, and FAITH! -**Cassidy**

Granddaddy taught me to never give up. -**Patrick**

Granddaddy taught me there is no such thing as a stranger. -**Stephanie**

## *In David's Words...*

“The only place better than Cary is Heaven.”

“If Marilyn ever leaves me, I'm gonna pack up and go with her.”



“Death is just a change of address.”

## *Celebrating the Life of* **David J. Martin, Sr.**

February 15, 1928—November 4, 2019



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RIGHTEOUS IS A TREE OF LIFE,  
AND HE WHO WINS SOULS IS WISE.

*This was Marilyn's favorite photo of David.  
David's handwriting from his "little black book."*

David Julian Martin, 91, faithful follower of his Lord Jesus Christ, beheld the radiant light of his Savior's face on Monday, November 4th, 2019 as he was joyfully welcomed into eternity after a monumental life in Cary, NC. David and his wife, Marilyn, who resided in Cary for over 65 years, are now reunited in the presence of the King, where their faith has become sight; and they await the day that Christ completes His work on earth.

David was born in Seagrove, NC, to William Lafayette Martin and Euva Perry Martin, but moved to Cary, a place that he would passionately refer to as "the next best thing to Heaven," at a young age. Gifted with a remarkable work ethic, the trials of intense childhood poverty prepared him for a life of hard work – beginning with providing for his widowed mother and three siblings; his service to his country in the US Coast Guard; loving and caring for his wife, Marilyn, and their six children; and finally, his faithful and diligent service to his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

David served the larger community of Cary by constructing the area's first shopping mall, South Hills Mall and Plaza, on his land on Buck Jones Road. In addition to other developments, David constructed the Cary subdivision Triangle Forest and University Apartments in Raleigh. He was among the first to recognize the beauty and desirability of Cary and to eagerly anticipate the growth the town continues to experience.

David faithfully served and worshipped the Lord at Cary First Baptist Church, and also through his service with the Gideon's International. He would routinely share the good news of Christ's amazing grace to those imprisoned at Polk Youth Center, the Women's Prison, and the Wake County Jail, as well as at the Induction Center in Raleigh, where young people begin their U.S. military service

A generous giver of his time and money, he served his Lord not only in giving to his home church and building numerous local church buildings; but also in donating his land for Hope Community Church and Grace Christian School. His faith and love for Christ was bold and without reservation until his dying day; when his daughters, son, and grandchildren faithfully served him with prayer and scripture, witnessing the Holy Spirit's faithfulness until his final day here in Cary.

David's wife, Marilyn Broadwell Martin, passed away suddenly on Sept. 20, 2019. He is also preceded in death by his grandson, Parker Stephenson.

He is survived by his son, David Martin, Jr.; five daughters and sons-in-law, Donna & Eric Evenson, Dotty & Jeff Reintgen, Dale & Bob Dascombe, Diane & Will Stephenson, and Debbie & Steve Salek, as well as 20 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his two sisters, Euva Freeze and Martha (Joe) Grissom, his brother Billy (Betty) Martin and numerous nieces and nephews.

Donations may be made to Grace Christian School, First Baptist Church, Hope Community Church, or to Gideons International.

*Cary First Baptist Church  
218 S Academy St, Cary, NC*

*Monday, November 11, 2019  
1:00 pm*

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## CELEBRATION SERVICE

Prelude	Rev. Danny Poyner, Jr.
Welcome & Prayer	Dr. Pat Kilby
<i>Amazing Grace</i>	Congregational Hymn
<i>How Great Thou Art</i>	Congregational Hymn
Eulogy	Family Members
Scripture & Comments	Dr. Pat Kilby
<i>Blessed Assurance</i>	Rev. Myron Burriss
Prayer	Family Member
<i>Victory in Jesus</i>	Congregational Hymn
Postlude	Rev. Danny Poyner, Jr.

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*INTERMENT  
following the service*

*Raleigh Memorial Park  
7501 Glenwood Avenue, Raleigh, NC*

## *My granddad taught me... (continued)*

Grandy taught me that there are no limitations when you work hard and persevere through adversity. He taught me to see the best in people, never take life too seriously, and always give thanks to the Lord. **-Addison**

Grandy taught me to love deeply, and to live each day with a grateful, giving, and merciful heart. **-Gabrielle**

Grandy taught me some of life's most valuable lessons almost entirely by the way he lived - hardly ever using words. He taught me how to work hard and remain humble; how to love, cherish, and pursue my wife. Above all else, Grandy taught me what it looks like to deny myself, take up my cross and pursue the Lord. **-Landon**

In the short time I knew Grandy, I was privileged to witness him as the perfect example of a business man of integrity, a faithful husband, devoted father, caring brother, loving grandfather, and friend to so many. Above all this, his life, words, and actions honored our Savior. I love you, Grandy, and am honored to be part of the beautiful family you built. **-Nichole**

Granddaddy was our hero!  
**-Parker & Celeste**

Grandy taught me that no matter what happens, positivity will get you through it because "Every day is a great day!"  
**-Alex**

Grandy demonstrated an astounding work ethic that drives me every day.  
**-Justin**

I'll never forget the many years of working together, the good and bad days...He always stuck up for me and had my back even when I was learning new things and slowing his workers down...I'll keep the tools he's instilled in me till the day I die. **-Kendell**

Granddaddy is the perfect example of someone who put God's vision above anyone else's opinion, and I hope to be as confident as hm in my faith throughout my family's life. **-Rachel**

Grandy showed me what it looks like to love everyone; not just through words, but also through actions and deeds.  
**-Samantha**

Grandy taught me how to deeply love every single person I come in contact with and to make everyone feel as if they are someone. **-Skylar**

Grandy had the ability to always find the good in everything. His motto, "Every day's a great day," is one that I've embraced for myself. **-Winston**

Work is important, family is more important, and faith is the most important. **-Dalton**

Granddaddy taught me through his relationship with Mama how to treat and love my wife well every day. **-Cameron**

Granddaddy taught me to never be afraid to talk to a stranger about my faith or to dance in front of anyone!  
**-Breanna**

If Grandy could succeed with all the adverse circumstances he faced, I can certainly succeed with all the opportunities I've been given. **-Camden**

My grandfather taught me that no matter how much pain you're in, you can always be loving. Even in his last days, he thought of other people over himself.  
**-Abigail**

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## *My great-granddad taught me...*

...that he was a really good grandfather, and he loved us really well. **-Savannah**

He was silly and loved. He was the best Grandy there ever was!  
**-Kinsey**

He loves me! **-Magnolia**

"Grunt!" **-Augie**

Many, many toothless smiles.  
**-the other Great Grands**