



William "Bill" Martin

December 3, 1925 - December 17, 2016

William "Bill" Martin, age 91 of Crown Point, formerly of Gary and Merrillville passed away December 17, 2016. He served in the U.S. Navy during WWII on the aircraft carrier USS Princeton. Bill graduated from the Valparaiso University School of Law in 1952. He worked at the Gary National Bank as a Trust Officer, after which he went into private practice as a Probate Attorney. Bill served as a Lake County Probate Commissioner and was the past president of the Lake County Bar Association. Bill was the Lieutenant Governor of the Indiana State Optimist Club. He was also the past president of the Optimist of the Dunes Club. Bill was a Golden Gloves champion in 1942. In 1949 he married his loving wife of 61 years- Helen who preceded him in death in 2010. He was also preceded in death by his father- Sidney Martin; mother- Doris Martin; and brother- Sidney Martin Jr. Bill is survived by his children- Debra (James Cooper) Martin, Tom (Mary Grace) Martin, Tim (Linda) Martin, Bob (Andrea) Martin, Jim (Rene) Martin, Steve Martin, Elizabeth (Will) Robbins; 14 grandchildren, and 3 great- grandchildren. Funeral service will be held on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at 6:00 pm at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point. Visitation will be held on Tuesday from 2:00 pm until the time of service . Private interment at Calumet Park Cemetery. www.burnsfuneral.com

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **20**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I met Bill in his last of days. He talked passionately about high school days, time on the USS Princeton and most of all, the moment he set eyes on his future wife of 61 years, Helen. While listening to some familiar music, I asked him if they had an "our song" together. He smiled and said, yes, "Oh Darling, You're So Wonderful", and proceeded to hum the tune. May his large, loving family find strength in knowing he is at peace, with her in Heaven. On earth, he has left an impressive legacy they can be proud of. ----- Karen



Karen - December 20, 2016 at 02:46 PM

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“ So sorry to hear of your loss, thoughts and prayers to the families , may the perpetual light shine on William. Friend of Tom's --
Cynthia Elson



Cynthia Elson - December 18, 2016 at 10:30 PM

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“ The Doyle's purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of William "Bill" Martin.



The Doyle's - December 18, 2016 at 07:17 PM