Edgar "Ed" William Martin



JULY 13, 2025

Ed Martin passed away peacefully on July 13, 2025, at the age of 93. He was predeceased by Olga, his cherished wife, in 2020. Ed will be lovingly remembered by his children Julie (Roy), Cathy (Peter), Tom (Sandra), and Rob (Leone); his 12 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren; and many other relatives and friends. Ed was predeceased by his siblings Elmer (Margaret), Roy (Kaye), Lily (Manley), and David (Doreen), and his sister-in-law Hazel (Frank). He is survived by his sister-in-law Mae (Clarence).

Ed was born to Thomas and Essie Martin on his father’s homestead near Cut Knife, Saskatchewan. After attending a one-room rural school (Rose Mound), then Cut Knife High School, he studied at the Bethel Bible Institute in Saskatoon. While attending Teachers’ College in Saskatoon the following year, he met Olga, setting the course for their loving life-long journey together. Ed and Olga were married in 1954 and enjoyed an extraordinarily close and supportive bond throughout their nearly 66 years together, prioritizing family and faith throughout.

After teaching for two and a half years, Ed joined Simpsons Sears, which led to a career of over 31 years as a dedicated manager at Sears – in Saskatoon, Grande Prairie (Alberta), and Regina, then back to Saskatoon. Through his various roles, he was much appreciated and respected by his colleagues, many of whom grew to

be friends. After his retirement in 1988, Ed enjoyed travels, time with family and friends, and various hobbies and service commitments. He and Olga moved to Langley (BC) in 1993, first living in the Romarina Apartments then moving into the Magnolia Gardens residence in 2018.

As a family, we will fondly and gratefully remember Dad's – and Grandpa's – loving guidance, unwavering support, endearing sense of humour, and gentle respectfulness. His tender-hearted spirit will remain in our hearts forever.

Dad's commitment to a life of faith in God exemplified what he considered to be his Life Verse, 1 Corinthians 15:58: "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labour is not in vain in the Lord." He loved the Lord with all his heart, and we are comforted knowing that he is now with Him.

A memorial service celebrating Ed Martin's life will be held at 2 PM (PDT) on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, at Mountainview Alliance Church in Langley, BC. The service will be livestreamed via the church's YouTube channel.

Donations in memory of Ed may be made to Samaritan's Purse Canada, an organization dear to his heart.

You are invited to leave a personal message of condolence for the family.

Messages of Condolence

Sincere condolences to the Martin family. We first got to know Ed & Olga at church back in Saskatoon in the late 70's/early 80's when Ed was one of the church's Elders. We used to get together in Langley from time to time after we moved from Surrey to Langley and found out that Ed & Olga lived within walking distance of our most recent residence. When they moved to Magnolia they were even closer to our place. We visited with Ed at our place just 2 weeks before we left for a vacation, and his most recent birthday, when he expressed his hope to go home to be with the Lord soon. We always enjoyed our visits, always praying before we parted. Ernie & Violet

— Ernie & Violet Nesdoly

My sincere condolences for the lose of your dear father. Over the past three years that I have known your father I have become extremely fond of him and truly miss his smiling face and company.

— Rose Nuutinen - Magnolia Gardens

Dear members of the Martin family,I'm so sorry to hear that you've lost your father and grandfather. I enjoyed meeting Mr. Martin many times over the years in Saskatoon and Montreal, and I was always glad to see him and Mrs. Martin. Both were the kindest, gentlest, and most caring people, and their devotion to each other and to your family was very easy to see. Sincere good wishes to all of you.

— Rena DeCoursey

Dear Martin Family. My deepest condolences at this sad time.May all the Happy Memories of you Dad give you peace and comfort. I have such good memories of both your parents being our special neighbour’s on Anderson Cres., Also enjoying our many visit with them in Langley and Chemainus. Your Dad was a great kind fellow his memory will live on in all who knew him. With my thoughts and prayers. Big hug’s to all. Sincerely , Ruth Braaten .

— Ruth Braaten

I shared this message with Julie and Rob. I want to share these thoughts with Julie and Tom and all of your family. I read the entire obituary and learned more about your Dad and Mom. I first met your Mom and Dad while teaching at Wildwood School. Your Mom was a wonderful teacher and such a welcoming person on such a large staff. That same year, 1982, I met Les. Your Mom and Dad had a wedding shower for us at their home. It was really an nice thing to do for us and we really appreciated it. When we moved to North Battleford we kept in touch. We rented your parent's home on Anderson for the summer of 1986 while Les was studying at U of S summer school, when Marla was born- July 26, 1988. They enjoyed seeing our two children, David and Marla.It was always fun to visit with your Dad and Mom. They were very good to stop by in North Battleford to visit us. Their faith and their love for one another were always present. They will be missed. I had a nice conversation with your Dad in June. We were able to catch up on family news. Your Dad was always very positive and had an "even keel" approach to life.I remember your Mom told us about the time many years ago whenyour Mom and Dad were to speak to young couples at a Valentine's Day event at their church. Your parents were each asked if there was something that they didn't like about the other. Your Mom said the she liked everything about your Dad. When prodded further she said that..... occasionally he would turn out the lights before she left the room. As a couple we say that to each other occasionally if one of us turns out the lights before the other gets out of the room. It's a great memory that is a great testimony to how loving and kind your Dad was. I will miss our occasional chats on the phone. I look forward to seeing your parents one day when we are all with our Lord and Savior. I hope we can keep in touch.Please accept our condolences on the loss of your Dad, a great man of God.Your friends, Marilyn & Les

— Marilyn and Les Richardson

Thinking of you all! May your memories bring sweetness to the missing of a gentle man of God.

— Heather Strudler

Ed was always my favorite uncle for all his attributes listed above. I felt nothing from him but even throughout some of my struggles with life. I’m so sorry for your loss and happy that he is with Jesus after a long and wonderful life.

— Karen Martin Powell

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