



Pearl S. Martin

January 30, 1929 - June 11, 2020

Mrs. Pearl Sewell Martin is a native of Baltimore, Maryland, and received her early education in the Baltimore public schools. She earned the B.A. and M.A. degrees in art at Howard University, Washington, DC. She pursued further study in painting at the University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa.

She began her professional career in 1953 in the then Department of Art at Prairie View A&M University and, subsequently, served as itinerant art teacher for the Waller County Schools and as art teacher and librarian for the Waller Independent School District. She is well known in South East Texas for her art exhibitions as well as the exhibits of her students. Venues where she and her students have exhibited include: the annual Waller County Fair, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Texas Public School Districts, Howard University, Morgan State University, Xavier University, The University Of Houston At Clear Lake, Lamar University, and private shows like The One Woman Art Show At Tennessee State University. She and her students have received numerous First Place Awards for their exhibitions. Her paintings are hanging in several homes at Prairie View and Houston, Texas as well as in homes of individuals in several other states. Her most recent art exhibition was at the Prairie View A&M University Library, Public Events Room, from January 2013 through March 2013.

Pearl Martin was an active member of the Prairie View community since 1953, and is a member of the Zeta Gamma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. and is a "Golden Soror" having been a member for more than

fifty years. She has served the sorority in various leadership capacities both locally and nationally. She has been a member of the Houston Chapter of the Links, Inc. since 1974, and has been designated the highest membership status as a Platinum member, for 36 years of active service. She has been recognized nationally by the organization.

Pearl was committed to service as evidenced by her active membership in several civic and social organizations including Jack and Jill of America, Education Committee for the Prairie View Federal Credit Union, Alta Vista Homeowners Association, and St. Katharine Drexel Catholic Church.

For 62 years, Pearl was married to the late Dr. Edward W. Martin, Dean Emeritus of what is now the Brailsford College Of Arts and Sciences.

Together, Pearl and “Eddie” reared three successful children who, in every way, honored their father and mother.

Pearl Martin is preceded in death by her beloved sisters Jeanette Randall and Shirley Randall of Baltimore, MD, brother-in-law Frank C. Martin of Sumter, SC and sister-in-law Nettie L. Martin Thompson of Raleigh, NC.

Pearl is survived by her two daughters, Andrea Michelle Carlson (Fred), Debra Yvette Holland (Jake), and son, Christopher Edward Martin. She is the doting grandmother of Taylor Yvette Holland, Cory Edward Carlson, Alexa Michelle Carlson and Jalen Sanderson Jeter-Martin.

Also surviving are her sister-in-law Leola G. Martin of Sumter, SC, loving nieces, Theresa Y. Martin of Atlanta, GA, Anita Cautia Martin of Sumter, SC and nephews Skylar Von Starghill of Baltimore, MD and Frank C. Martin II of Orangeburg, SC.

AN ICON HAS PAINTED HER FINAL CANVAS OF GREATNESS...

Cemetery Details

Prairie View Cemetery

Prairie View, TX 77446

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **19**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Singleton & Sons Funeral Home
627 New Orleans
Hempstead, TX 77445
(979) 826-2425
info@singletonandsonsfh.com
<https://www.singletonandsonsfh.com>

Graveside Service

JUN **20**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Prairie View Cemetery
Prairie View, TX 77446

Tribute Wall



“ *Pearl S. Martin*

January 28, 2023 at 11:58 AM



“ *What a wonderfully, gifted artist and teachers-
-7th, 8th, and 9th grades. She made every
student believe in their own creativity. Even
though I left in 1967, I always tried to say hi
when in Prairie View. We've lost too many of
our teachers who are now in the ancestral sphere. I'll miss you
always, Mrs. Martin.*



Perri McCary - April 30, 2021 at 09:22 PM



“ *I often think of Mrs. Martin as I savor the many hand painted cards
that she gave to me and my mother for birthdays and holidays over
the years. In this season of Thanksgiving, I honor her memory and
the many gifts of beauty and kindness she shared with so many.
Andrea, Debra, and Chris and your families - you are in my prayers.
Love Michelle Terry - Seattle, Washington*

Michelle Terry - November 14, 2020 at 05:19 PM



“ *The Martin Family is lifted in my heart,
thoughts, and prayers!!
GOD Bless You!!
Delbert Walker*



Delbert Walker - June 28, 2020 at 09:02 PM

TM

“ Growing up, aunt Pearl was a role model for me. She was always tough but kind. She pushed me to be the best that I could be at whatever I endeavored. I will never forget that she taught me to play tennis, which I grew to love. I will forever cherish the wonderful memories that she helped to create, and her impact on my life.

Theresa Martini - June 25, 2020 at 11:01 AM

CH

“ Cathy Hill c/o 1984



Cathy Hill - June 20, 2020 at 07:03 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.



June 19, 2020 at 04:09 PM

WP

“ W. Parker lit a candle in memory of Pearl S. Martin



W. Parker - June 19, 2020 at 03:55 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.*



June 19, 2020 at 12:49 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.*



June 19, 2020 at 12:42 PM



“ *My heart is sadden for the passing of our Link Sister, Pearl. She was an excellent artist and so much fun to be around. My prayer is for comfort and strength for her family.*
- Shirley and John Wiggins

Shirley Wiggins - June 19, 2020 at 11:50 AM



“ *Kathryn Thompson lit a candle in memory of Pearl S. Martin*



Kathryn Thompson - June 18, 2020 at 05:46 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.*



June 18, 2020 at 05:07 PM



“ *Felecia D. Bell Conpton sent a virtual gift in memory of Pearl S. Martin*



Felecia D. Bell Conpton - June 18, 2020 at 02:21 PM



Mrs. Pearl Martin was my High School Art Teacher. She was my biggest inspiration for becoming the Artist I am today. After graduating high school I went on to college and Pursued a major in art education from Prairie View A&M University. Where upon graduating I became an art teacher in the Beaumont Independent School District where I retired after 30 year's of service. Thank you for your greatness will live on forever in the hearts of many you shall be truly missed and always remembered.

Felecia D. Bell Conpton - June 18, 2020 at 02:36 PM

AD

All my memories of Link Pearl Martin begin with a smile. Her thoughtfulness and willingness to share her talent and time make her so special in my life. I am blessed with three of her original works on the walls of my home. She took a pains to create to create a memorial painting after the passing of my late husband, John Whittaker Davis III, whom she had known since his youth. In meetings of the Houston Chapter of Links, she provided wonderful historical information that kept you smiling on every agenda item. She was so committed to persons that she met and taught. Such an inspiration. Those of us who had the privilege of knowing her, working with her, laughing with her are truly blessed. My prayers continue for her family. Algenita Scott Davis.

Algenita Scott Davis - June 19, 2020 at 09:49 AM

BM

“ *Brenda Mathis lit a candle in memory of Pearl S. Martin*



Brenda Mathis - June 18, 2020 at 01:13 PM

BM

“ *A nice, sweet lady! Taught me art at PV Training. Her husband worked with my dad on campus in Harrington Science Building.*

Brenda Mathis - June 18, 2020 at 01:13 PM

BW

“ *Beverly Walker lit a candle in memory of Pearl S. Martin*



Beverly Walker - June 18, 2020 at 12:50 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.*



June 18, 2020 at 12:50 PM



“ *Mrs. Martin has been my neighbor and friend every since I have been in Prairie View. She will be missed. WHParker*

William H. Parker - June 18, 2020 at 12:37 PM



“ *Sincere condolences to the family. I will hold to the memories of a beautiful spirited lady who was a very patient art teacher to me at Prairie View Training School and also fellow member of St. Martin De Porres Catholic Church. Mary Ann Redd Smith*



Mary Redd Smith - June 18, 2020 at 01:32 AM



“ *So sorry to read this. Her husband, Dr. Martin taught me. Wonderful people.*



debra sapenter - June 17, 2020 at 11:37 PM

FB

“ Frances and Dr. Lee P. Brown purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Pearl S. Martin.



Frances and Dr. Lee P. Brown - June 17, 2020 at 05:00 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.



June 17, 2020 at 03:44 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.



June 17, 2020 at 02:18 PM



“ Burnest Carter lit a candle in memory of Pearl S. Martin



Burnest Carter - June 17, 2020 at 12:29 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.*



June 17, 2020 at 09:02 AM



“ *Frederick V Roberts lit a candle in memory of Pearl S. Martin*



Frederick V Roberts - June 17, 2020 at 01:40 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy and condolences to the Pearl S. Martin family on the passing of the venerable matriarch - Mrs. Pearl S. Martin. Mrs. Martin will surely be missed for that infectious smile, personality and love for all mankind. I personally will miss helping her to gather her many personal paintings for the Art Shows. I am glad I have two pieces to always remind me of her artistic abilities. May her soul rest in peace and her legacy continues. Be of good courage and know that she is now in the arms of God.*

Frederick V Roberts - June 17, 2020 at 01:40 AM



“ *Condolences to Andrea, Debra and Chris an the rest of the family. Mrs Martin was my Godmother and the first one to introduce me to the world of art when I was 9. She was so patient and kind.*

Cynthia Redd Williams - June 16, 2020 at 04:50 PM

CW

“ Cathy (Smith) & Larry Watson purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Pearl S. Martin.



Cathy (Smith) & Larry Watson - June 16, 2020 at 03:34 PM



“ Ever Upward Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.



June 16, 2020 at 02:21 PM



“ Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.



June 16, 2020 at 02:18 PM



“ Bountiful Rose Basket was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.



June 16, 2020 at 02:14 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.*



June 16, 2020 at 12:17 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.*



June 15, 2020 at 11:30 PM



“ *May God do for the family and loved ones of Soror Pearl Martin what only He can do: strengthen you with His love, fill you with His assurance, bless you with His peace....and hold you in His arms as you are held in our prayers.*

Zeta Gamma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Soror Erica Scott, Basileus

Soror Renee A. Arkadie, Hodegos

Renee Arkadie - June 15, 2020 at 07:17 PM



May she rest well in peace and power. The Elam Family

Tricia Elam Walker - June 15, 2020 at 11:31 PM

TM

“ Mrs Pearl S.Martin taught me how appreciate the skill of creating art in many ways and how to create our ideas through her art work, she inspired many youngsters through her care for teaching young students to improve their natural creative skills.She always showed love and care for all who knew her.May you rest in peace Mrs Pearl Martin ,you inspired me as a young artist and i know you touched many more throughout your career.Theodore Mathis and Family

theodore mathis - June 15, 2020 at 06:09 PM



“ Ringed by Love was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.



June 15, 2020 at 05:19 PM

WT

“ Wendell Thompson
I can remember Mrs Martin was always caring about us young college kids coming to visit her son because of the music connection we had as friends but after spending hours in Chris room playing music she would often give us treats like brownies to take back to campus with us, she was our mother figure away from home just loving and caring, reunited with Mr Martin in Heaven 2 beautiful souls 🙏

Wendell Thompson - June 15, 2020 at 12:03 PM

ET

“ For nearly 40 years, "Miss Pearl," my dear friend, the late Dr. Edward W. Martin's wife, has been my special valentine. She would say, "You are spoiling Eddie, He gets to buy just a card for me and then wait for you to bring the roses and the candy so he can start to eat the nut filled chocolates." It brought me joy to visit her out at Cinco Ranch and she smiled broadly when I arrived always with something for her. God blessed her to enjoy a wonderful family life, professional life, and service life. Truly a great lady I shall miss forever. May God receive her unto Himself and give her well deserved rest right beside Dr. Martin, her "Eddie."

In deepest sympathy,

Emma Joahanne Thomas-Smith

Emma J. Thomas - June 15, 2020 at 12:27 AM

GT

“ Mrs. Pearl S. Martin was a teacher at Sam Schwarz High School and she taught us at a very early age. She was a wonderful teacher. As you remember and mourn your loss we at Sam Schwarz Alumni mourn with you. We are wishing you peace today and know that God's Will has been done. Praying for the family.

From Gloria Marie Quiller Thompson Family

GLORIA MARIE THOMPSON - June 14, 2020 at 10:37 AM

IC

“ I remember Ms Martin from Sam Schwarz school. She was a great artist. May she rest in peace. Prayers for her family.



Ida Campbell - June 14, 2020 at 09:11 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Pearl S. Martin.*



June 13, 2020 at 06:55 PM



“ *I remember when my wife (Vernell) & I had to pleasure of attending the Play The Color Purple in NYC with the Dr&Mrs Pearl on a wonderful March night . This was before Mrs Pearl had her surgery on her leg. She saw a lady in a wheel chair and she said I'm not going to come to a place like this in a wheelchair... I said why wouldn't you ? She said I'm too Vain for that. The four of us laughed so hard... You've reconnected with your partner in Life now you both can Rest peacefully.... You both will be missed dearly. Love Gary & Vernell Bond*

Gary Bond (Vernell) - June 13, 2020 at 06:37 PM



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Wendell Thompson - June 15, 2020 at 11:57 AM