



## Donna Ruth Martin

September 10, 1937 - June 15, 2023

Donna Ruth Martin, 85, of Andrews, passed away at her residence on Thursday, June 15, 2023, surrounded by her family.

Donna was born on September 10, 1937, in Huntington County, IN, the daughter of Virgil Smuts and Ruth (Kinch) Smuts. She graduated from Andrews High School with the class of 1955. Donna married the love of her life Dale L. Martin on 12/27/1955, in Huntington, IN. They shared 40 years of marriage before he preceded her in death on September 16, 1995. Donna was a faithful Christian and a member of the Abundant Fellowship Church of Huntington, IN. She retired from Huntington North High School after many years in food service.

Donna was an excellent cook, liked working jigsaw puzzles and playing a round of golf with her son. She enjoyed going fishing, feeding her birds and always up for a game of Yahtzee. Donna's devotion to serving her Lord was one of the most important aspects of her life and attending bible study as much as possible. She adored her family and loved when they would come for visits. Donna always had an open-door policy, and everyone was welcomed.

Donna is survived by her two sons, Mark A. Martin of Huntington, IN, Nick D. Martin of Andrews, IN; three grandchildren, Cody, Nicky, Christina, Brandi, Jeremy, many nieces and nephews and her loving kitty LT. She is preceded in

death by her husband, Dale L. Martin, son, Greg A. Martin, father, Virgil Smuts, mother, Ruth Smuts, brothers, Rex Smuts, Herb Smuts, Doug Smuts, Bob Smuts, Danny "Butch" Smuts, and sisters, Bonnie Baker, Doris Benfatti, Margret Smuts, Louise Lawson.

Visitation will be from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Friday, June 23, 2023, at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN. Funeral services will follow at 12:00 pm Friday, June 23, 2023, at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Pastor Scott Snodderly officiating. Burial will be in Andrews Riverside Cemetery in Andrews.

Preferred memorials to the Abundant Fellowship Church of Huntington, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

Please sign the online guest book at [www.baileylove.com](http://www.baileylove.com).

Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of Donna Ruth Martin.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **23**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary  
35 West Park Drive  
Huntington, IN 46750  
(260) 356-1710  
wecare@baileylove.com  
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## Service

JUN **23**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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## Burial

JUN **23** (ET)

Riverside Cemetery (Andrews)  
7351-7399 W. River Rd.  
Andrews, IN 46702

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bailey-Love Mortuary has created this video tribute in memory of Donna Martin.* ”



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - June 22, 2023 at 10:51 AM

CP

“ *Cheryl Poe lit a candle in memory of Donna Martin* ”



Cheryl Poe - June 21, 2023 at 06:56 PM

MC

“ *Donna, my dear friend. Oh, how I loved you! Your warm smile, your contagious laugh, your sense of humor... But most of all your love for Our Lord. You not only had a beautiful face, you also had a beautiful heart. I will always remember our visits, and standing even in a store chatting a while. You will be forever missed.... and always and forever loved. Rest easy with the Angels Donna. Thank you for always being my special friend and confidant. Love you!* ”



*Your friend,*  
*Mary Caley.* 🌹🙏🌹

Mary Caley - June 20, 2023 at 07:36 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donna Ruth Martin.*



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June 19, 2023 at 02:24 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Donna Ruth Martin.*



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June 19, 2023 at 11:43 AM



“ *We have known Donna all our lives. Very sweet lady. And always had a smile.*



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**Jess & Kay** - June 19, 2023 at 06:15 AM



“ *Prayers for the family!!! Loved her so much she is the sweetest ever* □□□



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**tracy** - June 18, 2023 at 10:37 PM

CM

“ *Claudia Machall lit a candle in memory of Donna Martin*



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**Claudia Garretson Machall** - June 18, 2023 at 06:36 PM

DS

“ *Met Donna at bible study. She is a very sweet person who loves the Lord very much. Debbie Seabolt*



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**Debbie Seabolt** - June 18, 2023 at 06:32 PM

TG

“ *Donna was one of the sweetest women I've ever known. I have fond memories of her since my childhood and she always had a hug and smile whenever I saw her. She will be deeply missed by many. 🙏*



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**Tina Gressley** - June 18, 2023 at 05:10 PM

RB

“ *Mark & Nick and families,  
So very sorry of your mom's passing. She was always so sweet & fun to be around. Our kids liked her so much when they were at HNHS.  
Prayers for you all.  
Ramonda Decker Bickel & family*

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**Ramonda Decker Bickel** - June 18, 2023 at 01:21 PM

MC

*So very true, Ramonda. Donna was always kind to the children., and I'm sure made sure that if they needed a meal and didn't have money she would make sure they ate lunch. ❤️*

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**Mary Caley** - June 20, 2023 at 07:40 PM

KC

“ *kenny caudill lit a candle in memory of Donna Martin*



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**kenny caudill** - June 17, 2023 at 08:37 PM