



Benito Martinez Jr.

February 29, 1948 - January 16, 2023

Benito Martinez, Jr. 74 of Lebanon, Indiana passed away on Monday, January 16, 2023, at his residence. He was born February 29, 1948, in Edcouch, Texas, the son of the late Benito and Maria Martinez.

Benito married Patricia Sue (Runyon) Martinez on December 16, 1968, in Crawfordsville, Indiana.

He graduated from Edcouch-Elsa High School in 1967. After High School he joined the United States Air Force and served our country for 12 years. He worked at the Naval Warfare Center in Indianapolis, Indiana as a Junior Engineer where he later retired.

Benito loved spending time with his family, his little dog Lucy, he thoroughly enjoyed building computers and tinkering with RC planes.

Survivors include wife, Patricia "Sue" Martinez; children, Marty (Sharon) Martinez of Lebanon and Benny (fiancée Amber) of Colfax; granddaughter, Sophie Martinez; brothers, Fidel Martinez and Juan Martinez; sisters, Rosie Elizondo, Becky Martinez, and Rachel Esparza.

In addition to his parents, Benito was preceded in death by his brothers Paul Martinez, Noe Martinez and Daniel Martinez.

Due to Benito's wishes, a private service will be held at a later date. Myers Mortuary and Boone County Crematory have been entrusted with his arrangements for cremation.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Boone County Cancer Society, 117 West Elm Street, Lebanon, Indiana 46052 or American Heart Association, P.O. Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75284-0692.

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Tribute Wall

SM

“ Thank you for being a wonderful grandfather to our Sophie. My father never got the chance so you had double the work. We always enjoyed what gag gift you and Sophie would get each other for Christmas. I think you tried to outdo each other. You were loved and will be greatly missed.

Sharon Martinez - January 24, 2023 at 06:31 PM

SM

“ To my husband, I was supposed to spend the rest of my life with you. And then I realized you spent the rest of your life with me. I will always love you, Sue

Sue Martinez - January 23, 2023 at 08:58 PM

SM

“ Thank you for always being there for me and for never failing to make me laugh. Thank you for being the best grandpa I could ask for. I will see you later, but for now, I'll wait. I'll wait and hopefully make you proud. I love you 💜



Sophie Martinez - January 23, 2023 at 02:21 AM

FM

“ I didn't get a chance to really get to know my Tio Benito, but reading through the comments, I get the sense of how great of a man he was. Very similar to his brother and my father- Daniel Martínez. When we lost my dad back in 2005, I remember seeing Tio Benito and though 'wow, he looks just like my dad'. I couldn't help but waddle over to him and give him a hug. I got a chance to talk to him one last time a few weeks ago, and I am grateful he was open to talking to me even though we were not well acquainted. He was definitely an intelligent man and good spirited much like all of us Martínez'. May he rest in peace and watch over us as we journey through life. My condolences. I would love to make contact with my cousins from Indiana. I'm sure they have awesome stories to share. Love you all.



Freddie Martinez (youngest of Daniel Mar - January 21, 2023 at 09:22 AM

SH

“ Just don't know how to express my feelings after knowing someone for so many years he will be missed by me and many others. He was my neighbor many for years, he was a funny person, very dry sense of humor, but always teasing and joking around. He was a very loving husband, father and friend RIP Junior until we meet again.



Sandy Hurless - January 21, 2023 at 07:00 AM

JM

“ I remember when he told mom about the might eggs she made him eat a whole dozen I going to miss him

Juan martinez - January 20, 2023 at 10:23 PM

MJ

“ Sue, I’m thinking of you and your family. I’m sorry for the loss of a good family man. I’ll keep you in my prayers. God be WTH all of you at this difficult time. I have yet to taste a cream cheese ball better than he made. Marlene

Marlene Jewell - January 20, 2023 at 08:35 AM

RE

I will miss our long talks we had on the phone. We would reminisce alot about the the times when we were younger. He was always very helpful and ready to fix my computer problems. I miss talking to him. God bless him May he rest in peace.

Raquel Esparza - January 21, 2023 at 12:17 AM

MM

“ Dad you were the smartest man I know you taught me so much, you were the best grandfather to my daughter, I love you and I will miss you, we will meet again one day.

Marty Martinez - January 19, 2023 at 09:11 PM

RE

“ My brother was the most intelligent man I had ever known. He was out family historian. I am thankful that I was able to spend the last week. Didn't say goodbye because I was supposed to go back.



Rosie Elizondo - January 19, 2023 at 07:56 PM

RM

“ I'm going to miss talking and visiting you, remembering our childhood memories. I won't be able to pick your summer garden produce anymore. We have overcome so many obstacles and thanks to the coscorriones, you taught me to drive big trucks which helped become a bus driver for 42 years. Thank you for helping me when I needed you the most. I will miss so much. May you rest in peace along with mom and dad and our other four brothers, Pablo, Noe, Daniel and Jose Maria.

Rebecca Martinez - January 19, 2023 at 07:07 PM

MV

Tio I've always called you my hero along with my other Tios so funny and larger than life. I didn't get to spend a lot of time with you but I remember as a child having this great moment with you in your backyard and having you visit the valley during Christmas and yes you made a great cheeseball. Thanks for being a great Tio and great brother to my mom

Margie Esparza Villarreal - January 21, 2023 at 12:34 AM

OO

My deepest condolences its been a long time since I last saw you all, rest in peace,

Olga Ortiz - January 21, 2023 at 02:05 AM

BM

“ Goodbye Dad we will miss you, but you're free of these chains of earth now you are free to do the things you love. We all love you Dad rest easy in heaven.

Benny J Martinez - January 19, 2023 at 11:53 AM



“ *I would love
to tell my brother dirty jokes
How I miss you BOB forever on my mind*

Fidel Martinez - January 19, 2023 at 01:43 AM