



## Robert "Bob" F. Martin Sr.

October 11, 1942 - August 30, 2022

Robert "Bob" F. Martin Sr.

Age 79 of Butternut died on August 30, 2022 at Marshfield Medical Center in Weston. He was born on October 11, 1942 in Portland, Maine, the son of Joseph and Avis Martin. His early life and schooling were in Falmouth, Massachusetts. After graduation, Robert pursued a degree in education at the local community college then he spent one year studying at Culinary Institute of America in New Haven, Connecticut . During his studies he was drafted to the U.S. Marine Corps, where he served his country for four years. Bob completed his studies at UW Stout earning his Bachelor's degree in Hospitality Management and his Master's degree in Education. On October 28, 1978 he married Lynn VanRossum in Appleton, Wisconsin. He taught at Waukesha County Technical College in Pewaukee for some time before becoming the Vice President of Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton. He then moved to the Northwoods and served as Director at North Central Technical College in Phillips for ten years before retiring. Bob was heavily active in the economic development of every community he lived in. He loved helping others and spending time with his family and friends. He especially enjoyed golfing and hunting.

He is survived by his wife Lynn of Butternut, (2)children Bobby "Jazz" Martin of Chicago, IL, Jennifer Lynn Martin of Butternut, (1)granddaughter Amaya Martin, and his dog Paddy.

He was preceded in death by his parents, (3)sons: Mark Joseph, James Anthony, and Jason Dean. (1)granddaughter Anna Lynn Martin.

A Memorial Mass will be held at 11:00am on Saturday September 10, 2022 at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Park Falls. Fr. Shaji Pazhukkathara and Deacon Chet Ball will co-officiate.

A visitation will be held at the church from 10:00am until the hour of the service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

Birch Street Funeral Service is assisting the family.  
[www.birchstreetfuneralservice.com](http://www.birchstreetfuneralservice.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **10**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St Anthony's Catholic Church  
276 S 5th Ave  
Park Falls, WI 54552-1143  
(715) 762-4494

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert "Bob" F. Martin Sr.*

October 05, 2023 at 02:07 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Bob was instrumental in assisting me to become the woman/person I am today. Having spent a year at FVTC, I was involved with the student senate. Interviewing Nick Bordini for a newspaper article where Nick mentioned a new program, I went immediately to student services and changed majors. Bob took me on as a work study student but guided and encouraged me through the deaths of both my parents. He encouraged me to further my education at UW Stout. I did finally graduate in the 2000's and I contribute it to him. I was blessed to have him in my life. Eileen Hermus-Gossen*

Eileen Hermus-Gossen - May 22, 2023 at 05:30 PM



“ *We are so sorry to learn of Bob's passing. It was Bob who encouraged me to come to Appleton to help start up the Culinary Arts program at FVTC in 1973. I am forever grateful to Bob for that opportunity which created a wonderful career for me at FVTC. Bob always had a twinkle in his eye and a hearty laugh which got us through many challenges. We send of sincere condolences to his family. May he Rest In Peace. Albert and Janice Exenberger*

Albert and Janice Exenberger - September 12, 2022 at 04:49 PM

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“ Dear Lynn & Family - Bob hired me at FVTC years ago. Keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers. Deepest Sympathies - Kathy R

Kathy - September 12, 2022 at 03:17 PM



“ Bob took time out on a Saturday to interview me. I was hired as one of the four original Culinary Arts instructors one year after the program began. I spent 30 great years teaching the subject I LOVE! I was only 23. Thanks for believing in me Bob! I will never forget you! Richard Kimball

Richard Kimball - September 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM

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“ Lynn, Jennifer and Family, I am sorry to hear of Bob's passing, he was a kind and gentle soul. I hope he is reunited with his loved ones!

Mary Abba - September 07, 2022 at 07:52 AM

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“ Karen Kilger lit a candle in memory of Robert "Bob" F. Martin Sr.



Karen Kilger - September 05, 2022 at 10:02 PM

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“ *Sandi Heimerl lit a candle in memory of  
Robert "Bob" F. Martin Sr.*



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**Sandi Heimerl** - September 04, 2022 at 08:16 PM