



## Francis J. Martin

September 19, 1924 - May 22, 2020

Francis J. Martin, 95, of St. Wendel, IN, passed away Friday, May 22nd, 2020 at Solarbron Terrace.

Francis was born September 19, 1924 in St. Wendel, IN to the late Anthony J. and Severina (Brune) Martin. Francis was a veteran of WWII serving in the United States Army in the European Theatre. He was a lifelong member of St. Wendel Catholic Church and a farmer. He was also a proud member and past Commander of VFW Post 6576.

Dad was a man of integrity who always worked hard in every facet of his life whether it be as a soldier, husband, farmer, father and grandfather. He enjoyed meeting and talking to people usually adding in a few jokes. Most of all he loved and adored his wife, Mary.

Surviving Francis are two daughters, Mary Alice (Bill) Pigman of St. Wendel and Ann (Tim) Bitter of Evansville; three sons, Michael (Rita) Martin of St. Wendel, IN, Paul Martin of Evansville and Jim (Denise) Martin of Owensboro, KY; two sisters, Imelda (Bob) Woodward of Evansville and Hilda (Vernon) Schaefer of Haubstadt; twenty one grandchildren, Erin Norwood, Brandon Martin, Lindsay Schaefer, Lauren Lasher, Sara Dooley, Paul Martin, Jr., Laurie Marshall, Lisa Painter, Leslie Pickens, Jeff Pigman, Tim Pigman, Michael Pigman, Brian Pigman, Emily Bolognese, Amanda Shepard, Daniel Martin, Kendal Short, Kyle Martin, Trisha Memmer, Kristen Mott and Matthew Bitter, 32 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild.

In addition to his parents, Francis was preceded in death by his wife of 66

years, Mary (Elpers) Martin in 2015; by two sons, Joe and Tim Martin; his daughter-in-law, Candace Martin; two sisters, Marianna Elpers and Wilma Voelker and by a brother, Tony Martin.

There will be a private funeral Mass held on Wednesday, May 27th, 2020 at St. Wendel Catholic Church. Burial will take place in the St. Wendel Church Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family from 2:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. on Tuesday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Wendel Catholic Church, 10542 W, Boonville-New Harmony Road, Evansville, IN 47720.

The family would like to thank his caregivers at Solarbron Terrace who he referred to as his "angels." You will always be appreciated for your kindness. Condolences may be made online at [www.pierrefuneralhome.com](http://www.pierrefuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## St. Wendel Church Cemetery

10542 W. Boonville-New Harmony Road  
Evansville, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **26**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home  
2601 W. Franklin Street  
Evansville, IN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pierre Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Francis J. Martin*



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**Pierre Funeral Home** - May 27, 2020 at 10:25 AM



“ *Pierre Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Francis J. Martin*



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**Pierre Funeral Home** - May 24, 2020 at 05:14 PM



“ *Francis J. Martin*

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January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM

KW

“ Dear Martin Family, I was so sorry to hear about your dad's passing. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Karen Waller



Karen M Waller - May 27, 2020 at 10:29 PM

CL

“ Frank was a great man. He would sit in our Sunday services at solarbron. He was so funny at times. I enjoyed when he would just start singing. Lots of good memories! He was a blessing. Praying for your family. Tony and Carrie Lord

Carrie lord - May 27, 2020 at 04:06 PM



“ 188 files added to the album LifeTributes



Pierre Funeral Home - May 24, 2020 at 05:01 PM

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“ Will be forever grateful to Frank for finding us Kansas relatives. He found us as only Frank could. He was one last real gentlemen.. We will miss he and Mary, knowing we could go to Indiana anytime and be welcomed with open arms. Rest i piece

Rollie and Mary Jane Elpers - May 24, 2020 at 12:54 PM

JB

“ Frank always brought a smile to my face. May the Souls of the Faithfully Departed Rest in Peace.

Joy Kramer Barrett - May 24, 2020 at 12:14 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Francis J. Martin.



May 24, 2020 at 09:23 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Francis J. Martin.



May 23, 2020 at 11:15 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Francis J. Martin.* ”



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May 23, 2020 at 09:19 PM