



William Vernon Martin

March 15, 1949 - June 25, 2026

William “Vernon” Martin, 77, went to be with his Lord and Savior on Tuesday, June 23, 2026 at Conway Medical Center. He was born March 15, 1949 in Hemingway, a son of the late Moses Walker Martin and Lillian Williams Martin.

He was also predeceased by his son, Barry Strickland and siblings, Frances Shoupe, Moses Walker “Bubba” Martin Jr., Virgie Stevens, John Allen Martin and Wanda Dean Martin.

Vernon was a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend to all he met. He was a member of Pauley Swamp Baptist Church, where he was a former deacon and taught Sunday School for many years. Vernon was a former medic for the US Army, serving as a paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne Division. He worked at Georgetown Steel Corporation, retiring from Safety Manager after thirty-three years. He was also a member of the Bucksport Water System Board, serving as Chairman for several of those years. From the lowest to the highest, he loved everybody by showing his love through his kindness and generosity. Working was his nature. He was his happiest working on and restoring old cars. He also loved watching NASCAR racing.

A Great man is one who leaves others at a loss after he is gone.

Mr. Martin is survived by his wife of forty-eight years, Kathy L. Martin; daughter, Heather Johnson (Rett); grandchildren, Maddie Grace Johnson and Macy Grier Johnson; many special nieces and nephews that he loved like his children, along with many other family and friends who will miss him.

Funeral Services will be held 1pm, Saturday, June 27, 2026 at Watson Funeral Services Chapel with Rev. David Stevens and Rev. Robbin King officiating.

Burial will follow at Hillcrest Cemetery.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Cemetery

1000 Hwy 544
Conway, SC 29526
(843) 347-4909
office@hillcrestcemetery.com
<https://www.hillcrestcemetery.com/>

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN 27. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Watson Funeral Home
2300 Hwy 378
Conway, SC 29527

Funeral Service

JUN 27. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Burial

JUN 27. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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