



## Charles Monroe Martin

December 18, 1954 - May 25, 2018

Dr. Charles Monroe Martin, was born on December 18, 1954, in Bristol, Virginia, to the late Maude Ervin Martin and Russell Brown.

Charles attended Samuel Tilden High School in Brooklyn, New York, and graduated in 1973. He also attended Brooklyn College in 1975, and later he received a Doctorate of Theology from The Upper Room Bible College and Seminary.

At the age of 5, Charles's interest in church music and activities began while attending the New Hope Baptist Church. He sang and was an active member of the children's choir. He was greatly inspired by his aunt, Margret Lawson, who played the organ and piano for their church. At the age of 16, Charles accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal Lord and Savior.

In addition, he served as the Minister of Music for the St. Timothy Holy Church in Brooklyn, New York. Being inspired by his brother David, who played the keys, Charles began to "tickle the ivories" too. In 1975, he started a group by the name of Melodies of Praise, who traveled throughout many places in the United States, spreading the word of God through music.

Charles enlisted in the United States Army on May 17, 1977, and was a Sergeant E5. He was stationed in Ft. Knox, Kentucky, Ft. Eustis, Virginia,

Germany, and Korea. While serving his country, he received two Bronze Stars, Army Commendation Medal, Army Service Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Overseas Service Ribbon, and the Southwest Service Medal. In addition, he served in Desert Storm in Saudi Arabia from 1990-1991. On September 22, 1992, Charles was Honorably Discharged from the United States Army.

While stationed in Kentucky, Charles was appointed the Southwestern District as Head Minister of Music, over the states of Kentucky, Ohio, and Indiana, for the Born Again Apostolic Church organization.

On August 30, 1980, he married Robyn Gordon, and to this union two children were born.

Dr. Charles Martin was a general in the Lord's church. In January 1981, he acknowledged his calling to the ministry of preaching. Ordained of God, he immediately began his work in the ministry.

Dr. Martin served as the pastor of Mount Olive Baptist Church, for nearly 20 years, in Johnson City, Tennessee. He had a love for God and the people of God; many received spiritual guidance from him. After settling in Dover Delaware, he attended Holy Trinity Church of the Living God, where he was under watch care. Charles had a love for all whom he came in contact with. He especially enjoyed the old-time songs. and was always dressed in his Sunday best. He will be forever cherished and greatly missed.

On Thursday May 25, 2018, at 7:55pm, at the Kent General Hospital, Charles received his heavenly wings. Heaven is rejoicing because one of "God's Generals" has gone from labor to reward. He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers, Joseph Martin and Henry Martin.

Charles leaves to celebrate his life, his two daughters, whom he loved dearly, Crystal Martin and Danielle Martin; siblings, Jeffrey Martin, Jr. (Sylvia), Marva Martin, David Martin (Renee), Alvin Martin (Anne), Sylvia Martin, William Martin (Katherine), Michael Martin (April), George Martin(Karen), Mary

Bascon (Gary), Melvin Martin. Rev. Mark(Lisa)Canty, Richard Canty, Sabrina Ross, and Gracie Falls; stepmother, Mary Brown; son in the gospel, Evan Davis; a host of other spiritual sons and daughters in the Lord; special friends, Mary Fain, Elder Tim Haralson, Elder Marlon Willingham, Percy Wilson, Elder Bruce Hudson, Elder Dr. Cornelia Johnson Davis and Deacon Dr. Lapointe Davis, Minister Erich Gillespie, Evangelist Rosie L. Johnson, and Mother Sarah Brown. In addition, he leaves a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and the entire Mt. Olive Baptist Church Family as well as the Holy Trinity Church of the Living God Family; Overseer Martha T. Smith; and Elder John L. Smith.

“As long as I have breath, I will praise, worship and serve the Lord. May what the Lord has done thru me, speak for me.” Dr. C Martin  
“Well Done Thou Good and Faithful Servant”

Submitted in Love,  
The Family

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# Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

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**Bennie Smith Funeral Home** - April 23, 2021 at 04:02 PM

PR

“ *My condolences to the family for your lost. May the peace of God that excels all thought comfort you and the comfort that God gives helps you. ( 2Corinthians 1: 3,4)*

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**Pam R.** - June 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ *My deepest condolences for the loss of your dear loved one. While nothing will completely take away your grief, by meditating on Gods promises found in the Bible, you can find real hope and the strength to keep going. My family and I have found the scripture at Isaiah 25:8 to be especially comforting. Here it promises that God "will swallow up death forever and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces."*

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**H. Fields** - June 02, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Danielle, with Caring Sympathy In the Loss Of Your Dad. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Matthew 5:4*

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**Mrs. Juliet Weston & Ciara Weston June 2, 2018** - June 02, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Danielle  
there are no words that I or anyone else can say that will offer the comfort that your heart needs right now. Just know and trust that god will supply you and your family with all that you need now and as time goes on. Trust in those around you that they will do all that they can to make you whole. Danielle I pray that you and your family will be granted the healing and peace that you need to get through this time.  
With Sympathy and Love  
~Dawn Barnes

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**Dawn** - June 02, 2018 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ Danielle, my heart is with you during this time. Thanks for sharing such a beautiful obituary and all the wonderful tributes of your father. May it give you comfort knowing that "an inheritance in heaven is the safest possible place." My thoughts are with you and your family.

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**Gloria** - June 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Dear Danielle,  
My heart is heavy for you in this time of loss. May all your memories bring you comfort. Love and prayers sent to you and your family.

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**Cathy Schiffelbein** - June 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Danielle, Sorry for your loss. May the Lord watch over you and your family during this trying time. May he give you the strength you and your sister needs to get through this.  
Sending my love and prayers to you and your entire family.

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**Catrina Smith** - June 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your loved one and I would like to extend my deepest condolence to the family of Charles Martin. May you find comfort in God's words in (Revelation 21: 4.)

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**JoyceA** - June 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ **WITH OUR LOVE AND DEEPEST SYMPATHY**  
To the family of Rev. Dr. Charles M. Martin, due to illness, we could not be with you for his Home-going Celebration; however, we know your loss is deep and your sorrow is great. We want you to know that we share in your sorrow, but more importantly, we recognize that this loss is Heaven's Gain.  
No matter what your trials are, or how big your mountain seems;  
The Lord is there to see you through; He'll go to all extremes.  
So if your cross seems hard to bear, and you know not what to do;  
The One who loves you most of all, will be there to see you through.

*His Sister in Christ, Lorene Long  
And Nieces, DeShawna & Jamika  
Knoxville, Tennessee*

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**Lorene Long** - June 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Rest in Peace my FRIEND: I am truly going miss all the good times we spent together. Crystal and Danielle so sorry for your loss, your Daddy loved you both very, very, very much.

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**CAROLYN M FAIN** - May 30, 2018 at 12:00 AM

IR

“ *Sorry for your loss of a loved one. Read Isaiah 41:10 for words of comfort and peace.*

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**Irene** - May 30, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ *Sorry For Your Loss!  
Jesus Loves Me!  
You Are Special!*

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**Thomas & Libby** - May 29, 2018 at 12:00 AM