



## Martin Monroe "Blackjack" Reed Jr.

October 18, 1950 - February 10, 2020

Martin M. Reed, Jr., "Blackjack", was born on October 18, 1950, in Wilmington, Delaware, to the late Martin M. Reed, Sr. and Frances Reed. He departed this life on February 10, 2020, at home, surrounded by his loving family.

Blackjack received his early education from St. Joseph Middle School. He graduated from Salesianum High School in Wilmington, Delaware, in June of 1968. He enrolled at Delaware State College in the fall of 1969, but left to start his career at DuPont-Marshall Labs Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Martin retired in October of 2012.

Blackjack had many hobbies and interest. He had a green thumb for gardening and shared his harvest. He was an avid fisherman, loved reading novels and an expert traveler. Blackjack saw a majority of this land riding his custom Harley-Davidson motorcycle.

Blackjack was a former President and National Board member of THUNDERGUARDS MOTORCYCLE CLUB. He was a force to be reckoned with; a man that said what he meant, and meant what he said. He will be missed by some for not holding his tongue, for his overall presence in a room, and to family, for his loving demeanor.

In addition to his parents, Martin “Blackjack” was preceded in death by two brothers, Eugene Robertson and Michael Reed, Sr.

Martin “Blackjack” is survived by his beloved wife, Debra Reed; his children, Jerome Wilson of Upper Marlboro, MD, Monica Reed-Asante (Dedrick) of Columbia , MD and Martin M. Reed III of Wilmington, DE; five brothers, Paul Reed (Lynda), James Reed, (Arlene), Joseph Reed, Sr.( Korrine), William Reed, and Robert Reed(Kim); one sister, Marie “Cissy” Reed; step-son, Reginald Williams; two granddaughters, Jemison and Ella Asante; devoted four legged companion, Mumzy; and a host of nieces and nephews and other loving friends.

#### Martin’s Last Quote

“I had a great life... Live it, love it the way I wanted to live it.”

# Tribute Wall

SP

“ *To the Family of Martin/BlackJack. My Prayers are with you. May the Peace of God that surpasses all understanding, guard your heart & mind.*

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**Snapon & Pat** - February 22, 2020 at 08:25 AM

JT

“ *Warmest condolences, to the family of Martin Reed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you today. From Jesse Van Tol and the NCRC family*

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**Jesse Van Tol** - February 21, 2020 at 10:35 AM

KR

“ *Aunt Debbie, we love you! Love Mike, Kim, Michaela, Milan, Maya, Cris, Cameron, Imani! Keeping you in prayer always!!*

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**Kimberley Reed** - February 20, 2020 at 11:30 AM

GW

“ *Mr. Black Jack, That is what I always called him from the first day I met him at the original club house when visiting with Big James, and that was before I became a T/G. That was more than 10 years ago. From my days as a Prospect to National Secretary in the Midwest, When ever we were together, I always appreciated his wisdom, mannerism, and calm conversation. Mr. Black Jack, Thanks for each second we spent together. Rest In Peace my Brother*

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**GW** - February 18, 2020 at 04:38 PM

PM

“ *My sincere condolences to you on the passing of Martin. May God give you strength at this time*

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**Pamela McNeil** - February 18, 2020 at 11:59 AM

BF

“ *I send my deepest condolences to the Reed family. I remember the good times growing up with Martin in Southbridge.***Bruce Fitzgerald**

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**Bruce Fitzgerald** - February 16, 2020 at 05:44 PM

VP

“ *To the Reed Family Sorry for your loss. Lifetime Neighbor Carolyn*

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**Virginia Phillips** - February 13, 2020 at 06:34 PM

SS

“ *When I joined the Thunder guards in 1994 Blackjack took me under his wing and I looked up to Blackjack I used to call him my father he wasn't only a brother he's like a mentor to me.*

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**Shawn scrivens** - February 13, 2020 at 12:23 PM