



Martin L. White

December 17, 1935 - May 4, 2026

Martin L. White, age 90, of Sunrise Beach, passed away in his home on Monday May 4, 2026. He was born December 17, 1935, in Kansas City, Missouri, a son of the late Forrest and Mable (Martin) White.

Martin grew up in Independence, Missouri and graduated from William Chrisman High School. Following high school, he faithfully served his country in the United States Navy.

Martin was united in marriage to his surviving wife, Marcia “Lucille” (Phillips) White, on December 20, 1955.

Upon his return to the Kansas City area, he enrolled in a local engineering college and obtained his electrical engineering degree. He worked at Allied Signal until he retired.

In 1992, Martin and Lucille moved to the Lake of the Ozarks. He soon started a heating and cooling repair business, served as a member of the Osage Community Elks Lodge 2705 in Laurie and the American Legion. He was Elk of the Year for 2020.

He loved fishing, with many opportunities to go on fishing trips to Canada with his family. He loved playing corn hole and participating in competition BBQs.

More than anything, he enjoyed spending quality time with his family, whom he loved dearly.

Along with his wife Lucille White of 70 years, he is survived by sons, Martin R. White (Olivia), Phillip White, Derrick White (Julianne), and daughter Leslie Ann White; eleven grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews and numerous friends. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister Mary Lou Riney.

Visitation is scheduled for Wednesday, June 3, 2026 from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel, with a memorial service to begin at 12:00 p.m.. Military honors will follow at the conclusion of the memorial service.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home - Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel
417 Silvey Rd.
Laurie, MO 65038
(573) 374-7688

Memorial Service

JUN 3. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

TO

“ *My grandpa was a great man. I can't imagine a better role model for a grandson to have. I will cherish every minute we spent together and everything he taught me. I hope someday to live up to the example he set. I will forever miss you grandpa. I Love you. Rest in peace. Todd*



Todd - June 02 at 09:38 AM

VJ

“ *I've said it before and will say it again, Martin was one of the finest people I've ever known. He was quick to volunteer for various events, an excellent chef, a great crappie fisherman, and always had kind words for those who needed them. May God bless Martin.*



Van Jorstad - May 13 at 09:22 PM

CD

“ *To Lucy and family...I was so sorry to hear of Martin's passing. Although we haven't been very close over the past few years, I remember many good times with you and Martin and what a special friend he was. Got me out of a few messes with his wide range of repair knowledge. We so appreciated that he was Johnny on the Spot when I would call. Please accept my deepest sympathy for your loss.*

Colleen Dayton - May 12 at 10:08 PM

PM

“ My love and admiration of Martin is beyond words. He was my mentor, and best friend. We spent many years on several cook teams at the Elks Lodge and hundreds of hours repairing and keeping equipment around the Lodge functioning. He never sought praise for his expertise and oftentimes found and corrected problems without anyone else even knowing about them. A humble man to say the very least, a friend to all, and he took great pride in his family. I will miss him forever and the community has suffered the loss of a great man. Rest In Peace my dear friend. Pepsi

Preston Moore - May 10 at 08:05 AM

WA

“ I will forever cherish the time I spent with Martin, cooking BBQ, playing corn hole but most importantly fishing at Ghost River Lodge in Canada. I know he loved it up there being able fish with his sons and grandson! RIP Martin, you will always be in my memories!



Wayne - May 08 at 09:48 PM

RM

“ I met Martin at the Elks Lodge. I knew immediately we would be friends. Always there when you needed him. His expertise kept things running at the Elks, along with Pepsi. I will miss him, sincere sympathy to the family.

Ron Mueller - May 07 at 03:46 PM

KR

“ *I'm Martin's nephew Keith Riney. I shall forever be grateful for the wonderful memories of times shared together in life between our families. May God Bless*

Keith V Riney - May 07 at 02:11 PM

JO

“ *Always enjoyed playing cornhole with him or against him. He was a good man. Rest in Peace.*

John - May 07 at 09:01 AM

RW

Martin is and was one of the finest I have known. He will be missed by me and my wife. Fifty years he cared for our needs in Kansas City and then at the lake. We are so sad. Phil are thoughts are with. Tell your mom how much we cared for Martin.

Rob White - May 15 at 08:52 PM