



Ms. Barbara Ann Martin

August 25, 1941 - February 4, 2026

Barbara Ann Martin, age 84, of Brandon, Mississippi, passed away on Wednesday, February 4, 2026, surrounded by loved ones. Barbara was born on August 25, 1941, in Jackson, Mississippi, to John Martin, Sr. and Mercedes DeSilvey Martin.

She was married to Bobby George Parkman for 21 years, and together they made their home in Brandon, where they raised their three children: Adam, Sherry, and Monica.

Barbara was deeply devoted to her relationship with the Lord and spent countless hours studying the Bible and sharing God's Word with others. Her faith was the foundation of her life, and she expressed it through a lifelong commitment to serving both God and people. She dedicated much of her adult life to volunteer work at The Crisis Line, the VA Hospital, and Peachtree Nursing Home. She was also actively involved in prison ministries, regularly visited and assisted the elderly, taught a weekly Bible study at the Brandon Senior Center, and faithfully served as a Sunday School teacher at Grace Baptist Church.

Barbara never forgot where she came from. She openly shared her testimony of being saved by God from a life shaped by brokenness and struggle, and of how her faith transformed her completely. Because of this, she felt a special calling to reach others facing similar challenges. She intentionally ministered to individuals in drug and alcohol recovery programs, those impacted by incarceration, and anyone who felt overlooked or forgotten. Even as her

health declined, Barbara continued to share her faith and witness to others, including members of her hospice care team, until her body no longer allowed her to do so.

Barbara's passions extended well beyond her service to others and were deeply rooted in creativity and faith. She found great joy in crafting, cooking, and art, and she had a remarkable ability to take a blank canvas or an empty cupboard and transform it into something beautiful. Everything she created carried meaning and was often thoughtfully connected to the Word of God. A self-taught artist, Barbara especially loved painting portraits, drawn to the challenge of capturing not just a likeness but the depth and emotion of the moment. Her artwork reflected her faith, her wisdom, her compassion, and her unique ability to see beauty and purpose in everything around her — qualities for which she will always be remembered.

Barbara is survived by her three children: Adam Parkman, Sherry Boyd, and Monica Corley; her grandchildren: Brooke Stuart, Christopher Parkman, Kathrine Blake Hewitt, Jyssie Nicole Knowles, and Shaylen Corley; and her great-grandchildren: Madison Hewitt, Jerianna Hewitt, McKenna Stuart, Wesson Stuart, Kimber Parkman, Jacob Parkman, Kaison Parkman, and Oakley Parkman.

She was preceded in death by her father, John Martin, Sr.; her mother, Mercedes DeSilvey Martin; her brothers, John Martin Jr., Elwood Martin, and George Martin; and her daughter, Donna Mauria Parkman

Cemetery Details

Crestview Memorial Gardens Cemetery

1106 Star Road
Brandon, MS 39042

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Dean Memorial Funeral Home
745 Highway 468
Brandon, MS 39042
(601) 825-3884
<https://deanmemorialfuneralhome.com/>

Homegoing Service

FEB 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

Grace Baptist Church
1013 Hwy 471
Brandon, MS 39042

Tribute Wall



“ *Dean Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Barbara Ann Martin*

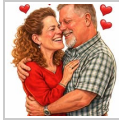


Dean Memorial Funeral Home - February 05 at 04:57 PM

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Was blessed to have known her

Barbara Summers - February 05 at 05:58 PM



Joy and I are in prayer for your family, but rejoice she is with her beloved Savior!

Jeff and Joy Mason

Jeff Mason - February 05 at 07:11 PM

DS

My deepest condolences and Prayers are with your family at this time.



Denise Sclater - February 26 at 11:35 AM

DS

“ *Denise Sclater sent a virtual gift in memory of Barbara Martin*



Denise Sclater - February 26 at 11:33 AM



“ Sweet Comfort Gift Crate was purchased for the family of Ms. Barbara Ann Martin.



February 06 at 11:03 AM



“ Chris and Ashley Grabert planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Barbara Ann Martin.

Chris and Ashley Grabert - February 05 at 10:47 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms. Barbara Ann Martin.



February 05 at 10:47 PM



“ Eddie Ainsworth lit a candle in memory of Barbara Martin



Eddie Ainsworth - February 05 at 01:32 PM

BM

“ *Barbara Magee sent a virtual gift in memory of Barbara Martin*



Barbara Magee - February 05 at 11:14 AM

TW

“ *Barbara will be missed dearly. She was such a kind hearted person. My deepest condolences to the family.*



Terry Watson - February 05 at 10:46 AM



“ *A'smile Alexander lit a candle in memory of Barbara Martin*



A'smile Alexander - February 05 at 09:28 AM

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“ *Barry & Cindy Lorah planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Barbara Ann Martin.*

Barry & Cindy Lorah - February 05 at 08:46 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ms. Barbara Ann Martin.*



February 05 at 08:46 AM