



## Freeman Martin,

August 25, 1937 - January 13, 2012

MANSFIELD -- Freeman Lincoln Martin Jr., 74, passed away Friday, Jan. 13, 2012. Service: 10 a.m. Monday, Blessing Funeral Home, 401 Elm St., Mansfield. Interment: 11 a.m. Tuesday in Mars Hill Cemetery, Lewisville, Ark.

Freeman was born Aug. 25, 1937, in De Kalb to Freeman L. Martin Sr. and Elma Martin who preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by a sister, Sara Ortega, and brothers, Harold L. Martin and Thomas M. Martin. Freeman and Janice raised their family in Arlington and moved to Mansfield in 1989. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather of four grandsons. Freeman served in the Dallas Police Reserves and later served as commander of the Dallas County Sheriffs Reserves. He was a Mason, served in the Army National Guard, worked for General Motors and then worked for Allstate Insurance Co. and retired after 33 years. Freeman attended First United Methodist Church in Mansfield. He was an avid deer hunter and enjoyed raising cattle on his farm. Survivors: In addition to his wife, Janice E. Martin of 52 years, Freeman is survived by his son, Rick R. Martin and wife, Terri, and their sons, Benjamin and Brody; daughter, Kimberley M. Taylor and husband, Gregg, their sons, Kyle and Matthew; sister, Nancy Watson and husband, Jimmy; numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

# Tribute Wall

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“ We love you Freeman. You will be missed but will always be in our heart.

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**Dave & Lyn** - January 18, 2012 at 01:25 PM

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“ I have the pleasure of being friends with your daughter, Kim. She is remarkable and must be a true measure of the type of father you were. May you rest with the angels. No more cancer, no more pain.

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**Michelle** - January 17, 2012 at 01:45 PM

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“ Janice, Kim, and Ricky:

*So sorry about the passing of Freeman. We know he is in a much better place in Glory, without suffering. We also know that someday we will meet again with all our loved ones in Christ in heaven. That is a wonderful comfort for us!*

*In the meantime we cherish the friendship we had, specially through the years we were raising our children around Irving and Arlington, during the years of GM days.*

*May our Precious Lord Jesus bestow you, and your family with all the comfort and blessings during this difficult time.*

*With loving thoughts,  
Jimmy and Carmen*

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**James and Carmen Johnson** - January 17, 2012 at 01:37 PM

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“ *May you now be God's Angel that watches over your beautiful wife Janice, son Rick and his family and your amazing daughter Kimberley and her family Gregg, Kyle and Matt. Please God help bring them peace and comfort in the days ahead.*

*God Bless,  
Mary Nash and Family*

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**Mary Nash** - January 16, 2012 at 07:22 PM