

David Martin, 59, passed away on Sunday, September 1, 2024, at his home in Grand Rapids, MN.

David John was born September 29, 1964, in Grand Rapids, the son of Arthur and Ruby Martin. He grew up in Grand Rapids and graduated from Grand Rapids High School in 1982. He earned a degree in computer programming from Brown Institute, Minneapolis, in 1983.

A man of great integrity and dedication, David proudly served in the United States Air Force during Operation Desert Storm from 1984 to 1993. Following his military tenure, he returned to Grand Rapids, immersing himself in various pursuits that were a testament to his passionate spirit. David's voice graced the airwaves at KAXE, showcasing his talents in broadcasting, whilst his involvement at the Reif Performing Arts Center highlighted his appreciation for artistic expression.

Music was his chief artistic expression—drums, guitar, keyboard—the music rolled up and out and fed his soul. He played, he practiced, he jammed with others, and simply shared the gift in so many ways, including his role in the Praise Band at Community Presbyterian Church.

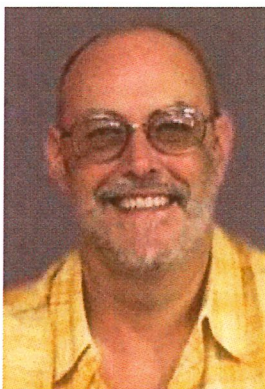
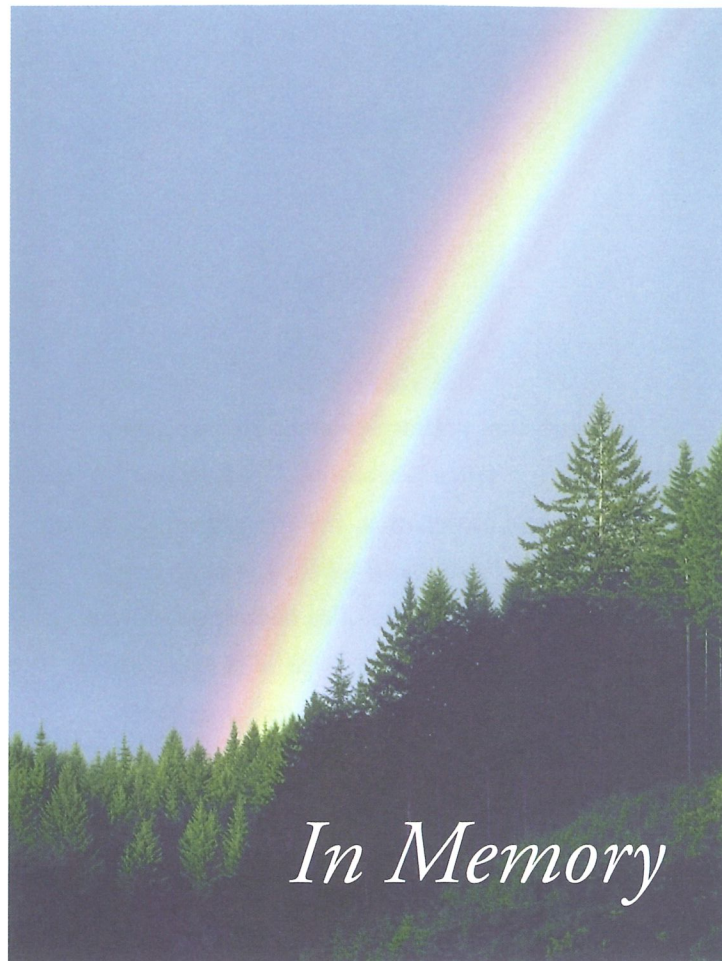
Additionally, his commitment to faith and community had grown to include his role as a deacon at Community Presbyterian Church earlier this year.

He is survived by his sister Janis (Paul) McConnaughay; brother James (Denise) Martin; nieces: Erika (Todd) Tosel, Mary Haussner, and Emily McConnaughay; nephews: Adam (Julie) Martin and Samuel McConnaughay; 4 great-nephews: Jack, Noah, Emmett, and Cameron; and one great-niece, Faith.

David is preceded in death by his parents.

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A Limb has fallen from the family tree.

I keep hearing a voice that says, "Grieve not for me."

Remember the best times, the laughter, the song,

The good life I lived while I was strong.

Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you.

Keep smiling and surely the sun will shine through.

My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest.

Remembering all, how I truly was blessed.

Continue traditions, no matter how small.

Go on with your life, don't worry about falls.

I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin,

Until the day comes we're together again.

In Loving Memory of
David John Martin

Born September 29, 1964 in Grand Rapids, Minnesota

Died September 1, 2024 in Grand Rapids, Minnesota

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Community Presbyterian Church

Grand Rapids, Minnesota

Saturday, September 7, 2024 ~ 11:00 a.m.

Lay Pastor Mary Shideler Officiating

MILITARY HONORS

Grand Rapids Area Veterans Honor Guard

The family of David wishes to thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy and for your presence with them at this service. They invite you to join them for a time of lunch and fellowship in the church following his memorial service.

Arrangements by Rowe Funeral Home and Cremation Services