



# Martin W. Dowling

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**M**artin W. Dowling, 98, passed away on Tuesday, May 6, 2025.

Martin is survived by his wife Celine Dowling; children Michele (Keith) Fitterer, Dennis Dowling, and Patricia (James) Shaffer; grandchildren Chelsea Fitterer, Ashley (Justin) Loftis, Shannon Shaffer, and Meghan Shaffer; great-grandchildren Waylon Loftis, Iris Loftis, and Rowan Franks.

Written by his grandkids:

If you knew our Pap, you knew the energy and light he exuded into the room. He never met anyone he didn't love and there's not one person who didn't feel loved by him. He was our happy guy, our heart and soul, and smile we always strived to see. Pap loved to work - loved to build, woodwork, loved to garden, loved his family and loved his wine. His favorite place was his workshop at the Farm he bought in 1962 where he crafted pieces of his heart for all of us to have forever. The Farm hosted him and his buddies for his weekly card games that he cherished where he laughed about drinking expired coffee and wine! Partier at heart, Pap was full of stories and constant ideas. He always wanted to start new businesses and knew every house and piece of land in Jefferson Borough! You couldn't mention any friends name without him asking if they lived on this Street in this house.

Pap loved his life. His zest for life and constant happiness is something we have always admired and tried to replicate. He pushed us - his four granddaughters - to work hard and to do what makes us happy with a huge emphasis on being ourselves. "Keep smiling! I like when you smile!"

We are so lucky to have had our Pap through so many milestones in our lives including graduations, weddings, and the birth of 3 great grandchildren who he adored. His loss is absolutely immeasurable and will be felt for the rest of our lives but the happiness and love we received was greater. We love you beyond any words we could ever say - don't you dare roll your eyes at us - and we can't wait to see you again and hear you say "HEY HEY USA!"



## Obituary

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Visitation will be held on Thursday, May 8, 2025 from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm at the Jefferson Memorial Funeral Home, 301 Curry Hollow Road, Pittsburgh, 15236. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, May 9 at 10:00 am at Triumph of the Holy Cross Parish, St. Thomas A'Beckett worship site, 139 Gill Hall Road, Jefferson Hills, PA 15025. Burial to follow at Jefferson Memorial Park.

Online condolences may be left at [www.jeffersonmemorial.com](http://www.jeffersonmemorial.com)



# Events


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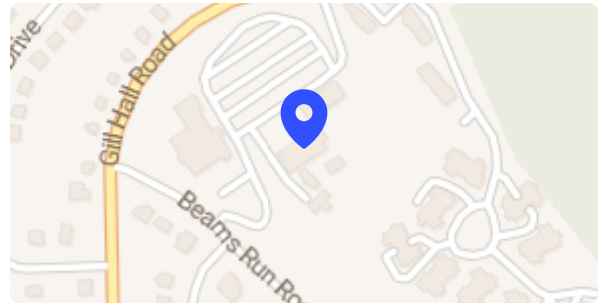
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## Mass of Christian Burial

 **Friday**, May 9, 2025

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **St. Thomas A'Becket Church**  
139 Gill Hall Road, Jefferson Hills PA 15025





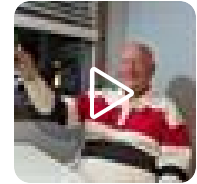
# Tribute Wall

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**Jefferson Memorial Cemetery & Funeral Home** shared a **Video**.

May 8 at 9:25 AM



**Patricia Wadyko ( Neighbor)** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Martin.

May 9 at 2:28 PM



**Danielle O.** sent a Basket of Memories to the Dowling family.

May 8 at 2:18 PM



**Danielle O.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Martin.

May 8 at 2:18 PM



**Judy And Jeff Lochner** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Dowling family.

May 8 at 8:35 AM



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**From The Franks And Mullen Family** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Dowling family.

May 7 at 11:25 PM



**From The Franks And Mullen Family** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Martin.

May 7 at 11:25 PM



**Neighbors Dave And Vonnie Blair** sent a Basket Full of Wishes to the Dowling family.

May 7 at 2:44 PM



**Jill Zeolla** sent a Beautiful Heart Bouquet to the Dowling family.

May 7 at 2:27 PM



**Meghan Shaffer** shared 3 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

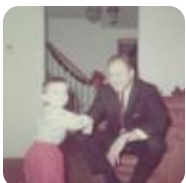
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**Marty Masta** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

My family and I join you in celebrating Marty's life. Many fond memories working alongside him at the barn and trips to "The Igloo" for Penguins games. Rest in peace godfather.

May 7 at 12:52 PM





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GS

**Gail Sanders** lit a candle in honor of Martin.

Our condolences to Uncle Marty's family. We remember some very wonderful family times together. We planted a tree in Uncle Marty's memory to honor his long life, achievements and his commitment to the community. Love, Dave, Gail & Oliver Sanders

May 7 at 11:52 AM



GS

**Gail S.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Martin.

May 7 at 11:37 AM



JD

**Janet & Daniel / Marty & Yvonne Dowling** sent a Beautiful Heart Bouquet to the Dowling family.

May 7 at 10:50 AM



JD

**Janet & Daniel / Marty & Yvonne Dowling** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Martin.

May 7 at 10:50 AM



JW

**Jean Wavle** posted:

So very sorry for your loss. Mr. Dowling was a kind gentleman and an all around nice guy. The best home to own in Jefferson was always a Dowling built home. Thoughts and prayers to the Dowling family 🙏 Jean and John Wavle

May 7 at 10:43 AM

LF

**Love, Bill, Shirley And Family** sent an Arrive in Style to the Dowling family.

May 7 at 9:16 AM







## Tribute Wall

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**Severns** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Dowling family.

May 6 at 9:04 PM





# Media

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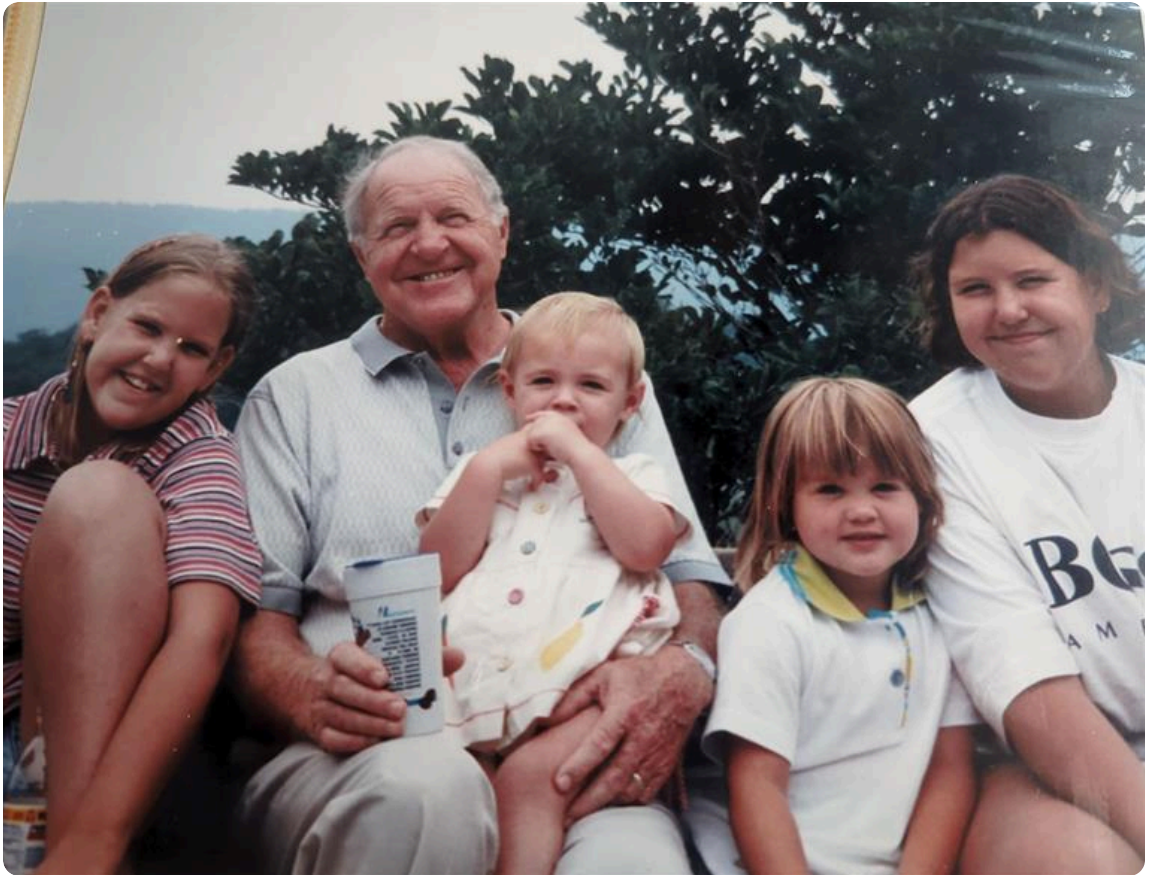
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# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Martin by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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