

Going Home Celebration
for



Mylas (Bobby) Walter Martin, Jr

Sunrise: June 23, 1931

Sunset: August 21, 2018

Sunday, September 23, 2018
12:00 Noon

Pastor Stephen Richardson, Officiating
Pine Forge Seventh-day Adventist Church

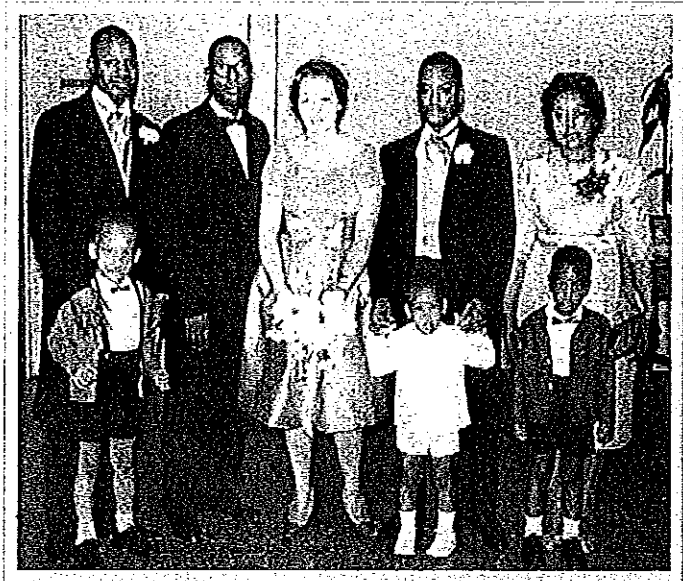
OBITUARY

A Brief Resume Of An Adventist Freedom Fighter

Born to Mylas Walter Martin, Sr. and Louise Helen Greener of Bessemer, Alabama. The first of four sons, three more to follow in succession from the union:

Roy Anthony & Wayne Clovis (recently deceased), and Larry Leon.

In 1936, Mylas Jr.'s parents moved to Cleveland, Ohio, where he attended elementary school and fell in love with books. His mother called him a "book worm". And the family began to call him "Bobby". From there he ventured to Pine Forge Academy, in Pine Forge, Pennsylvania, where he Graduated in 1948 as the Valedictorian of his class.



It was on to Oakwood College, (now Oakwood University), in Huntsville, Alabama, for a brief stay. After a short stay

at Oakwood, Mylas transferred to Adelbert College at Case Reserve Western University in Cleveland, Ohio, then on to Andrews University in Berrian Springs, Michigan where he finally earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree with majors in English and History in 1953.

In 1954, Mylas earned a Master of Arts Degree with a Fellowship in 19th Centry American History from Rackham School of Graduate Studies at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

In the fall of 1954, Mylas became an Instructor of English and Speech and then Dean of Men at Oakwood in 1955. He began pushing and demanding "excellence" from all who came his way.

Mylas had a host of Sweethearts but he never married and put all of his energy into pursuing his dreams and seeking Justice, Equality and Freedom for "all"!

By this time, Mylas was becoming very annoyed with Social Injustice and Inequality in the World, In the USA, In religious institutions and in the World of Seventh Day Adventist.

So he embarks on a never ending journey to show that if you will develop "real" Faith in the God of the Universe and demand "Excellence" in whatever you do, you can rise above, handle and level the playing field of Injustices, and Ignorance that comes your way and you will soar to the "top" and gain your "freedom".

At one point Mylas was called "one of the most compelling, dynamic speakers and presenters on the national business scene". More than 12,500 U.S. "Fortune 500" company executives, managers and employees have attended his meetings, seminars and workshops held across the nation.

In Dallas during the eighties, he opened a three-day management conference with six CEO's from American Airlines, Holiday Inn, Wausau Insurance Corp, Allied Van Lines; Lowes Hotel and Southwest Airlines. He was keynote speaker and conference host for the 20th time in his industry career.

Mylas was a generation ahead of his time in the business area promoting business methodologies that project managers and CEO's now depend on including the ubiquitous "Lean" manufacturing process and "The New Competitiveness" as it effects the US workplace and every American manager and every American worker & the same for Japan. "We are", he would declare, already engaged in World War 11.1 – a multi-level, wide ranging, economic world war, for the first time ever in man's entire history.

Mylas, a college professor & dean of men at age 23, began his career as a graduate fellow in History at the University of Michigan, (Ann Arbor). He next spent twelve years as a General-Assignment Reporter and Feature Writer for Scripps-Howard Newspapers in the Midwest and for the New York Herald Tribune.

Besides writing front page stories, "covering" international political figures including President John F. Kennedy, Nelson Rockefeller, Dag Hammarskjold and others, he was "Second-String Music Critic" for his newspaper reviewing piano recitals, major orchestras and The Metropolitan Opera.

Mylas worked also as a radio and television announcer and briefly was a Shakespearian actor after making his professional stag debut (under the stage name of "Spencer McIntyre"), with Hollywood greats Jean Arthur and Melvyn Douglas.

In 1966, Mylas entered business and industry, first as a freelance writer for the IBM Corporation. He later joined IBM as a speech writer. Then leaving IBM in 1981, he started his own business with numerous "Fortune 500" company executives as clients, coaching top executives in speaking and business presentation, even to the point of teaching them how to pair up their dress colors and hair styles with the message they were presenting. He counselled them on their management development projects and worked with them on their strategic planning, as well as presenting numerous three day "management conferences" for their managers and workers.

During all of this, Mylas did not abandon his animosity, and righteous anger about injustice, inequality, and lack of voice for those not in a position to respond. Where every he could he incorporated these values into his presentations. He also investigated and prepared legal briefs for a myriad of people, and organizations who had been treated unfairly and it came to his attention:

- In the 1960's Mylas took time out for months to prepare issues for upcoming General Conference Sessions.
- In the 1960's Mylas joined up with Dr. Frank Hale & Jessie Jackson to organize Civil Rights Movement Protests in Los Angles, California.
- Mylas worked tirelessly investigating issues and preparing legal briefs in support of Regional Conferences, in regard to unfair treatment in General Conference Retirement plans for the workers.
- Provided unparalled administrative and legal brief support to Allegheny East Conference and Pine Forge Academy, as well as the Columbia Union and NAD.
- Provided vigorous defense and support and prepared legal briefs for Pastors and Workers who had been unfairly treated.



Mylas like Paul has fought a good fight, he has kept the faith, he now awaits his reward. As his Nephew Brian says, "Uncle Bobby, was a man who gave to those he loved without ceasing, he cared without reservation, he believed in you beyond your own vision of yourself, and he nurtured you selflessly".

Mylas leaves too mourn his passing, One Brother Larry Leon Martin of Peekskill, New York.

Seven Nephews – Roy Anthony Martin 11; Kevin E. Martin ; Brian Sedric Martin; Larry Leon Martin 11;Terry L. Martin; Steven Martin ; and Tyler Martin.

Three Nieces – April Clinton; Lydia Martin; and Eva Martin.

One Cousin – Paula Davis Chambers, along with a host of Great Nephews, Nieces, and a countless number of friends, along with a loving extended family- The Avery's.

In remembrance of those who have deceased: Mother – Louise Martin; Father – Mylas Martin, Senior; Brother - Wayne Martin; Nephew – Sean Martin.

Respectively submitted, the Martin Family



The Martin family extends a hearty thanks to those who made this service possible and all other acts of kindness.

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE	Mr. Adrian Westney, Jr
PROCESSION	Platform Guest & Family
PRAYER OF COMFORT	Pastor Steve Richardson
CONGREGATIONAL HYMN	Hymn "Amazing Grace"
SCRIPTURE READING: <i>Old Testament Psalm 121</i> <i>New Testament Revelation 21:1-4</i>	Mr. William Ellis Mr. John Finklea
MUSICAL SELECTION	Mrs. Gloria Singleton
THE VIDEO OF AN ADVENTIST FREEDOM FIGHTER	Mr. Joel Avery
TRIBUTE TO UNCLE BOBBY	Mr. Brian Martin
REFLECTIONS	Pastor Michael Oxentenko Elder Charles Cheatham
MUSICAL SELECTION	Mrs. Gloria Singleton
REFLECTIONS	Elder Henry Fordham, <i>AEC President</i> Elder Alvin Kibble, <i>NAD Vice President</i>
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS	Mrs. Allie Terrell Valentine
OBITUARY	Mrs. Emily Doggette
EULOGY	Pastor T. Marshall Kelly
CLOSING HYMN	Hymn "Fight The Good Fight"
BENEDICTION	Mr. Michael Avery
RECESSION	Platform Guest & Family

Dinner will be served in the Fellowship Hall in the Church

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

Amazing Grace

1 Chron. 17:16, 17

John Newton, 1779 (1725-1807)

1

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me! I once was
lost, but now am found; was blind, but
now I see.

2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to
fear, and grace my fears relieved; how
precious did that grace appear the hour
I first believed.

3

The Lord has promised good to me, his
word my hope secures; he will my
shield and portion be, as long as life
endures.

4

Through many dangers, toils, and
snares, I have already come; 'tis grace
hath brought me safe thus far, and
grace will lead me home.

5

When we've been there ten thousand
years, bright shining as the sun, we've
no less days to sing God's praise than
when we first begun.

Fight the Good Fight

1 Tim. 6:12

John S. B. Monsell (1811 - 1875)

1

Fight the good fight with all thy might;
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy
right;
Lay hold on life and it shall be
Thy joy and crown eternally.

2

Run the straight race through God's
good grace;
Lift up thine eyes, and seek His face.
Life with its path before us lies;
Christ is the way, and Christ the prize.

3

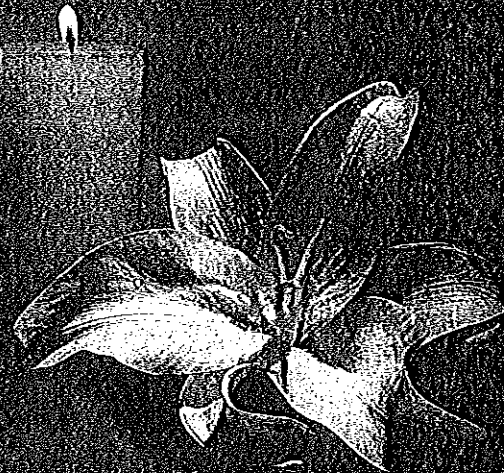
Cast care aside, lean on thy guide,
His boundless mercy will provide;
Trust, and the trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

4

Faint not, nor fear, His arms are near,
He changeth not, and thou art dear.
Only believe, and thou shalt see
That Christ is all in all to thee.

MISS ME – BUT LET ME GO

When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room.
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little—but not too long
And not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that we once shared
Miss me—but let me go.
For this is a journey that we all must take
And each must go alone. It's all a part of the
Master's plan
A step on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick of heart
Go to the friends we know
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds.
Miss Me – But Let me Go!



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