

Dennis Allen Martin

July 15, 1952 ~ July 17, 2021

Dennis Allen Martin, age 69, passed away on Saturday, July 17, 2021, after a three-year battle with early onset Alzheimer's.

Dennis was born in the small town of London, West Virginia, on July 15, 1952. In June of 1971, a month before his 19th birthday, he enlisted and joined the United States Air Force. He had been inspired by his uncles, Nathaniel and Edward who had both served for the U.S. military. Throughout his 30 years of service, Dennis lived and visited many places including Texas, Arizona, New Jersey, Hawaii, Thailand, Korea, Philippines, and Japan.

Dennis retired as a Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force in June of 2001 and relocated with his family to Orlando, Florida to begin his new career as a Project Manager at Walt Disney World. In 2005, he completed a rigorous Master's program and graduated with his MBA from the University of Miami at the age of 53. He later retired from WDW as a Program Manager after sixteen magical years. In the summer of 2019, he relocated to Salt Lake City with his daughter & caretaker, Surya, to enjoy his retirement surrounded by the beautiful Utah mountains.

Dennis loved Asian cuisines, rooting on the Pittsburgh Steelers, coaching Pop Warner Football, taking his family to Disney, learning about world history, and jamming out to R&B. Above all he loved being a father and he always put his family ahead of himself.

Dennis is survived by the family of his eldest son Dennis "Boo" Allen Martin Jr. and wife Christina, their daughters Deja and Maya, and their sons, Victorious, King, Elijah and Ezekiel; the family of his eldest daughter Erica Martin, and her daughter Deaira and son Eric; his second daughter, Lillian "Nikki" Martin and her soon-to-be-born son Nico; his youngest daughter, Surya Martin and his youngest son, Allen Martin.

Services will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, July 31, 2021 at Larkin Mortuary, located at 260 E South Temple, Salt Lake City, UT 84111. His ashes will later be scattered in the mountains of his home state of West Virginia. All are welcome to join in celebrating the life of Dennis Allen Martin.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the Alzheimer's Association.

For those who wish to view a recording of the services, may do so here:
https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/play/9_-TvE35Jr_ftljEAL2WlUPZrP9ee4pflTD4absV4hn_Hr9_Y7gwtRM3TgyEch-0UsTga46v