



## William Leslie Martz

December 15, 1929 - January 30, 2015

William Leslie Martz, 85 of Laurel passed away on Friday January 30, 2015, in Laurel. Les was born on December 15, 1929, in Huntsville, Alabama. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict (1952-1954) and graduated from Auburn University in 1956 with a degree in Electrical Engineering. After moving his family from Ohio, he retired from Howard Industries.

Les was a member of the First-Trinity Presbyterian Church, where he served others and enjoyed being a part of the choir and handbell team. While he was physically able, he enjoyed camping, traveling and volunteering as a 1st Aid/CPR instructor for the American Red Cross.

Preceding him in death were his parents Clyde and Annie Martz. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Dorothy Martz, three children, James "Jim" Martz and wife Charee of Laurel, Elizabeth "Beth" Ivy and husband Charles of Petal, and Susan Nichols and husband Grant of Laurel, four grandchildren Christina Blue and Devon Ivy of Petal, and Matt and Gracie Nichols of Laurel, a sister Doris Wallis of Spartanburg, South Carolina and a brother John Martz of Huntsville, Alabama and a host of nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be 5 to 7 PM Tuesday February 3, 2015 at Memory Chapel. The family would like to thank Jones County Nursing Home and South Central Regional Medical Center 1st west for their excellent care.

Memory Chapel is in charge of services.



# Tribute Wall

MO

“ *Jim, Sorry to hear of your lose. Prayers to you and your family.  
Marty & Jeanne*

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**Marty Ort** - February 05, 2015 at 09:15 AM

JR

“ *I wish you all the greatest comfort during this time of loss. I know  
your husband/father will be greatly missed. God bless you all.  
Jamie Roddey*

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**Jamie Roddey** - February 04, 2015 at 02:46 PM

AC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. We loved Les too.*

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**Ann & John Catron** - February 03, 2015 at 06:05 PM

VG

“ *We have so many fond memories of Les as a part of our church  
family at First-Trinity. He was a valuable church member whose  
participation and presence added so much to our church's ministry.  
We will miss him greatly. Our prayers will be with Dorothy, Jim,  
Beth, Susie, and the rest of the family. May God bless you all. May  
He give you peace and joy. Love, Verniece Goode*

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**Verniece Goode** - February 03, 2015 at 05:48 PM

AB

“ I'm so sorry to hear about Les passing away. I have many fond memories of working with him at Howard Industries, as well as the church.  
I especially appreciated how he called me periodically once I moved to Charlotte.  
My prayers are with Dorothy, Beth and Susie.

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**Adrian Boyd** - February 03, 2015 at 10:26 AM

RH

“ We are so sorry to hear about Les. We had many good years at Howard together. I am sorry to say that Cathy and I are out of town and will not be able to visit with you. Know that you are in our prayers.

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**Rich & Cathy Hollingsworth** - February 02, 2015 at 06:54 PM

MS

“ Dear Dot and family, Know that you and yours are in our thoughts and prayers at this sad time. Please accept our deepest sympathies. Mary Ann & Ron, Andrea & Chris Elder, & Paul Stahara

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**Mary Ann & Ronald J Stahara** - February 02, 2015 at 03:31 PM

CC

“ I am sorry to hear about the passing of Les. I worked with Les and Bill Bovenizer at McGraw Edison in Zanesville, Ohio. Those were very memorable years for me working along side Les and Bovie on Voltage Regulators. I am still involved with Voltage Regulators after 41 years now with EATON. May God give you his peace knowing Les is with Him in Heaven. Kind Regards, Craig Colopy

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**Craig A Colopy** - February 02, 2015 at 09:38 AM

MH

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. Praying for all of you during this time.* ”

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**Martha Kay Holifield** - February 01, 2015 at 06:41 PM