



Phyllis Smith Martin

May 29, 1935 - October 16, 2025

Phyllis Smith Martin, a resident of LaPlace, passed away peacefully at home on October 16, 2025, at the age of 90.

She was the beloved wife of Larry Martin Sr. for 69 years. Loving mother and mother-in-law of JoAnn Jones (Wayne), Cindy Martin, Patricia Martin (Eugene), Larry Martin Jr. (Wendy) and Michelle Jensen (Paul). Grandmother of Stacy Tribe (Paul), Kelly Arnett (Willie), Dustin Braud (Katherine), Jamie Fontenot (Adam), Paige Falgoust (Dexter), Larry Martin III (Jasmine), Jacob, Jordan, Jackson and Joshua Jensen. She was also the great-grandmother of Ian, Adrienne, and Emelyn Arnett, Colston and Landon Tribe, Blaze and Jolie Falgoust, and John Paul and Shepard Fontenot. She was the daughter of the late Allen and Solange Smith of Reserve, LA.

Phyllis was a 1953 graduate of Leon Godchaux High School where she reigned as homecoming queen, played basketball, and took pride in her role as a majorette. Her dream of having a family began shortly after getting married where she devoted herself to caring for her children and grandchildren, cooking meals, and sharing her kindness throughout the community. She was a social butterfly who enjoyed Carnival Season, LARAYO, Merry Mothers Club, crafting, the casino, volunteering and visiting friends. Her door was always open to welcome you in and if she wasn't in the kitchen, she was running the roads for her family or cheering at baseball games and poolside at swim meets.

Her birthday songs, phone calls, and love will be missed by many, but she will rest in peace and will be reunited with her husband, Larry and those who have gone before her.

The family would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to their dedicated caregivers Sandy Watkins, Kina Watkins, April Accomando and the staff at Notre Dame Hospice.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Visitation and Funeral Mass on Monday, October 20, 2025, at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church. Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., with a Funeral Mass at 12:00 p.m. Burial will immediately follow the

services at St. Peter Catholic Cemetery.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **20**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church
529 W. 5th St.
LaPlace, LA 70068

Funeral Mass

OCT **20**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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529 W. 5th St.
LaPlace, LA 70068

Tribute Wall

SJ

“ Ms. Phylis’s heart love for her family was abundant, she kept everyone on their toes, she was a sweet loving person & friend to all. May she rest in peace with her love of her life, Mr. Larry



Sheri H Jenkins - November 02, 2025 at 09:45 AM

NZ

“ Nancy and Zeb purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Phyllis Smith Martin.



Nancy and Zeb - October 18, 2025 at 03:11 PM

NZ

“ Nancy and Zeb planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Phyllis Smith Martin.

Nancy and Zeb - October 18, 2025 at 03:11 PM

DP

“ David P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Phyllis Smith Martin.

David P. - October 18, 2025 at 01:06 PM

TW

“ Todd & Cindy Wintters purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Phyllis Smith Martin.



Todd & Cindy Wintters - October 18, 2025 at 12:41 PM

MM

“ Mark, LeighAnn Medcalf purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Phyllis Smith Martin.



Mark, LeighAnn Medcalf - October 18, 2025 at 11:59 AM

MM

“ Mark, LeighAnn Medcalf planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Phyllis Smith Martin.

Mark, LeighAnn Medcalf - October 18, 2025 at 11:59 AM

JB

“ James and Cathy Boucvalt purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Phyllis Smith Martin.



James and Cathy Boucvalt - October 18, 2025 at 11:10 AM

JB

“ James and Cathy Boucvalt planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Phyllis Smith Martin.

James and Cathy Boucvalt - October 18, 2025 at 11:10 AM

CH

“ Chris & Penny Harp purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Phyllis Smith Martin.



Chris & Penny Harp - October 18, 2025 at 10:20 AM

CH

“ Chris & Penny Harp planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Phyllis Smith Martin.

Chris & Penny Harp - October 18, 2025 at 10:20 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Phyllis Smith Martin.*



October 17, 2025 at 10:59 PM

VH

“ *My deep symphaties to all the family. RIP, my dear friend until we meet again.*



Viola Hymel - October 17, 2025 at 10:44 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phyllis Smith Martin.*



October 17, 2025 at 05:50 PM

PF

“ *Pauline Ardoin & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Phyllis Smith Martin.*

Pauline Ardoin & family - October 17, 2025 at 05:50 PM