

Marvin L. Martin, 84

Marvin L. Martin, 84, of Ohio and formerly of Montezuma, passed away Monday, Feb. 4, 2008, at Mercy Hospital-Anderson, Cincinnati, Ohio, from a short illness.

Marvin Lloyd Martin was born Nov. 23, 1923, at Montezuma, the oldest child of Nettie Marie and Jesse Warren Martin. He attended Montezuma Public School. His instrument was the violin which he played in the high school orchestra. He also wanted to be in the band, so he learned the sousaphone. After graduation in 1941, he moved to California and found work with Douglas Aircraft at Long Beach.

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In 1942, he met Floriene Meleese Gist, a beautician, from Missouri who had moved to California. In March of 1943, he went into the Army and served with the 355th Infantry, attached to the Third Army, in the European Theatre of Operations. He was decorated with a Victory ribbon, American Theatre ribbon, European African Middle Eastern Theatre ribbon with two Bronze Stars, A Gold Conduct Medal and two overseas bars.

On June 11, 1943, he and Floriene were married at Long Beach. To this union came two children, son Marvin L. Martin II and daughter Janece G. Martin.

Marvin furthered his education by attending night school to become a certi-

fied public account and also attending Southwestern University Law School. He worked for the Treasury Department for the next 35 years and he and his family lived in Detroit, Mich.; Huntington, W. Va. and Cincinnati, Ohio. He retired as Chief of Appellate Branch Office in Cincinnati. He then began working for a local Cincinnati law firm as a tax attorney. He and Floriene were also involved with square and round dancing in the Greater Cincinnati area for 20 years.

Marvin was a member of the Methodist Church and was actively involved at the Lakewood Community Methodist Church, Lakewood, Calif., serving as treasurer and helping with their expansion and remodeling project. He was a member of Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church in Grosse Pointe, Mich.; Huntington United Methodist Church in Huntington, W. Va., and was a member of Anderson Hills United Methodist Church.

Marvin is survived by his wife of 64 years, Floriene; one son, M. Lloyd Martin II and wife Elaine of Colorado; one daughter, Janece G. and husband Dennis Heis of Cincinnati; one grandson, Eric, of Colorado, and one younger sister, Macel Berry of California.

He was preceded in death by a younger brother, Ival Martin.