



## Terry D. Martens

April 26, 1943 - March 11, 2021

Terry was born in Bellingham, WA on April 26, 1943 to Wesley and May (Stevens) Martens. After graduating from Bellingham High School, he received certificates in electrical, welding, and crane operating and eventually became a Certified Master Electrician. In 1960, Terry started work in the family business at Martens Northwest Display on State Street. After his father passed in 1985, Terry became the president of the Corporation until his retirement in 2004. He was married to Ramona Diane Carr in Bellingham in 1966.

An avid outdoorsman and adventurer, Terry enjoyed a multitude of hobbies including reef net fishing off Lummi Island, scuba diving, skydiving, flying his own airplane, and traveling. He also played the sax in several rock n' roll bands throughout the 50's & 60's and played alongside Ray Charles and Jerry Lee Lewis when they visited the Seattle area. He was a member of NESAs (National Electric Sign Association), Bellingham North Rotary Club, and served on the Board of Adjustment for the City of Bellingham.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Ramona Diane Martens; son, Bryan Martens; daughter, Molly (Damon) Miller; siblings, Wayne (Joanna) Martens, and Patty (Al) Matter; grandchildren, Kai (Nica) Martens and Jade (Kaleb) Owen, and Trent and Caden Miller; great-grandchildren, Blake Owen and Solaire Martens; nieces and nephews, Matt, Blake and Stacy Martens, and

Randy, Tammy, and Colleen Carr.

Terry will be laid to rest at Greenacres Memorial Park in Ferndale, WA.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Ramona and family – sorry to see this news – I used to babysit for Terry and Patty a long time ago – My parents and Terry’s parents were best friends in Custer – Dad also fished with Wes, Terry’s Dad in those days . I was so happy to read about Terry’s life – that he enjoyed many things and had a wonderful life with you and his children. May happy memories help you through this difficult time – God Bless*  
*Trudi Hendricks Norquist*  
*Custer*

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**trudi norquist** - March 25, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dear Ramona, Sadden after reading the passing notice of Terry. Terry and I were class*

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**Gale Park Frederick** - March 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Ramona and Family, sorry to hear about Terry’s passing. H*

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**Willie Ziebell** - March 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM