



## Mr. Arnold G. Martens

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Born in Davenport, Iowa to Herman and Frieda Martens. He married Doris Lee Seabold

in 1949, eventually moving the family to Southern California 1955. He is survived by

his wife, Doris, sisters Betty Hepner and Darlene Norton, Children Linda Bergen, Debra

Nicol, Kathy Furr, Robert Martens, and 8 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. He

was preceded in death by brothers Carl Martens, Roland Martens, Erwin Martens and

sister Leanna Bundy.

Arnie and family lived until 1994 in Azusa where he worked in Temple City doing what he

loved, working on cars. They moved to Tehachapi in 1994 to their dream retirement

home and lived there until 2005, when they relocated to Sun City Shadow Hills in Indio, CA.

A memorial is planned for February 2, 2013 at 12 P.M. at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse in Sun City Shadow Hills.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Arnold G. Martens*

October 05, 2023 at 09:38 PM



“ *9 years since you left us, and every year that passes is still difficult. You were the best Dad with the kindest heart, and biggest smile. I often think of the house in Tehachapi, and how much fun we all had up there. You were so proud of all of the work you did to make that place such a great home. The place all of the kids loved and still talk about. So many great memories! I will always miss you until we are all together again. Love you Dad!*

Kathy Furr - January 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM



“ *It is so hard to believe it has already been 8 years since you left us. I miss you still every day. The past few week have been a difficult time for us and it reminds me of how short life is. How we all need to live every day to the fullest. To cherish our children, and grand children. You would be so proud of all of your grand children, and great grand children. They are all so smart and caring. You were always there for us kids growing up with your kind manner and sparkling blue eyes. I cannot remember a day where you ever lost your temper, though you had plenty of reasons to do so. You would always find time to help us kids even after we left home. The best mechanic ever! The best Dad ever! I hope you are at peace watching baseball, drinking beer, and visiting with old friends and family. Some day we will all be together again, until then Love you Dad!*

Kathy Furr - January 16, 2021 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *Dad:Just thinking about you today, and missing you.Love Kathy*

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**Kathy Furr** - May 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ *Being the youngest grand kid, I may have not been able to spend as much time as everyone else did with him, but that doesn't mean I didn't cherish every moment I spent with my Grandpa Arnie.*

*I remember when I was a sophomore in high school, I was playing on the JV softball team and he and my grandma drove down to Arizona to watch me play. I was so excited for them to come to a couple of games, but unfortunately my coach wasn't very fond of me so the first day they showed up, I didn't get to play. I was really upset because they had driven all that way and I just wanted to make them proud. The next day, my school was playing another team, and I finally stepped out onto that field a few innings in and I look over to see my grandpa, crying because he was so happy, and beaming at me, with the biggest smile on his face.*

*I'm am also so grateful that he was able to make it to my high school graduation, it meant so much to me for him to be there. My grandpa was the sweetest, grumpiest, old man I knew, but he loved me very much, just as I love him. I miss him so much and I hope that he'll be proud of me still in all that I do, just like he always has been.*

*I love you grandpa. Rest in peace.*

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**Lindsey Furr** - February 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Until today I haven't had the strength to write this,as I miss Dad so much. I have such great memories of our camping/ fishing trips to Lake Cachuma and how we thought catching those big gold fish were really something special.How Dad always managed to make doing yard work fun somehow. Yes, ,Jade I was out there before you were. Also, of the trip we took to Mexico in the motorhome when Dad decided to drive out on the sand and we got stuck. The girls were so embarrassed, but still managed to have a great time ( Deb with her broken toe ,and all).

Of all the trips we took driving back to Iowa, and how it always seemed like such a fun time,even when it was so hot and sticky. It was hard to watch as Dad seemed to slow down over the past years ,and just stitting around I knew he really wasn't happy. Even though for us it will be hard with him gone, I know in my heart he is in a better place and is watching over us all with his great bright blue eyes ,and smile.

*In my heart forever,love Kathy (the cute one).*

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**Kathy Furr** - February 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ I will always remember my sweet Arny with the fondest of memories.

*When The Martens walked into "El Mexicali cafe II" It made me feel so special to request to sit at my station, I remember he always asked for two soft tacos (one chicken and one shredded beef) and his Dos X beer or a blended margarita.*

*No matter how busy I was, I loved to take time and chat with them. I remember two years ago I was so proud to get a very nice Christmas card and a very generous bonus too. But the words they wrote on it it almost made me cry because it said that they thought of me as part of their family; I was soooo proud show it to my bosses and coworkers and my wife. In all reality they do make me feel as if I am one of them.*

*Arny always gave me a kiss on each chick when he came into the restaurant and before he left, I am going to miss that.*

*Arny was a very special man. I am truly going to miss him -Armando*

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**ARMANDO R. REYES** - January 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Dear Debra, Doris and family,

*Our deepest sympathy on your loss. He was always a good guy and fun to visit with, even if it was while trying to fix a tree at Deb's house.*

*We are so sorry.*

*Dan and Mary Ellen*

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**Dan & MaryEllen Stocking** - January 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ ARNIE MADE ARE FAMILY REUNIONS FUN  
ARNIE WAS SO INTERESTING TO TALK TOO  
ARNIE WAS A GREAT HORSESHOE PARTNER

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**DOUG MARTENS** - January 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Dear Doris, Linda, Debbie, Kathy, Robbie & family,

*My heart and prayers go out to all of you.*

*Arnie enjoyed being with family and friends, he had a kind, soft heart and a great smile that always made you feel welcomed. He loved to sit and talk, and yes, his beer, too. Arnie, this "Bud's" for you.....rest in peace!*

*Doris, you have always been the caretaker, now , it's your time to take care of yourself. Stay well and keep the faith!*

*Love & Hugs,*

*Maddie*

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**Maddie Seabold** - January 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Many times I popped by the house on Corte Jalisco to find Arnie sitting in his favorite chair; sometimes he'd have a puzzle he was working on, and other times he'd have a beer he was working on. What stands out to me, though, was the time I shared meals with Arnie when Doris had to be out of town. Since I was working part time, I didn't have much time to cook, so I went over to El Pollo Loco and got us some chicken, tortillas, Salsa, salad, and beans. Well, you'd think I'd slaved over the hot stove all day; he was so pleased with the dinner. He was so cheerful and sweet about it all. I know he was missing Doris, but he knew she needed to be with her brother, so he just made the best of it. Doris, you are such a dear, and caring friend; I'm feeling your sorrow, and I hope you won't hesitate to call me when you need someone to laugh at or need a little distraction. None of us wanted to see Arnie suffer, so I'm relieved that he didn't have a long lingering illness. Now I just want to see you take care of yourself as you are dearly loved by so many. We want you around a long time. Love, Carol DeRossett

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Carol DeRossett - January 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM