



Martin Collins, Jr.

March 31, 1944 - February 5, 2025

Martin Collins, Jr., 80, passed away on Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at his daughter's residence surrounded by his loving family.

Born Friday, March 31, 1944 in Staten Island, New York, he was the son of the late Martin Collins, Sr. and the late Edwina Collins.

He was the beloved husband of 56 years to Geraldine Collins. Loving father to Martin Collins, III and Stacey Collins. He is also survived by his loving fur baby, Hope and leaves behind his late fur babies, Bailey, Nelope and Leo. Martin was also survived by a brother and his late sister, Gail Daloia.

Marty was known to live every moment of life to its fullest, with no regrets. He had a life of the party mentality. Always laughing, and smiling.

He was a member of the Army National Guard, and later joined the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 3. He also owned and operated a liquor store with his brother-in-law, and later opened a delicatessen that his wife and children helped operate. He enjoyed trying out new endeavors, and wasn't afraid of failure.

In his pastime, Marty had a love for being out on the open water. Whether out on his boat just cruising, participating in annual fishing tournaments, or fishing

off the beaches in CapeCod with friends, fishing was in his blood. He also enjoyed playing golf, crabbing, gambling, hanging out with friends at the pub, cruising around in his 69' vet, and spending time in the country at his daughter's farm helping out with the horses and goats.

Marty found light in the darkest corners, even with the diagnosis of cancer, he was determined to stay positive and face the disease head on. His positive outlook was inspiring to others. He had a smile and a laugh that lit up the room. He was outgoing, and always there to help anyone in need. His circle of friends was endless. He seemed to know someone everywhere he went, no matter how far from home.

Marty will be missed deeply by his family and friends, but his memory will live on in those who were blessed to have him in their life.

The family will receive friends from 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 8, 2025, at the John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals, Inc., 28 Eltingville Blvd. (at Eltingville Station), Staten Island, New York.

A Funeral Service will be at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 8, 2025 at the Funeral Home. Cremation will be private.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 8. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

The John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals, Inc.
28 Eltingville Blvd. (at Eltingville Station)
Staten Island, NY 10312

Service

FEB 8. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Martin Collins, Jr.



John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc. - February 07, 2025 at 01:14 PM

GA

I'm so sad to hear of Marty's passing. He was a wonderful person and much more than an uncle to my children. He was like a grandfather to them. He will be remembered for his loving patience, grace and endearing soul. Rest In Peace Dearest Uncle! My sincerest condolences to his Loving Wife Gerri and family.
Gale M.

Gale - February 08, 2025 at 06:37 PM

MC

Thank you Gale. Love Marty and Family. xoxo

Martin "Marty" Collins - February 09, 2025 at 03:10 AM

ST

“ Stacey lit a candle in memory of Martin Collins, Jr.



Stacey - February 05 at 02:31 PM

ST

“ Dear Dad,

So much has happened over this last year.

Hope has kept me busy. She's gotten so big. I wish you had the chance to spend more time with her. She would have drove you nuts, but I also know you would have been laughing the entire time. Lets just say she is a special pup! ❤️

We were also adopted by a stray momma cat that trusted us with her three kittens. They are quite enteraining! But somehow I think you know all about them.....because they arrived the moment you left.

Don't worry the goats they get "Grandpa-crackers" everyday. And the rest of the furbabies are doing well.

Oh, and the vet is safe inside, and we go for a cruise when the weather is nice.

I miss you more and more each day, but I know you are close by.

*I Love You Dad,
Love Always
Stacey*



Stacey - February 05 at 02:29 PM

DS

So beautiful., dad knew how much you loved him! Love you cousin Donna

Donna Sica - February 05 at 10:07 PM

TA

“ *Our Deepest Sympathy To You Marty & Your Family Of The Passing Of Your Dad, May He Rest In Peace* ❤️

Theresa Alvear - February 07, 2025 at 10:54 PM

MC

Thank you Terry. Love Marty and Family xoxo

Martin “Marty” Collins - February 09, 2025 at 03:07 AM



“ *90 files added to the album Life Tributes*



John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc. - February 07, 2025 at 01:12 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Martin Collins, Jr..*



February 07, 2025 at 12:49 PM