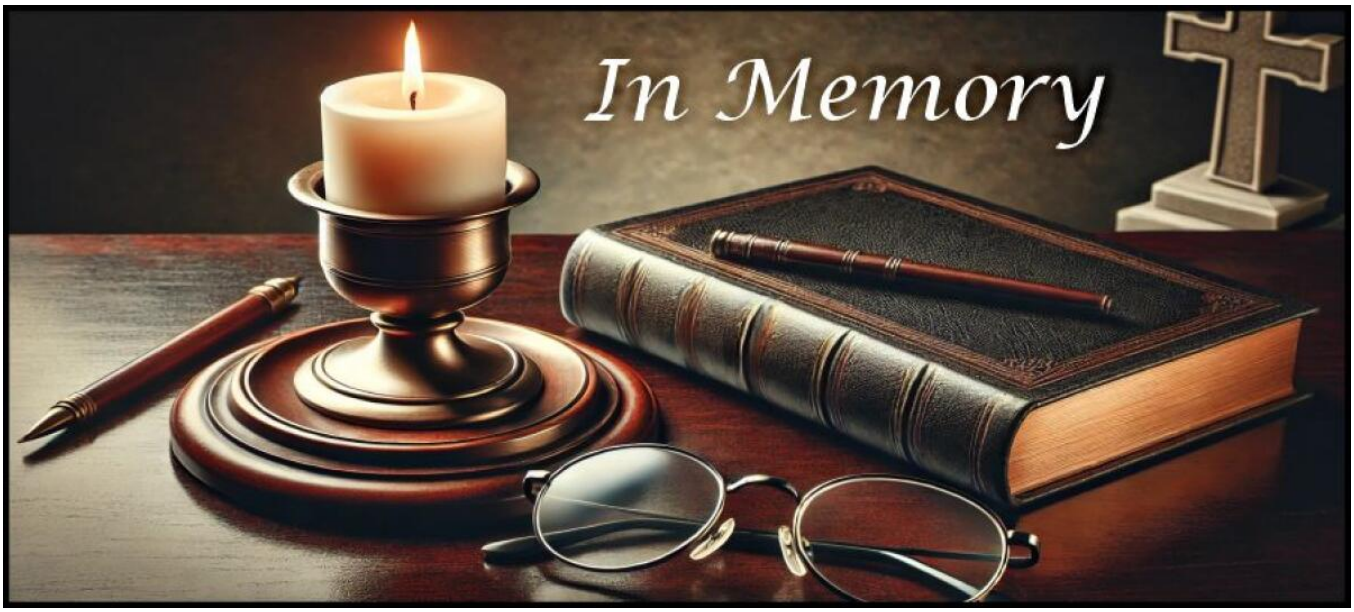


Martin “Marty” Franklin Little!

Martin “Marty” Franklin Little, 71, of Sherrills Ford, passed away on Monday, March 3, 2025 at Catawba Valley Medical Center. He was born November 5, 1953 in Catawba County to the late Martin Franklin Little and Clara Black Little. Marty attended Olivet Baptist Church in Catawba and was a proud member of the Maiden Sportsman's Club. He enjoyed golf, fishing with his son Marc, and cruising Lake Norman on his pontoon boat. Marty cherished his annual trips to Aruba with friends and had a lifelong passion for football, a love that began during his days on the field at Virginia Tech. But above all, his greatest joy was being the best ‘Daddaw’ there ever was.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his mother-in-law, Dot Lineberger.

Those left to cherish his memory are;

Wife of 47 years: Susan Little of the home

Son: Marcus Franklin Little of Sherrills Ford

Daughter: LeeAnn Little and husband Matthew Miller of Denver

Sister: Jane Carter-Eason of Garden City

Grandchildren: Silas Little, Noah Little, Hank Miller, and Margo Miller

Mother of Silas and Noah: Sara Hilton

Nephew: David Carter

Niece: Leslie Carter-Parks

A memorial service to celebrate Marty’s life will be held on Sunday, March 16, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. at Olivet Baptist Church in Catawba. Rev. Matt Rummage will officiate. The family will receive friends prior to the service from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m. at Olivet Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Shriners Children's Hospital, 950 W. Faris Rd., Greenville, SC 29605.

The little family is in the care of Bennett Funeral Service of Newton, 828-465-2111