



## Earl Martin

November 28, 2008

Earl Martin, Jr. of Myerstown, PA, went to be with the Lord on November 28, 2008, at the age of 87 years. He died of natural causes at the home of his son at 50 Green Pastures Lane, Mifflin, PA. Born on January 25, 1921 in Hagerstown, MD, he was the son of the late J. D. Earl and Edna Grace (Cunningham) Martin. He was the faithful and loving husband of the late Mary Louise (Shank) Martin for over 57 years. He was the supportive father of four children: Gwen, wife of David Witmer, Reamstown, PA; Dennis, married to Jeanne (Hess), of Myerstown, PA; Don, married to Mildred (McGrath), of Mifflin, PA; and Rhoda, wife of Eugene Martin, Ephrata, PA. He greatly enjoyed his 23 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren; he is also survived by two sisters, Margaret Gehman and Betty Marie Kniss, both of Harrisonburg, VA.. He was also preceded in death by an infant daughter and a brother, Donald Martin of Hagerstown, MD. A carpenter by trade and a beloved friend to all, Earl was a member of Swatara Mennonite Church. Grandpa Martin, who lived his faith in daily life, was an example and encouragement to his whole family and a blessing to many. Viewing will be Tuesday, December 2 at Swatara Mennonite Church, 10 Swatara Rd, (Route 645) Myerstown, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. and from 9:00-10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 3, preceding the funeral service at 10:00 a.m. also at Swatara Mennonite Church. Interment to follow at Meckville Mennonite Church Cemetery. Kreamer & Lum Funeral Home & Crematory, Jonestown is in charge of the arrangements. [www.kreamerlumfh.com](http://www.kreamerlumfh.com)

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“ MY SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY. I READ THE OBITUARY WITH INTEREST AND ALSO BROUGHT BACK MEMORIES OF J.D EARL MARTIN AND HIS WIFE EDNA GRACE VISITING MY GRANDPARENTS. EDNA GRACE CUNNINGHAM MARTIN WAS MY GRANDFATHERS SISTER. MY GRANDPARENTS LIVED IN CEARFOSS WHICH WAS ALSO MY BIRTHPLACE AND HOME UNTIL 1960. I DO NOT REMEMBER EARL MARTIN JR. BUT WE DID VISIT DONALD AT THE RESIDENCE NEXT TO THE MILL IN REID AND HE FURNISHED US (BRADSHAW) PUMPKINS FOR PIES. AGAIN MY LOVE GOES TO THE FAMILY.

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**C. Richard Grimm** - December 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM