



Martha Cain Robuck

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Martha Robuck passed away peacefully in the early morning hours of May 26, 2024. She is survived by her husband Greg, her stepson Spencer of Denton, Texas, her son Mead (wife Mckenzie) of Dallas, Texas, her daughter Kelsey of Dallas, Texas, and her brother Bernest H. Cain of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, her brother David L. Cain of San Antonio, Texas, and her sister Bernetta C. Haden of San Antonio, Texas.

Martha was born April 21, 1962, in Harrison, Arkansas, to Bernest Houston Cain and Helen Faye (Evans) Cain. In 1968, Bernest moved his family to San Antonio, and took a calling as a Baptist minister at a new church, where he helped many people during his ministry (41 years total). That summer, as a preschooler, Martha visited the Hemisfair, where she saw LBJ and Lady Bird. Later, at age 13, Martha applied for a part time job at the Bealls Department store near her home. She was offered \$2 an hour to fold clothes, which she gladly accepted, and thus began her lifelong career in retail merchandising. She then moved to Dillard's, working there after school at McCollum High School in San Antonio. She attended college at St Mary's University in San Antonio, and graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Marketing Management. She joined JC Penney in Dallas as a junior buyer. She went on to work at National Spirit Group (cheerleading) and Harold's Stores (men's clothing).

Martha was patriotic. In 2007, after declining a job offer from Haggard Clothing Company, she joined the Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) in Dallas, Texas. She was a dedicated and respected leader there for 16 years, serving our military members and their families, wherever they go, at over 500 locations worldwide. In 2001, she became a vice president, and was ranked as the civilian equivalent of a 1-star general. Martha was an honest, caring, and passionate employee, and will be missed by countless associates and friends at the Exchange and beyond.

Greg and Martha met at a Christmas party at a boxing club. They married on February 29, 1992 (Leap Year Day), and were married 32 years, with 8 anniversaries. In 2001, she and Greg joined Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, where she was proud to serve two terms on the vestry.



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Throughout her busy life, she always had unbridled love for her family, even during her long fight with breast cancer. Her family was her whole world, and she was the glue that held it all together. She enjoyed being a mother to their 3 children more than anything in life. She and Greg were heavily involved in their swim meets, triathlons, soccer games, Scouts, church events and more. Martha had an unwavering passion to support her community, including many volunteer projects, especially in the fight to end breast cancer.

Martha was a very special person, the kind we all meet only a few times in life. She only knew two types of people – friends, and those she had not met. She had a magnetic personality. She always greeted people with a warm, gracious smile, and a soft handshake. Her contagious laugh would light up the room. Her commitment to making other people's lives happier was evident in all that she did. She will be profoundly missed by all those who had the privilege of knowing her.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in Dallas, Texas.




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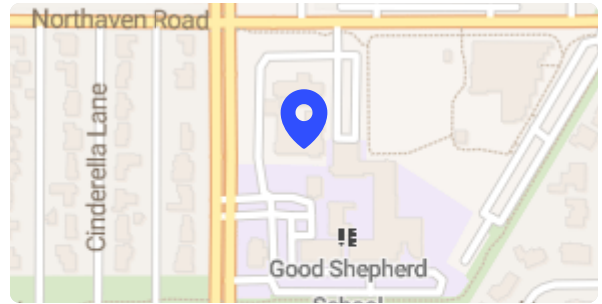
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Memorial Celebration of Life Service

 **Monday**, June 10, 2024

 11:00 AM CT

 **The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd**
11122 Midway Rd, Dallas, TX 75229





Tribute Wall

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LA

Lakisha lit a candle in honor of Martha.

My heart filled condolences go out to the family. I will forever remember Martha. I have had several moments with her in a room and I will never forget her positive energy. All I can say is she was "real" and she made me feel like she saw me, she heard me and whatever I had to say it was important. Martha has earned her wings for sure.

July 2 at 5:47 AM



AN

K lit a candle in honor of Martha.

Condolances to her family. Sorry for you loss! I only meet her once and she was very nice and kind lady. She did make you feel important and heard. May she RIP Prayers for her family and friends

July 1 at 11:10 PM



RF

Ruth Freeman posted:

Ms. Martha was a constant source of support and guidance; I will never forget her unwavering kindness! always available to go above and beyond to help. Thank you for being a shining example of great leadership and genuine care... Ms. Martha, your dedication, expertise, and spirit will continue to motivate us to excel! You will be remembered fondly and cherished always! Thank you, Ma'am.

July 1 at 12:28 PM

EK

Emesha Clifton (Knight) lit a candle in honor of Martha.

Always a bright light that shined so effortlessly. I never worked with her, but her presence was always warm and inviting. Sending prayers and my deepest condolences to the family.

July 1 at 9:27 AM





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CH

Chiletha Harmon lit a candle in honor of Martha.

Heaven has gained the sweetest of angels. Martha was such a bright and cheerful person with the warmest smile. Prayers of peace and comfort to her family, friends, and all who had the pleasure of knowing her. She will forever live in our hearts. 🙏🕊️📖

June 11 at 2:42 PM



TW

Tiffany White lit a candle in honor of Martha.

Tiffany White lit a candle in memory of Martha Robuck

June 11 at 10:31 AM



NA

Nora Ayala lit a candle in honor of Martha.

My husband and I knew Martha, during our HS years at McCollum. Martha was always cheerful, caring and confident. Her smile was always the first thing you would see and appreciate. We were blessed to see Martha, one last time in October 2023, at our 43rd HS reunion. She brought that beautiful smile and hugged us a little tighter. RIP sweet Martha. Love Ralph and Nora Ayala

June 10 at 2:18 PM



BR

Beth Ramage shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Martha is one of my oldest and dearest friends, and I will miss her. Her commitment to those she loved has been a gift I have enjoyed since I've known her. There is not a memory since college that doesn't have Martha's sweet smile in the group! Friend, guide, leader, inspiration (designated driver.)I love you Martha.

June 10 at 4:14 AM

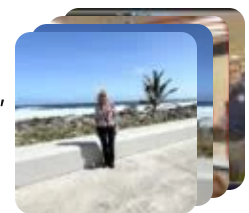


MC

Marissa Carpenter shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

To work with Martha was a blessing. She was a terrific leader, businesswoman, mentor and friend. She led courageously and loved fiercely. From sharing stories about her family, to being the life of the party- her smile and humor would brighten any day. I will miss her deeply.

June 5 at 6:43 AM





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Scott Smith posted:

Martha was an amazing leader, friend and human. She knew everyone, was so smart and approachable. She was always honest and direct with an extra dash of kindness. She will be missed by many and I am so grateful for the time I worked with her. Love and prayers to her and the family. Scott Smith

June 8 at 3:37 PM



Mary Farrell posted:

To the Robuck Family, To me Martha was a gift. She was a mentor and friend. She lived unabashedly. She was a woman of principle and shared her views frankly. I loved and appreciated her as a friend. Thank you for sharing her. Love to the Robuck Family, Mary and Mark Farrell

June 8 at 6:37 AM



Diana Turgut shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

It was an honor to work for Martha in PAR and buying over the years. Martha taught us all so much. She always walked the talk and was such a pleasure to be around. She will be missed tremendously. My condolences to the Robuck family. 🧑‍🤝‍🧑❤️



June 7 at 5:09 PM



Tamara Loonam posted:

Comfort, peace and love to the Robuck family. Martha was easy to love. It is true that she never met a stranger. She was a beautiful, kind soul and is filling heaven with her joy. I'll see you again my friend, you are missed.

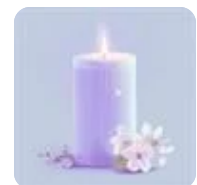
June 7 at 12:20 PM



Renee M. Clark lit a candle in honor of Martha.

Renee M. Clark lit a candle in memory of Martha Robuck

June 7 at 8:06 AM



MB Melody Butler June 8 at 1:56 AM

So very saddened to hear this. We send our condolences. Mitch & Melody Butler



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TJ

Terri James lit a candle in honor of Martha.

My deepest condolences to the Robuck family. You are in my prayers.

June 6 at 7:16 PM



AH

Alexandra Harper posted:

If I had to describe Martha in one word it would be "joy". She took the time to walk around to every cubicle and say hi and helped to start my morning off on countless occasions with a laugh. She listened, she cared, and she was the example of the type of leader I strive to be both in work ethic but also how she interacted and cared for her team. I am lifting her family up in prayers of comfort and peace. She was truly a light that will be greatly missed.

June 6 at 4:22 PM

RA

Rhonda Allen posted:

Jesus, I pray for this grieving family. I pray that you would comfort them with the comfort you give. I pray that you would send supportive people into their life, so they know that they don't have to carry this burden alone. But mostly, I pray that they sense your presence. Help them to meditate on what is true. Help them to know that you are God and you care deeply for them. So much, that you are saving each little tear they shed. I pray this in Jesus' precious and holy name. I am so sorry for your loss. Please accept my condolences Rhonda

June 6 at 1:38 PM



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Umesh Rajagopal posted:

Hugs to the Robuck family and all her friends. I was privileged to have met and worked with Martha when she joined AAFES. Being in the Merchandising Support Team, I was able to interact quite a bit with her as well as her team. What stood out was not so much her knowledge of the softlines categories and other things like Excel, etc...yes she was very good at those but was always interested in us as people first...she'd ask how we were, and if we were a bit down, she'd always encourage us to talk. As much as I appreciated that, I would appreciate it even more in 2016 when I had a heart attack at work. While being taken out, I saw her in the cafeteria and we waved at each other...after I returned about a month later, we ran into each other and she didn't say a word about work...she asked how I was, said she'd heard I had a heart attack whereupon I told her I had...because she was so easy to talk to, I also said I'd taken an extra week off and was working part days because I was surprised how debilitating the experience was...that's when she told me I did the right thing as she was a cancer survivor herself...still remember her giving me a hug and telling me I did the right thing, especially for my family...she was glad I was going to rehab, checkups as she was too...and in talking she asked how old I was and I told her I turned 53 that April...that's when she chuckled and smiled and said, "Oh wow, we were in high school at the same time, you're only a year younger than me, I turned 54 in April too". So it's as the statement goes "People don't remember what you know or how much you know but they remember how you made them feel". I am glad I told her that back then and I'll say that again for the benefit of her family who meant so much to her...Martha was a shining example of that statement because though I don't remember any of the work related stuff we discussed, I sure remember how she made me and many others feel...it's how come we were both comfortable asking questions openly. Like so many, I too will have a time dealing with the suddenness of her passing. Hugs again to all her family and RIP Martha, I'm glad to have known you. Raj

June 5 at 6:43 AM



Catherine Edwards June 6 at 4:43 PM

What a beautiful tribute to our friend Martha and oh so true, every word you wrote.



Amanda H Combs June 6 at 11:11 AM

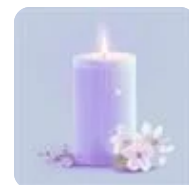
Well said sir, whole heartedly agree!



Karen Cardin lit a candle in honor of Martha.

We lost a shining light much too soon. Martha was kind, giving, and a true believer. I know she is in heaven with our father.

June 6 at 9:19 AM





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Heather Key shared 3 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.



My deepest condolences to the entire Robuck family and friends of Martha. She was an admirable woman and leader in so many ways. She truly cared about her mission at work and those on her teams. She always went out of her way to ask how we were doing and how she could help us. She was FUN! I had the pleasure of working and traveling with her for a few years and what stood out about her was her deep love of her family and passion for living a full life; always planning a trip with her girlfriends or excited about the next family event. During our work trips we got to know each other on a personal level and came to find out we had a lot in common. She would always tell people, "hey did you know Heather and I are BOTH preachers' kids?" My last interaction with her was in March and she gave me the biggest hug (such an unapologetic hugger :)) and said some very kind words to me that now I will never forget. Grateful for her life and will be praying for her family as they start to navigate a life without her.

June 5 at 6:43 AM



Andrew Torok lit a candle in honor of Martha.

What a wonderful woman.



June 6 at 4:25 AM



Michael Labin posted:

I was lucky enough to work with Martha at both Michaels & the Exchange and the ONE quality that stood out to me was the way she treated everyone--regardless of their job title. She was open to opinions and ideas to get the best out of the entire team. Martha was one of the nicest people you could get to know and was willing to mentor anyone. She did this to make them the best version of themselves and grow as a human being. We are all lucky to have known Martha. Godspeed Martha.

June 6 at 3:44 AM



Lynn Castro posted:

Martha was an amazing leader, mentor and counselor. She was always there to help talk through a problem, personal or professional. I am honored to have known her - she will be missed by many.

June 5 at 11:32 PM



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Katie Berry posted:

Martha came into my life 40 years ago. I had no idea then that she would become one of my closest and dearest friends. She was so good to me. I could tell her anything, and she would listen without judgment, always. She made such an effort to show up in our friendship. I would get a call from her anytime she was anywhere near my house to see if we could meet up. I feel so fortunate that we were able to see each other regularly with our core group of girlfriends for dinners and yearly "Girls' Weekends." I miss her.

June 5 at 5:05 PM



Mimi lit a candle in honor of Martha.

I didn't get the opportunity to work or with Ms. Martha at AAFES, but did get the opportunity to get know her. She was a kind soul and a beautiful lady...she had always made laughed...I always enjoyed enjoyed talking to her. Will miss you Ms. Martha. RIP!



June 5 at 4:49 PM



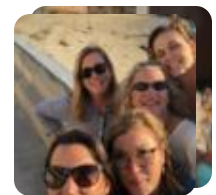
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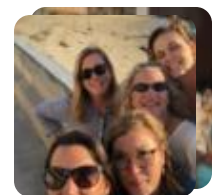
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PO

Paul Olney posted:

To the Robuck family, our deepest condolences from the Pacific Buying Office. Martha was always supportive and available for us, even though we are on the other side of the world in Tokyo, Japan. Very grateful for the opportunity to have spent time with her in person in early February in Okinawa. Martha will be sorely missed.

June 5 at 3:51 PM

DM

David Maiorani posted:

Martha brightened my day each time I saw her! I only knew her through her work selling to AAFES, but she always treated me with kindness and respect. I remember our last meeting in April. Strength and energy to the family and all who grieve this loss....RIP

June 5 at 2:59 PM

TA

Tammerler posted:

Martha and I crossed path many years at aafes. She was a warm and tender soul to me. I will always honor the memories we shared and I have of Martha. I will be praying for the entire family.

June 5 at 12:37 PM

SS

Sean Shaw posted:

I'm very saddened by Martha's death, but it has me reminiscing. I met Martha at a time that most of us would have considered a terrible period in their life ... she was battling cancer. To many of us, we felt sorry for her, but our first conversation will be engrained in my memory. The gist of it was, "Don't feel sorry for me. Don't treat me any differently. Let's just be friends as if this disease wasn't trying to kill me, because I guarantee you it won't. The strength and grace she had while facing it was truly amazing. We went on to build a terrific relationship and she was one of the most important people in my career in SD/MD/or whatever it's now called. When I took the VP of PAR job, it was a huge change for me, but Martha was one I could count on to patiently teach me, even though she knew she was far more qualified for the job than I was. I will forever be in her debt for that. All that said, her friendship, robust laughter, and truly empathetic soul will be what I remember most. The physical world lost a human, but God gained another angel so we can't be sad for her. Greg, Mead, and Kelsey: I hope God is merciful on you and helps you quickly pass through the stages of grief that lets you get to a place where you can focus on all the good times instead of the sad, unexpected end of Martha's life. God will be with you through this tough time, so lean on him heavily. Sean Shaw

June 5 at 12:35 PM



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Mimi Byrne Koval posted:

I never heard Martha say a bad word about anybody. She was always so kind to me and a pure joy to be with. She gave great hugs, was so easy to talk to and radiated love. Mead and Kelsey and Greg, you are in my thoughts and prayers. What a beautiful wife and mother you had. I was lucky to have known her. ❤️

June 5 at 11:56 AM



Vanessa Willie lit a candle in honor of Martha.

Martha's kindness and sweet demeanor touched many lives here at AAFES. Her smile and friendship will be dearly missed. My prayers are with you all, may the Lord shield you with peace and comfort during this difficult time. Martha, may you rest in peace and rise in glory.



June 5 at 11:32 AM



Jacy Bartlett posted:

Martha will be missed in MD Consumables. Continuing to send up prayers of comfort and strength for your family during this time. R.I.P.

June 5 at 11:27 AM



Tad Long posted:

Greg, Mead and Kelsey, So sorry to see this. I lost my dad last fall and know to well the emotions you are experiencing. My heart goes out to you and share in your sadness. Many fond memories of the Robuck family!

June 5 at 11:02 AM



Jo Keaton lit a candle in honor of Martha.

Jo Keaton lit a candle in memory of Martha Robuck



June 5 at 10:51 AM



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Detra Griggs shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Martha will definitely be missed! Her smile always lit up the room! ❤️



June 5 at 10:49 AM



Robyn posted:

So many wonderful memories with Martha. Prayers and love to Greg and all of her family during this difficult time. Gary and Robyn Cain

June 5 at 10:27 AM



Michelle Crews lit a candle in honor of Martha.

Michelle Crews lit a candle in memory of Martha Robuck



June 5 at 10:05 AM



Allie Adamek posted:

Martha was one of a kind and one of the strongest women we have known, with an open heart for everyone she touched. Our thoughts are with you all and we love you so much. Love, Keith, Carol and Allie Adamek

June 5 at 10:01 AM



Mary Holmes June 5 at 11:27 AM

So sorry to loose Martha. I know she will be missed. She was a beautiful person.



Catherine Edwards lit a candle in honor of Martha.

Martha was such a warm, loving person. My heart breaks for her family because they were her life. Martha also leaves behind a legacy at AAFES where she was so admired by her peers. You will be truly missed.



June 5 at 9:56 AM



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Kathleen Glenn posted:

Martha will be greatly missed by so many of her Exchange family. Praying comfort and peace to all during this time of grieving.

June 5 at 9:50 AM



Ruth Bilbo posted:

I have so many memories of Martha, all fun and loving. From the day I met Martha, on a motorcycle trip during the early days of dating her husband Greg, she was a part of my chosen family. I had the honor of being godmother to Mead and Kelsey, which changed my life for the better. It is difficult to describe someone like Martha, vibrant, grounded, kind, thoughtful and loving. Martha will be sorely missed, but she set an example that we will carry in our hearts. My deepest condolences to the family!

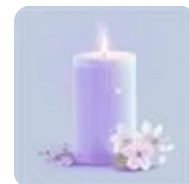
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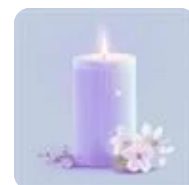
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MB

Mary Catharine Bonomelli posted:

My prayers are with your family. I met Martha many years ago and she was always an amazing support system to me in my career with AAFES. She will truly be missed.

June 5 at 9:09 AM

GK

Glenn Knight posted:

Martha was a great boss and even better leader. Martha and her insights will be missed by her Exchange coworkers. Prayers for the family. Glenn Knight

June 5 at 9:04 AM

VP

Vernita L. Patterson posted:

I truly send my condolences to the family. May God continue to see you all through this grief.

June 5 at 9:04 AM

RK

Robin Karnes posted:

Martha was such a strong and loving women. She loved deeply and her family was her everything. Chris and I loved spending time with Greg and Martha. We will miss her beautiful smile, and fun personality.

June 5 at 8:51 AM

MS

Mare Stanton posted:

Two things I remember most about Martha were her genuine warmth, and she radiated Light. Wishing Peace and Love for her family. Liz Stanton

June 5 at 6:43 AM



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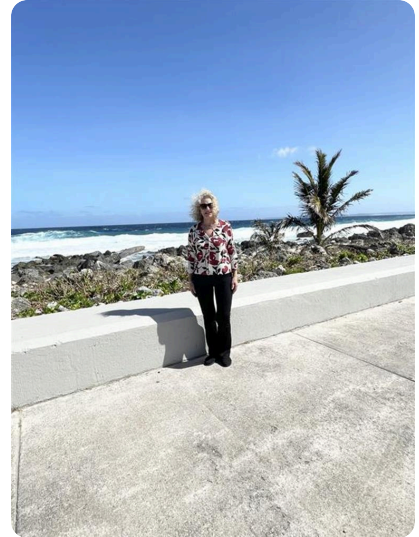
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Chicago 2022 - Buyers and Martha



Sweets and Snacks 2022



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The Girls Then



The Girls Now



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Martha by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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