



## Pamela Denise Martin (Gilmer)

August 25, 1955 - February 20, 2011

Pamela Denise Gilmer Martin Pamela Denise Gilmer Martin passed away on February 12, 2011 in Houston, Texas at age 55. Pamela was born August 25, 1955, to William Arch Gilmer and Nettie Geneva (Wright) Gilmer, in Houston, Texas. She is preceded in death by her parents and husband of 27 years, Michael J. Martin. Pamela is survived by her sons, Christopher and Jeffrey Martin; sister Deborah White; sister-in-law Claudia Gilmer; nieces and nephews. Pamela grew up in Houston, Texas and decided in high school she wanted to be a teacher. During college, Pamela met Michael Martin and they married in December of 1978. Pamela lived in Huntsville, her home for over 30 years. She graduated from Mac Arthur High School in 1973; graduated in 1977 with a Bachelor of Arts in Teaching from Sam Houston State University; in 1990 she graduated with a Masters degree in Education from SHSU. Pamela worked at Willis High School from 1977-1983; Huntsville High School as Family and Consumer Sciences teacher from 1984 to present. Her most notable honors and awards were Honorary Member, State Future Homemakers of America-1997, Texas Spirit of Advising Award- 1998, Outstanding Alumni, SHSU Department of Family and Consumer Sciences-1998, Wal-Mart's Teacher of the Year-2003, Hornet Hero Award-2003, 2005 and 2010, HISD Secondary Educator of the Month-October 2006, FCS TAT-State Teacher of the Year- 2008, and FCCLA Master Advisor-2010. She received numerous other honors, awards and recognitions in her career. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to: SHSU, Box 2537, Huntsville, Texas

77341, (place in memo portion of the check) Pam Martin Memorial Scholarship. Services for Pam will be held Sunday, February 20, 2011, 3:00 p.m. at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home Chapel in Huntsville, Texas. Interment will follow services at Brooke Cemetery in Huntsville. Family will receive friends Sunday, February 20, 2011, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home. There will be a reception held at the Huntsville High School following the graveside service. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pamela Denise Martin (Gilmer)*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *My heartfelt condolences to Pam. She was a kind person who went out of her way to help people. This was so sudden. God Bless her family!*

*I didn't know this happened. Please excuse the delayed note.*

*Sincerely,*

*Eileen Slater, West Brook High School, Beaumont, Texas, 409-617-5555*

**Eileen Slater** - March 23, 2011 at 02:16 PM



“ *We first met Pam and Michael in 1981 when we moved in next door to them.*

*They were always very nice to our kids, and wanted some of their own. Pam always had a smile and we got along just fine.*

*I remember writing letters to the adoption center to attest to their ability to be parents so they could adopt Chris and Jeffrey. I had no doubt they'd be good parents.*

*I'm so sorry for your loss. Your mom was a very good person and I know she's in a better place.*

*God bless you! Carolyn and Roger Goodwin*

**Carolyn Goodwin** - February 20, 2011 at 02:09 PM

FB

“ I did not even know that Pam was in poor health when we visited together this summer at our CFS conference. I have known Pam for many years and met her when I was a student in her job specific class at Sam Houston. I have considered her my mentor since I have begun teaching Food Production and now Culinary Arts. She generously shared so many of her great teaching ideas with me that I am still using in my own teaching. I will never forget her kindness, wonderful intelligence and the help she so freely gave to me when I started out teaching this area. She will truly be missed by so many but I will really feel her absence since I will no longer be able to visit with her and share ideas as we have in the past. I share your sadness.

*Sincerely, Faye Blackmon, Duncanville High School*

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**Faye Blackmon** - February 19, 2011 at 09:12 PM

MI

“ It will never be known how many people Pam's smile and love have touched. As a teacher, FCCLA advisor, FCSTAT member and president she was the pinnacle of professional. Her love shined through in her beautiful smile, jubilant laughter, and loving heart. Pam's presence will truly be missed, but her love will continue to radiate through those of us who have been blessed to know her. May God's loving peace surround her sons, sister, students, and extended FCS family. I know that I will continue to grow as a teacher because Pam has shown us the way to face adversity, never give up, and always keep the flame burning. God blessed us with you, Pam, and now you are a shining star in Heaven. With love and thanksgiving to God that you were a part of my life.

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**Melissa Isaacs** - February 19, 2011 at 09:06 PM

BC

“ MRS.MARTIN WAS MY TEACHER IN HIGH SCHOOL. SHE WAS A SWEET LADY,AND HELPED ME THOUGH A LOT OF HARD TIMES IN SCHOOL. SHE WAS ALSO MY ROLE MODEL IN SCHOOL. SHE WILL BE MISSED. BUT WHAT SHE HAD WAS PASSED ON TO EVERYONE THAT SHE HAD IMPACT ON SO WE CAN CARRY OUT HER MEMORY. SHE WAS A GOOD TEACHER AND A GOOD FRIEND TO ALOT OF PEOPLE. MY PRAYERS GOSE OUT TO MRS.MARTIN'S FAMILY.....

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**betty carroll** - February 19, 2011 at 05:25 PM

DA

“ *I am in such shock. Pam was one of the kindest and most generous individuals I have ever known. She will be so very missed by her fellow FCS Teachers and FCCLA Advisors and so many more.*

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**Dana Allamon** - February 19, 2011 at 12:48 PM

JR

“ *I am truely sorry to hear the passing of such a sweet Angel. She will be missed by so many whoms lives she has Touched. She is now with our Lord and May he bring comfort and peace to all who knew this Wonderful Lady. Our Sincere condolences to her Faimly and Friends and Prayers. May God Bless this family and wrap those who knew and loved her in his warm embrace.*

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**Jayme Rainer** - February 19, 2011 at 08:07 AM

BH

“ God looked around his garden  
And found an empty place.  
He then looked down upon the earth  
And saw your tired face.  
He put his arms around you  
And lifted you to rest.  
God's garden must be beautiful  
He always takes the best.  
Peace be thine Pam, in God's hands. You will be dearly missed by  
many, and never forgotten by all. Thoughts and prayers to those  
you held dear, may God be with them.

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**Belle Hansen** - February 18, 2011 at 03:53 PM

SL

“ I'm truly sorry for this great loss, I did my student teaching under  
Pam and was truly inspired to teach and love my job. She loved the  
students and her family so much and lived her life to make theirs  
better. She taught me so much and I still tell story's from that great  
semester I was able to spend with her. God Bless! My prayers are  
with her family!

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**Sara Lyssy** - February 18, 2011 at 03:30 PM

DN

“ Pam's loss is great!! She worked very hard in her profession and  
touched many students through her work. To her children, always  
remember the special things she taught you, and let those things  
help carry you to more peaceful times. I will miss seeing her at  
FCSTAT Summer Conference. She always had a smile for me!!  
Hope to see you in Heaven one day, Pam  
Fondly,  
Donna Nevlud

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**Donna Nevlud** - February 18, 2011 at 01:04 PM

IB

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Pam was a great person and a wonderful friend. I know she will be missed. She touched so many lives and will be remembered as someone who changed lives. Your family is in my prayers.

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**Iva Beck** - February 18, 2011 at 08:41 AM

TH

“ Chris and Jeffrey,  
We were so shocked and sad to hear that your mom had passed away. She was a wonderful lady and everyone will miss her so much. Please know that yall are in our prayers at this time and always. Please take care.  
Love,  
Tom and Lynda Henry and Family

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**Tom and Lynda Henry** - February 17, 2011 at 10:53 PM

CH

“ Jeffery and Chris- I was so sorry to hear of your loss; your Mom was truly a wonderful lady. She touched so many lives and will be missed by all who had the honor of knowing her. I am a better teacher and mother for the tips that she shared with me over the years.

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**Christi Hurley** - February 17, 2011 at 08:42 PM

MK

“*Mrs. Martin was a dedicated professional! I have observed her hard-work and tenacity. She gave her best in everything that she did! She loved her family and students! Pam also served her profession of family and consumer sciences well! What a great loss! More people should be as dedicated as Pam Martin!*

*You have my sympathy and prayers!*  
*Mkossie*

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**Mary Kossie** - February 17, 2011 at 03:50 PM

SP

“*This is a sad time for all the students and professionals that Pam reached throughout her teaching years and the impact she had on their life. She was a true family and consumer sciences educator and a wonderful FCCLA advisor. My thoughts and prayers are with all her friends, family and the Huntsville community.*

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**Sharon Reddell Pierce** - February 17, 2011 at 03:05 PM

KW

“*I will be praying for Pam's family. She was a very sweet person. May God comfort you during this time.*

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**Kristi Wakefield** - February 17, 2011 at 02:14 PM

SW

“*It was sad to hear of Mrs. Martin's passing. Our profession dwindles by the day and her passing means we have lost yet another member. Please accept my sincerest sympathies. She was a tremendous asset to our profession.*

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**Shari Watson** - February 17, 2011 at 12:46 PM

ND

“ I am so saddened to hear about the loss of our friend and cohort, Pam Martin. We served together on the Board of Directors for FCSTAT for many years. Pam was so dedicated to our profession. She will be greatly missed.

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**Nancy Dunlap** - February 17, 2011 at 12:36 PM

MD

“ Im so sorry for the loss of Mrs. Martin. She was a great teacher and she was my teacher back in high school. Mrs. Martin always had a beautiful smile and always made me smile. She also was my instructor in baking class when she had them at Sam's. I enjoyed it so much. Mrs. Martin you will always be in my heart. Martin family you are all in my prayers. God bless this family.

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**Maria Duarte** - February 17, 2011 at 10:38 AM

BO

“ Huntsville High School has lost a true Angel! Pam was one of the most compassionate teachers I ever knew. She always went above and beyond to reach and teach her students as though they were her own children. I am truly blessed to have had the honor to know and work with her. May we all find peace in knowing that she is in heaven with our Heavenly Father watching over her personal family and her HHS family! My prayers go out to her family during this most difficult time.

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**Brenda Oates** - February 17, 2011 at 08:37 AM

DP

“ May God continue to wrap His loving arms around you. I am sorry for your loss. Donna Paschall

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**Donna Paschall** - February 16, 2011 at 06:49 PM

JM

“ Christopher and Jeffrey We are so sorry to learn of your mom's death. She was a wonderful person and a great neighbor. Her smile and laugh were always present, even under difficult circumstances. Our prayers are with you and we are sorry we cannot be there also.

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**Jimmy and Joyce Merchant** - February 16, 2011 at 04:06 PM

JF

“ Pam was always one of my favorite people during the years that I taught at Huntsville High school. Always with a ready smile and positive attitude, she nurtured her students as if they were her own children. They will miss her as will all of us. God's blessings on her family.

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**Janet Fair** - February 15, 2011 at 11:05 AM

AG

“ My deepest sympathy to Debbie and the Martin family. You are in my prayers.

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**Angie Gonzales** - February 15, 2011 at 08:39 AM

GL

“ I am truly sorry to hear about Pam. She was truly one of the nicest people ever. She will truly be one of the brightest angels in heaven. I just wanted to say that many thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Sincerely, Gena Lloyd

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**Gena Lloyd** - February 14, 2011 at 10:25 PM

GT

“ *The world lost a wonderful woman when we lost Pam. There was nothing she would not do when you asked for her help. She always had a smile and good word no matter what was going on in her life. I know all of HISD will have a void too big to fill without Pam. May God bless her boys to get through this.*

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**Gail Thompson** - February 14, 2011 at 02:27 PM

LC

“ *My heart is heavy, and you are in my thoughts and prayers as you walk through this very difficult time. Pam is a very special lady and we will miss her as you will.*

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**Linda Clinton** - February 14, 2011 at 12:16 PM

AH

“ *Pam was truly an icon on the Huntsville High School Campus. She was incredibly loved and respected by her peers and students alike. There are very few who love their students here at HHS more than she did. She is greatly missed by her Hornet family and we will always smile remembering her dedication and service. May God bless this family.*

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**Andrea L. Hoke** - February 14, 2011 at 08:43 AM