



Martin John Clegg

December 1, 1938 - June 3, 2022

Martin John Clegg, 83, of Sarasota, passed away on June 3, 2022, with his family at his side.

A proud Englishman and patriotic American, Martin was born in Halifax, Yorkshire, England on Dec. 1, 1938, to James and Katherine (Godfrey) Clegg. Martin was the oldest of three children, with sister, Maureen (Mo) and brother, Brendan. The three remained close throughout their lives, all immigrating from England to the US as young adults.

Martin attended Clare Hall School and served in the British Army before moving to California in 1966. He married his beloved wife, Ina Martha Jenkins, in 1970. Martin and Ina have one daughter, Katherine Martha, who was born in 1972.

Martin worked in sales and corporate management. He and his family lived in California, New Jersey, Illinois, England and Maryland before settling in Sarasota and moving to Siesta Key full-time in 1996.

In addition to being a successful businessman, Martin loved farming. He and his family lived on horse farms in Illinois, England and Maryland. Martin loved to ride horses and to raise sheep and beef cattle.

Martin also loved to golf, to play guitar and sing. He had a booming voice and loved to sing in church, or any time a group would gather. Martin loved Catholic hymns, as well as Irish and Country music.

Martin was a great storyteller and had a wonderful sense of humor. He was a generous person who made friends and fun wherever he went. He was never happier than when he made a young child laugh by doing a wicked Donald Duck impression or when Manchester United was winning a match. Later in life, Martin took great interest in gardening and crossword and sudoku puzzles.

Nothing was more important to Martin than his family. He is survived by his wife, Ina, their daughter, Katherine (Kate), and his treasured grandson, Brendan Gabriel Smith. He is also survived by his siblings, Maureen and Brendan, his sisters-in-law Shelagh and Janet, his brother-in-law Larry, seven nieces and nephews, and six great nieces and nephews. Martin is also survived by extended family in England, Australia, Canada and Ireland.

Martin is now free from all pain, and he has gone home to reunite with his mother, Kitty, and his many friends and family who went before him. Each of us will miss his physical presence, but we know his spirit remains, and we will always remember his hearty laugh and smile when we hear a song he loved or recall the many stories he loved to tell.

A funeral Mass and celebration of life will be held for Martin at 10am on Saturday, June 11, at Incarnation Catholic Church on Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JUN 11. 10:00 AM (ET)

Incarnation Catholic Church
2901 Bee Ridge Road
Sarasota, FL 34239

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“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Martin John Clegg*.



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“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Martin John Clegg*.



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