



L. Ross Martin

August 25, 1906 to June 24, 2000

Blanche Martin

September 22, 1906 to November 10, 2004

Relationship: Ross and Blanche were Members of St. Andrew United Methodist Church.

Family: Ross and Olive Blanche Scipio were married Sept 14, 1927. They have twin daughters, Ellen Byers of West Lafayette and Evaline Schaal of Orchard Park, NY. Their family includes eight grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Recognition: Ross was choir director at Mt. Zion Methodist Church for forty years and Director of the Wabash Township Community Orchestra. He gave private violin lessons. Blanche graduated from Chalmers High School and studied Home Economics at Purdue University where she joined Zeta Tau Alpha. She participated in numerous community groups, including the Home Hospital Auxiliary and the Wabash Township Community Orchestra. She enjoyed music and especially enjoyed playing the piano.

Memorial: Choir robes were purchased in December 2010. The memorial funds were complimented by gifts from daughters Ellen Byers and Evaline Schaal.



The new robes are modeled by the Martin's great-granddaughter Elizabeth Byers and their daughter Ellen Byers.

Olive Blanche Martin, 98

Olive Blanche Scipio Martin, 98, died at 2:40 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, 2004, George Davis

Manor, 1051 Cumberland Ave., where she had been a resident for six years.

Born on Sept. 22, 1906, in Chalmers, she grew up on a farm there. She graduated from

Chalmers High School in 1923 and attended Purdue University, studying home economics. She was a member of Alpha Theta chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority.

Mrs. Martin worked for Kress' Dollar Store in Lafayette after college but was a homemaker most of her life. She played the cello and piano and played piano for silent movies.

She was a member of St. Andrew United Methodist Church, Home Hospital Auxiliary (now Greater Lafayette Health Services Auxiliary), Indiana Farm Bureau, Wabash Township Home Extension Club, Quest Club, 4-H Clubs of America and the Wabash Township Community Orchestra.

In addition to playing piano, she enjoyed reading, solving crossword puzzles, sewing, making quilts, gardening and cooking.

On Sept. 14, 1927, she married L. Ross Martin, in Lafayette. He died June 24, 2000.

Surviving are twin daughters Ellen Byers of West Lafayette and Evaline Schaal (husband: Philip) of Orchard Park, N.Y.



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Martin, Olive Blanche
Service 10 a.m. today at **Hippensteel Funeral Home**, the Rev. Tim Burchill officiating. Interment, Grand View Cemetery. Surviving are 8 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by her parents, Olivet Augustus and Blanche Moore Scipio; her stepmother, Florence Thompson Scipio; a brother, Everett M. Scipio; a grandson, Brent Alan Byers. Memorials to St. Andrew United Methodist Church.

Lemuel Ross Martin, 93

Lemuel Ross Martin, 93, of 325 Smiley St., WL, died at 10:35 a.m. Saturday, June 24, 2000, in Heritage Healthcare.

He was born Aug. 25, 1906, in West Lafayette, and was a lifelong resident of the area. He was forced to leave high school due to scarlet fever, but later won a scholarship to Purdue University. He did not attend



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Purdue, working on the family farm instead. He was a farmer and carpenter.

On Sept. 14, 1927, he married Olive Blanche Scipio in Lafayette, and she survives.

Mr. Martin was a member of St. Andrews United Methodist Church and Indiana Farm Bureau. He was a former member of Mount Zion Methodist Church, where he served many years on the executive board and served as choir director for 40 years. He was director of the Wabash Township Community Orchestra and served 12 years on the Wabash Township Advisory Board, where he was involved in the first new addition to Klondike School. He also gave violin lessons.

Surviving are twin daughters, Ellen Byers of West Lafayette and Evaline Schaal (husband: Philip) of Orchard Park, N.Y.

MARTIN, Lemuel Ross

Friends may call 5-8 p.m. Friday at Hippenstein Funeral Home. Funeral 1 p.m. Saturday at Hippenstein Chapel, the Rev. Tim Burchill officiating. Interment at Grand View Cemetery. Surviving are 8 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Preceded by his parents and a grandson, Brent Byers in 1962. Memorials to St. Andrews United Methodist Church.