

**Melvin Leroy Martin**  
**June 15, 1941—January 28, 2012**

Melvin Leroy Martin, 70, of Albany, Oregon, died from lung cancer at his home.

Mel was born to Melvin Henry and Bessie Martin. He graduated from Oakland, Oregon, High School in 1959. He worked in plywood mills in Oakland and Siletz.

Mel was a detective at the Albany Police Department, where he worked for 9 years. He went to training at the Oregon Police Academy, then went to work for the Linn County Sheriff's Dept. for 8 years and made Sergeant. Mel was a volunteer for the Millersburg Fire Dept. for 11 years.

He loved the outdoors, hunting, fishing and camping with his family and friends.

He is survived by his loving wife of 39 years, Jackie; their five children and spouses—Larry Lanig Jr., Craig Martin, Terry Lanig, Sheila Oleman, and Don Martin; 13 grandchildren; and 9 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life was held at the Millersburg City Hall on February 4, 2012. Mel is buried at Willamette Memorial Cemetery in Albany.