

## Martin Luther Family

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After Isabelle passed away, he later married Fran Whitmer.



Fran and Martin Luther

Martin Luther was the 8<sup>th</sup> child of Robert and Ellen Luther. Martin spent most of his adult life in the Dayton, OH area working in the die-casting industry. He was an avid fisherman, having gone on many trips with his sons, grandsons, and nephews to Canada for Pike, Walleye, and Muskie. His love of fishing and boating was handed down to his three sons. Martin married Isabelle Foster, and they had 5 children, three boys and two girls. Fred, Betty, Vera, Richard and Gene.

All of Martin's children also settled in the greater Dayton area and still live there to this day. In the picture below with Martin, are all of his children: Richard, Vera, Betty, Fred, and Gene. This picture was taken at a Luther Reunion in 1985. Martin, along with his many brothers and two sisters lived to be in excess of 90 years of age.



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The above photo was taken on Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009, just one week prior to Fred's death. It was fortunate that all of Martin's children could be together for this mini-reunion. From left to right are, Gene, Richard, Fred, Betty, and Vera.



Here, Jeannie Luther Marrongelli, (Richard's Daughter) poses with her Uncle Fred Luther at their family reunion on Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Our thanks to Jeannie for providing these pictures.

Fred was also businessman in the Die-Casting Industry and owned and operated two companies in the Dayton, Ohio area.

Fred also loved to fish, and was quite good at it too! He made many trips to Canada with his father, brothers, cousins, and friends. He always went after the "big ones" preferring to fish for Muskie, rather than the more common Northern Pike or Walleye. He usually succeeded in catching the trophy fish on most trips! Several times he "flew in" on a float plane, or took a houseboat in order to reach the less fished areas of the many Ontario lakes. Below is a picture of Fred, doing what he liked to do best on one of those trips.



Fred going after the "Big One" on Lac Seul, Ontario, Canada (1998)



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In this family photo taken at a Luther reunion in the 1980's Martin and Fran are seated with sons Gene, Richard, and Fred, left to right. Also there were Gene's wife Bev, son John, Richard's wife Marlene, and their son Tom. On the far right is Fred's son Fred Jr.



Fred Luther with Fred Jr. and Fred III



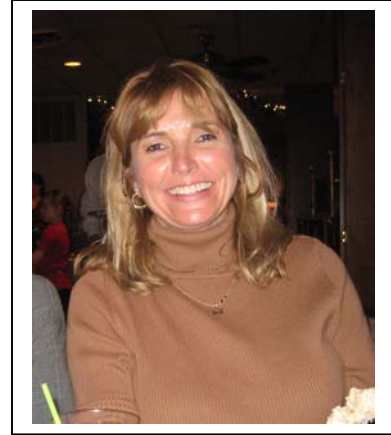
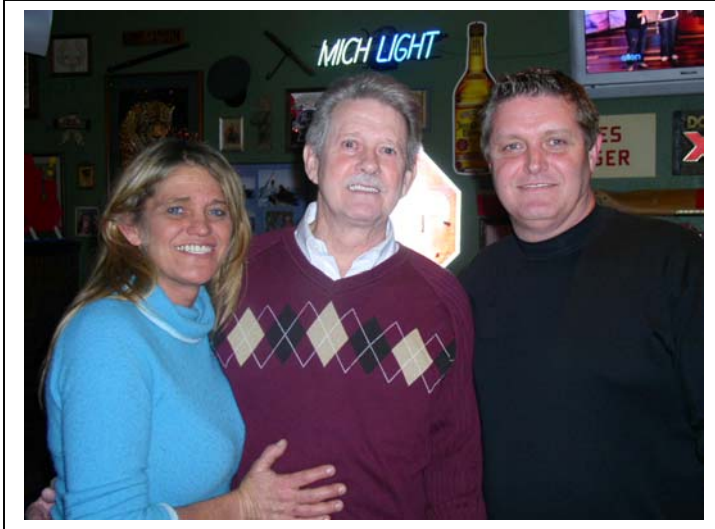
Here, at the 2003 Luther Reunion are seated, Richard, Fred, and Gene. Standing are Marlene, Fred Jr. and Tom.



Gene with grand-daughter Courtney, with Richard's son Tom and Abby.

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Above, Richard with daughter Julie and son Tom, Top Right, his daughter Jeannie, and to the right, Richard and Marlene.



Above, Fred III, Jerry Luther & Fred Luther Jr. Above, Standing, Betty Luther Jennings Below, Gene & Bev Luther with Carla and John. With daughters Peggy and Patti Below Right, the Carla Luther Mains Family: Samantha, Carla, Courtney, Rick, and Kyle





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Vera's Family: L to R: David, Michael, Debbie, Vera, Marty, Leah, and Nathan



Gene & Bev's son John with friend Tina



Betty Luther Jennings, Vera Luther McVicar, with their brother Fred Luther

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The Martin Luther Family at the 2007 Luther Family Reunion



The Martin Luther Family at the 2009 Luther Family Reunion