# Church historian and columnist Martin Marty dead at 97

February 28, 2025

Martin E. Marty, an eminent church historian, prolific chronicler and interpreter of religion and its role in public life, died at the age of 97 on Feb. 25 in a Minneapolis care facility where he spent his final years.

#### **Obituary: Levi Weldon Price**

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Levi Weldon Price Jr., Baptist missionary, pastor and seminary professor, died Feb. 19. He was 83.

## **Obituary: J. Melburn Sibley**

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J. Melburn Sibley of Grapevine, a Texas Baptist pastor and denominational worker, died Dec. 16. He was 89.

#### **Obituary: Jerry R. Stratton**

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Jerry R. Stratton, a Texas Baptist minister, associational director of missions and retired U.S. Army officer, died Jan. 18. He was 91.

## **Obituary: Melissa Kaye Yeary Wells**

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Melissa Kaye Yeary Wells, children's Sunday school teacher and daughter of one Baptist pastor and wife of another, died Feb. 4 in Houston. She was 59.

## **Obituary: Harold Wayne Temple**

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Harold Wayne Temple of Plainview, longtime professor at Wayland Baptist University and onetime pastor of Old Rock Baptist Church in Somerset, died Jan. 27. He was 86.

## Obituary: Salvador Castorena Bernal

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Salvador Castorena Bernal of Vernon, pastor of Primera Iglesia Bautista in Lockney, died Jan. 19 in Wichita Falls. He was 64.

### **Obituary: Margie Ann Mines**

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Margie Ann Mines, long-time Southern Baptist missionary, died Dec. 29. She was 89.

## Obituary: Todd Condell Hamilton

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Todd Condell Hamilton Sr., retired missionary and pastor, died Dec. 17 in Houston. He was 96.

## Obituary: Marci Lynn Parrott Chaddick

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Marci Lynn Parrott Chaddick of San Marcos, a pastor's wife and former missionary to Ethiopia, died at home Jan. 4 after a year-long battle with pancreatic cancer. She was 53.

#### **Obituary: Robert Owen Rachuig**

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Robert Owen Rachuig, Texas Baptist pastor and home missionary, died Dec. 19 in Garland. He was 85.

### **Obituary: Gene McLain**

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EuGene "Gene" Euell McLain of Plainview, Baptist deacon and former trustee of Wayland Baptist University, died Dec. 25, 2024. He was 89.