

## Thoughts from the brotherhood of Brother Martin Whitaker, Jr.

By the Brotherhood



Martin Whitaker.....or "Party Marty as he was known in his hometown of Philadelphia Pa, was what I call an "East Coast Icon" . Extremely well known not just for his MOUTH.....but he could (excuse my language) Step his ASS off. He was a member of the legendary "Philly All-Stars" stepteam. He and those brothers actually revolutionized the step game. They took it to a higher level.

Marlon Prince KH 85

Garrison was one of my college advisors, Bibby pledged me, Wilson and Whitaker pledge with me with the exception of Leroy Wilson pledging with Eta Pi who was our advising chapter. All four of these brothers influence me in my college experience and life. All four of these brothers left this world too early. I pray that we will see them again!

Leslie Hinton "Swann" KH 79

I only knew whitaker and remembered he was a great stepper and how he was not that much older than i was so always a little eye opening when that happens. Cornell Fraites

I was saddened to hear about the passing of Bro. Martin Whitaker. I met Marty during our chapter reunion in which he told us that he pledged the bro's that pledged the bro's. Brother Whitaker was fun to watch stepping

Kenneth Powell KH 86

The passing of Brothers Whitaker and Wilson was a trying moment. My relationships with both Brothers were at the opposite ends of the spectrum. However, they proved pivotal in my maturation as man and brother. Bro. Wilson provided mentorship and the constant reminder of "your focus while at SHU" and Bro. Whitaker provided the consistent visual of working for Omega.

Dwayne Adams 96

Bruh Whitaker... aka Party Marty... OWT Que he was!  
Jonathan Griffin KH 96

The thing I remember most about Brother Martin Whitaker is his love for marching with the Frat. He had a saying, "If you can dance, you can march", and he could do both well. In fact, we called him "Party Hearty Marty" because of his dance skills and he could march well also. His marching skills were so good, in the early 80's he was one of the premier showcase brothers of the legendary "Philly All-Stars". He may have been small in stature, but he was big at heart with enthusiasm for Omega Psi Phi!!!!!!!

Steven Oakman 10 PI 76

It was indeed a pleasure to have been one of the brothers that recruited Martin to pledge Omega. During his pledge period Martin demonstrated his desire to be a great Omega man! He was always on point with his education, his history and most all of his stepping!! After Martin crossed the burning sands he continued to grow as a student and brother. It was such a pleasure to watch Martin transform from a lampados to an Omega man. He truly demonstrated our four cardinal principles and he is truly missed.

Darrell Gunter KH 77

My thoughts of Martin Whitaker take me back to Great thoughts and great times. He was always the life of the party and I miss his sprit. We always rolled together everywhere mostly because he didn't drive to later in life but it was great to have him as a Road Dog! He was to me the brother I never had and I miss him everyday! To me he wil always be Party Hardy Marty ,.. the life of the Party !!! Thank you Martin ,.. For all the years ! My little brother from another Mother!

William Dent III PE 80

He was instrumental in establishing and continuing a legacy of the four cardinal principles.

James Brewer KH 80