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BEN MARTIN

Ben Martin was TIME Magazine's first New York Bureau staff photographer covering wars, fashion, politics, arts, business and sports for TIME, Life, Fortune, People and Sports Illustrated for thirty-three years. He immortalized evocative images that defined the 1960's such as Richard M. Nixon's haggard 5 o'clock shadow, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s march to Montgomery, Alabama, and John F. Kennedy's grieving widow and children.



He became fascinated by photography at the age of eight when his father, a newspaperman, gave him a bakelite "Univex 00" miniature box camera. At age fifteen he founded the first High School News Bureau in the nation, and became a staff photographer at the local newspaper, *The Salisbury Post*. At age seventeen he became the youngest member of the National Press Photographers Association.



He was born Benjamin Rush Martin III in Salisbury, North Carolina September 16, 1930. He attended Ohio University, where he majored in journalism and photography, working his way through college cooking nights as a short-order "White Castle" hamburger chef, and as a stringer-photographer for UPI Newspictures.

He was married to the actress Kathryn Leigh Scott (1971-1990), with whom he co-founded Pomegranate Press, a book publishing company. The two remained close friends and business partners until his death February 10, 2016 at age 86.