Martin last spoke to her mother at approximately 8:40 p.m. on May 27, 2005 from Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Her roommate stated Martin left their residence on Robinson Place to take a walk and never returned. The roommate said Martin was behaving normally prior to her disappearance. She has never been heard from again.

Martin had purchased a bus ticket on May 24 to visit her mother in Denver, Colorado, but she never boarded the bus when it left a week later. She lived in Slidell, Louisiana for several years during her adolescence, then moved to Hattiesburg in 2003 and graduated from Petal High School. She had been a student at Pearl River Community College, but took a semester off to help her mother, who was ill. Authorities believe she may have left of her own accord, but her loved ones stated it is uncharacteristic of her not to contact them; they fear she is in danger. Her case remains unsolved.