



## Denver "Red" Ellsworth

January 1, 1924 - March 24, 2011

Denver "Red" Ellsworth, 86, of Fairchance, Pa., died Sunday, March 20, 2011, in the Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa. Born Nov. 13, 1924 in Fairchance, he was a son of the late William O. and Jessie Sutton Ellsworth. Attending Fairchance High School, Red worked from an early age to help support his mother and siblings by working as a farm hand, trackman, and then a fireman on the engines of the B & O Railroad. After high school, he joined the U.S. Army, serving in WWII and the Korean Conflict. Upon discharge, he worked as an independent interior decorator, with Ohio's Mercy Hospital as one of his clients. Changing career paths, Red worked for the PA Highway Department as a surveyor for several years. He then worked at the Clairton Steel Mill on the by-product belt, followed by employment at the Glassport Pattern Shop. From there, Red went to the Republic Steel river boats in Ohio for many years. Upon his return to Pennsylvania, he worked as a construction worker for Deets Construction, and later as a full time truck driver for Malinzak Gas and Oil, as well as a full time maintenance man at Penn State University, Fayette Campus. It was during this time that Red started and ran a successful lawn mower sales and repair shop in Fairchance for six years. Red finally retired, but not being one to stay "retired", he worked for P & R Maintenance at Stahl's Hotronix for 15 more years, and then as a van driver at Cherry Tree Nursing Center, until he "truly retired" in 2008. He was a faithful member of the New Geneva Baptist Church. Surviving is his wife of 58 years, Peggy Harris Ellsworth; two sons and their wives, Denny and

Joanne Ellsworth and Richard and Melodie Ellsworth, all of Fairchance; seven grandchildren and their families, Zachary and Lauren Ellsworth and children Jocelyn, Isaac and Audrey of Fairchance, Joshua and Jennifer Ellsworth and daughter Madalyn of Uniontown, Pa., Michael Ellsworth of Fairchance, Alicia and Dennis Hinton and daughter Chloe of Hopwood, Pa., Rachel and Dana Wiles of Smithfield, Pa., April and Stephen Kilgore and daughter Addison of Johnstown, Pa., and Cody Ellsworth of Fairchance; as well as many nephews and nieces and their families. Deceased are two sisters, Martha Allen and Pauline Thomas, and a brother Robert Ellsworth. Friends will be received in the Richard R. Herod Funeral Home, Point Marion, Pa., on Tuesday from 7 - 9 p.m., Wednesday from 2 - 4 and 7 - 9 p.m., and Thursday, March 24, 2011, in the New Geneva Baptist Church from 10 - 11:00 A.M., the hour of service, with Rev. Robert Robinson officiating. Interment follows in Cedar Grove Cemetery, New Geneva, Pa., with Military Rites accorded at the graveside by the V.F.W. Post 747, and the American Legion, Post 499, both in Point Marion. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations are made to the New Geneva Baptist Church, P.O. Box 111, New Geneva, Pa. 15467.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Ellsworth Family- Our deepest sympathy to you all. You are in our thoughts and prayers- Rich, Hope and Richie Ainsley*

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**Hope Ainsley** - March 24, 2011 at 09:31 AM

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“ *Denver will never be forgotten. I'm a true witness of how great a "Pap" he was to all the grandchildren ever since I've been around them! Ellsworth Family - We are thinking of you all and praying for your during this time. We will see him one day when no more pain will be felt and no more tears will be shed! -Love you all, Christy Eckert*

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**Christy Eckert** - March 23, 2011 at 11:10 AM