



Richard E. Cone

October 28, 1921 - April 8, 2010

Richard E. Cone, age 88 of New Concord, Ohio passed away Thursday April 8, 2010 at The Beckett House in New Concord, Ohio. He was born October 28, 1921 in Athen, Ohio. A graduate of Athens High School and attended Cleveland Art School. A member of The 1st Presbyterian Church in Cambridge.

He enlisted in the Army Air Corps May 20, 1942 and was commissioned February 6, 1943 at Luke Field, Phoenix, AZ. Was transferred to the 9th Air Force, North Africa. He flew with the 99th Fighter Squadron on their first mission over Pantelleria and was downed by enemy gun fire on July 8, 1943 escorting light bombers near Sciacca, Sicily, and was taken prisoner. On July 20, he was rescued by U.S. troops, and returned to a hospital in the United States. He was discharged January 22, 1947. Was decorated with African Middle Eastern Service Medal, World War II Victory Medal, American Campaign Medal and Order of the Purple Heart. Richard was a member of the Paramuthia Lodge #255 Athens F&AM, Royal Arch Masons of Ohio #39 Athens, Royal & Select Masons of Ohio #15 Athens, Knights Templar #015 Athens, Scottish Rite Valley of Cambridge, Aladdin Shrine, Columbus, Kambri Shrine Club, Cambridge. Ninth Air Force Association, VFW, American Legion, DAV.

Mr. Cone is preceded in death by his parents, Harvey Cone and Ethel Pickering Cone. One sister Annabelle Baker.

Richard is survived by his wife Mary Draper Cone whom he married February

9, 1962. One daughter Barbara Suzanne Murrer of Lancaster, CA. Step daughter, Mary Jo Draper Joe Lambe of Kansas City, MO. One son, Richard E. Linda Cone II of Athens, OH. One stepson, Joel C, Draper of Zanesville, OH. Five grandchildren: Traves Anita Cone of Dayton, OH, Josh Stephanie Cone of New Albany, OH, Piper Major Frank Scolaro of Germany, Scott West of Tehachapi, CA, Adam West of Eugene, OR. Eleven great grand children. Friends may call from 4 to 6 pm Sunday April 11, 2010 and again from 10 am till 11 am Monday. April 12, 2010 at Bundy-Law Funeral Home. The Funeral Service will held at 11:00am Monday at the Funeral Home with Rev. Eldon Trubee officiating. Burial will be Northwood Cemetery with Military Graveside services conducted by the Guernsey County Veterans Council. Memorial Contributions to Guernsey County Cancer Society, 927 E. Wheeling Ave., Suite 205, Cambridge, OH 43725 or to the First Presbyterian Church, 725 Steubenville, Ave. Cambridge, OH 43725. Online condolences may be sent to www.bundy-lawfuneralhome.com.

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“ I always enjoyed seeing he and Mary so in sync with each other, and one with thier Faith. Mary you had a very special man with a very special smile. Love and Peace. Chris Bates and Family



Christine Bates - April 01, 2011 at 02:32 PM



“ The Cone Family -

Dick was one of those people I remember with very fond memories from our years at NCR. May the memories many of us have of those years at NCR-Cambridge help you and the family in these hours of sorrow.

My deepest sympathies and prayers -

Pete Plocher##imported-begin##Pete Plocher##imported-end##

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“ Sorry to hear of Dick's passing. I have many wonderful memories of him and Mary as I grew up. Our family was out of town so they were like family to me. Peace to his family.##imported-begin##Julia Ashley##imported-end##

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“ Mrs. Cone, Dick, Linda and family,

As a member of the generation of men and women who fought the most massive war in history and made the world a better place, Mr. Cone was a hero of mine and my high school friends who knew him and Dick.

When that job was completed, like many, he set about raising a family and making this country an industrial giant. His creativeness at work is exemplified by the number of patents awarded for his inventions. I don't think I personally know anyone with more, unless it would be Dick.

Mr. Cone has started a family that does a lot of interesting and creative things and has fun doing it, and this extends down to the grandchildren. Our condolences to the family for their great loss.

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