



Dean Ellis

Jerseyville | Friday, October 14 2011

NAME: Dean Russell Ellis

AGE: 90

DIED: 7:50 p.m. Friday, October 14, 2011 at his home

BORN: March 19, 1921 in Blackwell, Oklahoma

PARENTS: William Otto and Emma (Young) Ellis (Both Deceased)

MARRIED: Doris Becker

DATE & PLACE: October 19, 1943 in Iola, Kansas

MILITARY SERVICE: Dean joined the Air Force when he was seventeen in 1938, the Armed Services found out he was underage and was discharged. Dean then re-enlisted in 1939. His rank was Staff Sergeant, his position was tail gunner on B-24-B-25. He flew many missions over Germany. He had to parachute from the plane on numerous occasions. In 1944, Dean took volunteer discharge from the Air Force, he then joined the Army because they needed soldiers on ground warfare. He was an ammunition loader with General Patton. Dean always laughed about going through Basic Training 3 times. He was discharged October 19, 1945, he was very proud of his service time for his country and would always say “IF I HAD TO, I WOULD DO IT AGAIN.”

OCCUPATION: Dean worked in High Explosive-Powder Mill Olin Winchester for 30 years.

MEMBERSHIPS: Church of the Nazarene for 55 years (he looked forward to Sunday and being with his family and friends in the Senior Adult Sunday School Class) and American Legion Post 492. Dean was an avid Baseball Cardinal Fan and would not miss wrestling 3 times weekly. He loved listening to Big Band, Gospel and Blue Grass music. Dean was a loving husband, father and friend. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

VISITATION: 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thursday, October 20, 2011

At Alexander & Gubser Funeral Home

And on Friday from 9-10 a.m. at the Church

FUNERAL: 10:00 a.m. Friday, October 21, 2011

At Church of the Nazarene, 285 Maple Summit Rd, Jerseyville, IL

Military Rites by American Legion Post #492

OFFICIANT: Rev. Matthew Van Gilder & Rev. Allen Ebbler

BURIAL: Kane Cemetery

MEMORIALS: In Lieu of flowers, Memorials may be made to the Church of the Nazarene

SURVIVORS

WIFE: Doris Ellis of Jerseyville

2 DAUGHTERS: Linda (John) Scheffel of Kane, Illinois and Sheryl (Russell) Withrow of Jerseyville, Illinois

1 SON: Mark (Yvette) Ellis of St. Charles, Mo

6 GRANDCHILDREN & 2 STEP-GRANDCHILDREN

11 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN

1 GREAT-GREAT-GRANDCHILD

SISTER: Rita Ellis

PRECEDED IN DEATH BY:Parents, and a Brother: Royal Ellis

Alexander & Gubser Funeral Home

In Charge of Arrangements