



Edward F. Devaney

March 30, 1924 - February 19, 2011

GENEVA - Edward F. Devaney, 86, of Garden St., passed away peacefully on Saturday, February 19, 2011 at Geneva General Hospital. Friends may call from 4-7pm on Tuesday (Feb. 22) at the DeVaney-Bennett Funeral Home, 181 N. Main St. Members of the Winnek Post 396 American Legion will meet at 6:30 for a service for their departed member. A prayer service will be at 9am on Wednesday (Feb. 23) at the funeral home followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 9:30am at St. Stephen's Church. Entombment will follow in St. Mary's Cemetery Mausoleum with Full Military Honors. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Edward's name to Our Lady of Peace Parish. Edward was born on March 30, 1924, the son of the late Michael and Augustina Thiery Devaney. He attended DeSales High School. Edward enlisted in the military in 1943 serving his country as a Sergeant in the United States Army. He received several decorations and medals including the Purple Heart in June of 1944. After serving in the military he was employed as a mail carrier with the U.S. Postal Service in Geneva for 41 years. He also worked at Mecurdy's, the Movie Theater, and Finger Lakes Times. Ed volunteered his time helping manage and coach little league baseball and was a former member of the NYS City of Geneva Patrolman Reserve. He was a member of the Winnek Post 396 American Legion and Our Lady of Peace Parish. He is survived by his loving wife: Evelyn; children: Gail (Lenny) Gaetano of Peckville, PA, Cheryl (Jesse) Rodriguez of St. Paul, MN, Gary (Cindy) Devaney of Geneva, Janice (David Watts) Devaney of Griffin, GA, Alan (Judith) Devaney of Sarasota, FL, David (Gosol)Devaney of Fredericksburg, VA, Donald Devaney of Geneva, Beth (Thomas) Hrim of Rome, NY, and Lynn (Rudy) Gomez of Chandler, AZ; Grandchildren: Paul (Ericka) Krause, Brian (Laurie) Krause, Amanda Rodriguez, James (Christine), Scott, Mark, Michael, Mary Anne, Christopher (Jessie), and Jennifer Devaney, Geoffrey (Rebecca) Husk, Alyssa, Morgan, and Michaela Devaney, Ashley and Joshua Hrim, and Malayna, Jeremy, and Adan Gomez; Great-Grandchildren: Brian, Christian and Joshua Krause, Owen, Neila, Riley, Reagan, Alana, and Adan Devaney. Edward was predeceased by his sisters: Eleanor Overhiser, Ursala Cullen, Marie McCann, and Geraldine Griffin.

Comments



“ Ev, I just wanted you to know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Ed was a real gentleman and a real "gentle" man, a great person to be around and someone who always made people around him feel good. I will always remember him fondly.

Mike Cutillo - February 25, 2011 at 04:40 PM



“ Uncle Eddy provided hours of joy, while our families were camping in the late 60s and early 70s. And, the visits to the DeVaney home in Geneva are some of my fondest childhood memories.
One of the Greatest Generation. I can only imagine the horrors of war he experienced as a teenager and young man in his twenties--my greatest respect. A great man, Uncle, Father and American. God Bless!

David and Annie Palmer - February 24, 2011 at 07:09 PM



“ Devaney family I was so saddened to learn of Ed's passing. I have fond memories of him and all of you. Ed had a tough exterior but was a kitten inside. One of my memories is of how whenever we left after visiting he tried to hide so as not to let us see him cry when we left. One time I actually had to get him out of bed. He will always be in my heart.

Emmie (Mary Beth) Annetta - February 23, 2011 at 05:07 PM



“ Evelyn: Red and I wish to extend our deepest sympathy to you and all your family at this sad time. We knew Eddie for many years. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.
Jane and Red Knight

Jane and Harold Knight - February 23, 2011 at 04:10 PM



“ To Evelyn and the entire Devaney family: We were sorry to learn of Ed's passing. He was a very fine man and father. Ed had quite a wit about him and will be sorely missed by all whom knew him. When I look at all of the successes experienced by his children, I know that they are a direct result of Ed & Evelyn's love for each other and for their family. May God Bless.

Ken & Cheryl Eveland - February 22, 2011 at 09:31 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to your family. Jesse, Cheryl and Amanda, know that I'm there with you in thought. Give each other a hug and your mom as well.

Patti and Denny Bjorklund - February 22, 2011 at 02:32 PM



“ Evelyn and family,
I was so sorry to read of the passing of Ed. I remember all of the good times we had at The Finger Lakes Times Business Office with him. May God's peace be with him now and forever.

Beverly Miles - February 21, 2011 at 03:15 PM