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Joseph Dunlap Obituary

Joseph T. Tom Dunlap, 89, of Elyria, died Monday, February 4, 2013 at The Abbewood in Elyria. He was born October 24, 1923 in Lorain and was a 1941 graduate of Elyria High School. He studied engineering at The College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, VA and then served as a staff sergeant with the U.S. Army during WWII, receiving The Purple Heart and European African Middle Eastern Theatre Ribbon with 3 bronze stars. Tom was a firefighter with the Elyria Fire Department from 1946 until retiring in 1983 as assistant fire chief. After retirement, he was employed as a crossing guard for the Elyria City Schools. He had formerly attended St Agnes, St. Mary and St. Jude Churches in Elyria. He enjoyed: his family, all sports, was an enthusiastic follower of Elyria High School Pioneer sports, an Ohio State Buckeye fan and a Cleveland Indians fan. He enjoyed vegetable and flower gardening and his pet dogs over the years. Tom is survived by his wife of 67 years, Helen L. (nee Miko); daughter Denise Ann (David) Meister of South Haven, MI; son Thomas A. (Susan) Dunlap of Mission Viejo, CA; six grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a sister Lois Kuhn in 1980. Friends will be received Saturday, February 9, 2013 from 11:00 a.m. until the time of a 12:30 pm. funeral service at Dicken Funeral Home, 323 Middle Avenue, Elyria. Tom's son-in-law, Reverend David W. Meister will officiate, assisted by a nephew, Fr. Christopher Kuhn and Reverend Alana Kelley. Burial will be in Brookdale Cemetery, Elyria where Elyria V.F.W. # 1079 will conduct military honors. Memorial contributions may be made to Elyria V.F.W. # 1079, 500 South Abbe Road Elyria, OH 44035 or American Legion Post 12, 393 Ohio St., Elyria, OH 44035. For online condolences, visit www.dickenfuneralhome.com



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Carolyn Grant Denman posted:

Dear Denise and Tom, I am so sorry to hear of your Father's passing. I am glad you had him in your lives for such a long time. Carolyn

February 7 at 8:00 PM

JR

Joyce Goodspeed Rush posted:

Dear Helen, Denise, David and Tom, I was so sorry to hear of Tom's passing. I've known him since I was a little girl and he worked with my dad on his days off from the fire department. He was always kind and had a great wit. How nice it is to think of him healthy and with those who have gone ahead. I will think of you all tomorrow as you celebrate his life and add my own prayers for you all. Joyce Rush Deerwood, MN

February 7 at 8:00 PM

AG

Ann Marie Goodspeed posted:

Uncle Tom was a wonderful man and will also be remembered.... We love and will miss you

February 6 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Joseph by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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