



Richard (Dick) Everett Peden Sr.

March 21, 1920 - April 8, 2015

Richard Everett Peden, Sr (Dick), 95, of Kingston, TN Died Wednesday, April 8, 2015 at the Shannondale Assisted Living Facility, Knoxville, TN. He was married for over 72 years to Annette Grace Riseley Peden, who died 6 days earlier, April 2, 2015. Dick was born March 21, 1920, in Grove City, PA, son of the late David Stanton Peden and Mary Louella Giebner Peden. He was a graduate of Grove City High School, Grove City, PA. After graduation from High School, he worked at Pratt & Whitney Aircraft in East Hartford, before entering the United States Army Air Corps in World War II. After the war, he worked as a jeweler with his Dad in his parents' Jewelry Store in Grove City, while earning his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Grove City College. Following graduation, he worked in the Plant and Equipment Division at Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, TN, for over 30 years. In 1959 he designed and accompanied a display depicting to the world America's commitment to peaceful uses of atomic energy. Built for the Tokyo International Trade Fair, the display was later housed for many years in the American Museum of Science and Energy. A Kingston resident, formerly of Green Acres subdivision since 1956, Dick was a member of the Kingston United Methodist Church and active there for over 60 years including membership in the United Methodist Men, Sunday School teaching, chaperoning the Methodist Youth Fellowship. He served on the Building Committee, and most memorably, he designed and then maintained for over 40 years the church HVAC system. He was a dedicated member of Kingston

Rotary for many years, in recent years faithfully publishing the weekly Rotary bulletin. Dick also owned the Oak Ridge Heating and Air Conditioning Company for 40 years. He was an inventor, a builder, a restorer of machines, appliances, the family home, jewelry and much more. He loved camping and traveling around the world with his wife. Surviving are two sisters, Louise Mary (Polly) Peden Mossman of Knoxville, TN, and Ada Rose Peden Mueller of Grove City, PA, six children, Barbara Dry (Eddie) of Red River, NM, Caryl Griffin Russell (Rick) of Piney Flats, TN, Jeanne Nolan, Richard E Peden, Jr, Patty Walden, and Robert J. Peden (Susan) of Kingston, TN, nineteen grandchildren, twenty-two great grandchildren, one great-great grandchild and numerous nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a daughter, Linda, in 1944, and three sisters, Sylvia Peden Story, Norma Peden Walker Gras, and Janet Peden Vogan. Visitation of Family and Friends will be held on Saturday, April 11, 2015, at 3pm followed by a Celebration of Life Service for Dick at 4pm, and Interment of ashes for both Dick and his wife, Annette, at Kingston United Methodist Church, 212 W Church St, Kingston, TN with the Reverends Todd Chancey and Sue Lynn Johnson officiating. Memorials in lieu of flowers can be sent to Kingston United Methodist Church Missions Fund to support drilling of a well in Kenya.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 11. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Kingston United Methodist Church
212 W Church St
Kingston, TN 37763

Celebration of Life

APR 11. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Richard and Patti, I am so sorry about your father but I believe he has joined your mother in heaven and I know you believe. That too. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Marie Ruby and Cindy and Sandy

Delcia Ruby - April 09, 2015 at 02:48 PM

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“ *Dear Richard,
So sorry to hear about your Mom and Dad. Peace be to their memory.*

*Love,
Kathy and Glenn Cole.*

Kathleen Cole - April 09, 2015 at 09:01 AM