



## E. LeRoy Dick Obituary

October 26, 1923 - May 11, 2005

Edward LeRoy Dick was born on October 26, 1923 to Clarence and Anna Dick growing up in Waynesboro, PA. He was baptized at the age of 12 and became a member of the Waynesboro Church of the Brethren. Following high school he worked at various jobs and in 1948, he entered the Brethren Volunteer Service. His project was in the migrant camp in Belle Glade, Florida. After his year in BVS, he returned to Church World Service Center and was employed as their printer. In 1950, a group of weekend volunteers from the Myerstown Church of the Brethren visited Church World Service Center. In this group was Evelyn Burkholder who six months later became his bride. God called him to the ministry and in 1953 he entered Bethany Bible Training School and in the summer of 1954, he was licensed into the ministry by Myerstown Church of the Brethren. He was ordained to the Eldership at Middle District Conference in Pine Glen Church of the Brethren in Lewistown, PA. He has served as Executive Director of the King Ferry, NY Migrant Camp for the New York Council of Churches, on the Board of the Indiana State Pastors Conference, Williamsburg School Board, Board of Pennsylvania Urban Housing, Moderator of Middle District of Pennsylvania, Chairman of the Advisory Board for Blair County Child Welfare, and was on the mission field in Haiti until February 2005. As president and founder of Vine Ministry, Inc., he developed a literacy program, established a 4 year accredited Bible School, implemented an urban agriculture program, a child sponsorship program, taught Bible to a group of 25 mountain pastors. In 1990 he began the Vine

Evangelical Church in a banana grove in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. He was also an Elder Advisor at Life Gate Church in Albany. Pastor Dick pastored in NY, IN, PA and served as a missionary /pastor in Haiti. Survivors include: his wife of 53 years Evelyn B. Dick of Albany; a son James Edward Dick (Jo Ellen) of Goshen IN; 3 daughters; Mary Dick of Granton WI, Susan Ann Dick Palumbo (Chester) of Durham NC, and Amy Dick Brock (Bill) of Chesapeake VA; 13 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren; a brother Holles Dick of Punta Gorda FL; a special adopted family, Arie & Geke van Gorp of Gouda, Holland; and many more special friends. In lieu of flowers the family request that memorials be made to Vine Church Building Fund Haiti, P.O. Box 71283, Albany, GA 31708.

# Tribute Wall



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“ *We appreciate reading the Vine Ministry newsletters since we personally met LeRoy and Evelyn in person at Conestoga church of the Brethren in Leola, PA some years ago. We were sorry to hear of his illness and passing on, but I am sure although he will be sorely missed, he is happy today with His saviour. Blessings, the Martins'of Lititz, PA.*

**Howard and Erla Martin** - June 07, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ *LeRoy was dear friend for many years. He was great support to us in our time of need. Our prayers go with Evelyn and family. Evelyn was a sincere help to LeRoy. God Bless in these difficult times. Wendell and Joan*

**Wendell and Joan Bohrer** - June 03, 2005 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ Dear Evelyn and Family: We extend to you our love and heart felt sympathy. Pauline and I loved and appreciated brother Leroy. We are thankful for the times we were able to share together on this side of glory and we look forward to seeing brother Leroy again in God's perfect Kingdom.

We know that death is not the victor, but in the Lord Jesus Christ we are more than conquerors. (Romans 8:35-39) The sting of death is real, yet we praise God that He will remove the sting of death and give His people the eternal, everlasting victory. (I Cor. 15:55-58)  
God Bless!

In Christ,  
Ron Page

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Ronald E. Page - May 31, 2005 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ Greetings and comfort in the name of Jesus. Evelyn, you and LeRoy have been an inspiration and encouragement as precious and practical and gracious and faithful witnesses for Christ Jesus down through the years. May the fruit of your contacts and relationships and labors continue to be multiplied.

Grace and Peace,  
Roger and Mim Eberly

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Roger & Mim Eberly - May 31, 2005 at 12:00 AM

IM

“ My deepest condolences to Evelyn and all the family. Rev. Dick has been faithful to duty through all the years, and has left a legacy in Haiti that will be lasting. May God bless you with peace.

I. McDonald

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Inez McDonald - May 30, 2005 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ I believe my mother, Inez, has expressed my feelings for your loss for all of us. My heart goes out to you and your family for the loss of such a spirit filled man. God bless all of the family.

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**Marshall McDonald** - May 30, 2005 at 12:00 AM

WC

“ LeRoy or "Tonton Noel" as he was called at the Club was loved by all. He was our Santa Claus, our friend, and our best customer for lunch. Everyone here in Haiti misses him but live with our good memories of him. God Bless.

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**WilliamEvans / The Petionville Club** - May 27, 2005 at 12:00 AM

LZ

“ We only met LeRoy once. But that one time established a respect and admiration for his purpose in life which we admired. Our deepest condolences to all his family. Louie & Lana

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**Louie & Lana Zamora** - May 24, 2005 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ I know Susan Palumbo and she is evidence of this godly man's achievements. My sincerest prayers for all of you in this time. Thank God, we shall meet him in Heaven!  
Love,  
Joy Millner

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**Joy H. Millner** - May 22, 2005 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ I'am one of his MANY grandchildren!! I thought that the service was wonderful. Also, the people were very friendly in charge of the service. MY grandfather was the kindest man, and will always be remembered for his love and work given to everyone

~sarah

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**Sarah Palumbo** - May 22, 2005 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ One of your greatest accomplishments is the daughter I know as Susan. She is a blessing to all that know her.

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**Mike Mayer** - May 22, 2005 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ We will miss LeRoy terribly - a one in a million guy: a dear dear friend to us; a very wise and respected "counselor" and teacher; a quick wit; Ton-ton Noel, gentle and caring, loyal friend to many from all walks of life and viewpoints....so many memories of LeRoy from knowing him in Haiti. We are so sorry that we were unable to come to the Memorial service this week. We love you, Evleyn.

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**Sandra and Ray Van der Pol** - May 21, 2005 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Just know that in the days and weeks ahead that you are not alone as you grieve the loss of this precious loved one. We are lifting you and yours up in prayer.

Love,

Jason and Linda B.  
Goshen, IN

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**Jason and Linda Bontreger** - May 21, 2005 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ hey lizzy,  
well i just wanted to stop and say hey i just got home from work and im getting ready to go to bed, ya know long boring day of school tommorrow. i thought about you a lot today and im sure you know that, things just get stressful so i go somewhere alone to sit and talk to you but it helps and makes me feel better. i love talking to you!! well baby girl i love you n miss you bunches.xoxo

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**Jenna** - May 16, 2005 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ i am very sorry for you loss, i dont know really who you are but while signing my best friends guestbook that was killed in a accident recently i got switched over to this man's guestbook, i'm very sorry

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**Jenna** - May 16, 2005 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ I send prayers and heartfelt sympathy your way as I know this is a very sorrowful time. I met Leroy thru my brother Alan Greer @ Lifegate Church. Leroy was so very kind to me when I myself was going thru a sorrowful time. May you sense the peace of God in a new & now way.  
Anne Greer Norman

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**Anne Greer Norman** - May 15, 2005 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. We count it a blessing to have known Mr. Dick. He was always sincere and passionate about his work and an inspiration to those around him.

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**Roy and Donna Philemon** - May 15, 2005 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ *Please know that all of your family is in our thoughts & prayers.*

*Love, David, Shannon, Chelsea & Jackson Nicholson Graham, NC*

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**Shannon Nicholson** - May 14, 2005 at 12:00 AM