



Dana Bender

July 20, 2011

Dana Hartsel Bender, 87 of Hacker Valley, WV went home to be with the Lord on July 20, 2011 at Charleston Area Medical Center Memorial Division. He was born April 5, 1924 in Bendertown to John D. and Mae Fisher Bender and was a coal miner. He spent most of his adult life in Webster County and attended Word of Life Fellowship Church in Diana. He enjoyed hunting and fishing and was a lifetime member of the NAHC and UMWA. He was a former member of the Union Valley Gospel Quartet.

Hartsel is survived by his wife Delores Gene Woods Bender; sons Eddie (Nora) Bender of Webster Springs, Dana (Diane) Bender of Versailles, Kentucky, and David (Nova) Bender of Webster Springs; step-sons Danny (Diane) Bender of Hacker Valley, Ronnie (Mary) Bender of Trenton, Florida, Donzel (Teresa) Bender of Hacker Valley, Scott (Chasity) Bender of Buckhannon; Danny Roby of Cleveland, Ohio; step-daughters Barbara (Gary) Simmons of Lodi, Ohio, Viola "Buggs" (Andy) Fisher of Hobbs, New Mexico, Janet (Bob Clark) Wolford of Salem, WV, Kathy (Emmitt McElwain) Haymond of Rock Cave, and Carolyn Paul of Sheffield Lake, Ohio; brothers Harley Bender of Staunton, Virginia and Donald Bender of Geneva, Ohio; sisters Louise (Kenneth) Channell of Ohio, Rose Lipps of Ohio, Jean (Mark) Rector of Clarksburg, Waneta Schriver of Clarksburg, and Della (Emery) Cowger of Nutter Fort; grandchildren Lynn, Kerry, Tim, Kelly, Dwayne, Bekka, and Jeremy; 15 great-grandchildren; 16 step-grandchildren, and numerous step-

great-grandchildren and step-great-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife Marie Skeens Bender; second wife Alta Mae Silman Bender; daughter Deanna Leone; brother William Bender; and sisters Anna (Earl Jr.) Channell, Ruby (Bernard) Skeens, Ruth Bright, and several infant brothers and sisters.

Friends may join the family for visitation on Friday, July 22, 2011 from 6-9 PM at Dodd & Reed Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be held on Saturday at 2 PM at the Funeral Home with Rev. Marty Cowger officiating. Interment will follow in Harrison Cochran Cemetery, Webster Springs.

Tribute Wall

Jl

“ Grandpa Hartsel was a truly great man. He was there for me when no one else was, fed me when there was no food, and always had kind words and hugs for me. We made each other laugh. He was a great friend. I will remember you as a great man that you were, a loving father, a wonderful grandfather, and the best of friends. You are with Marie now, watching over us all. There's a hole in my heart without you here but, one day we will meet again my friend.

julie ison - June 13, 2012 at 10:58 AM

ZB

“ We will miss grandpa hartsel. He is in good hands now. I loveed my grandpa hartsel. Everyone loved him like we did. Love you, Zachery bender

zachery bender - October 13, 2011 at 12:14 PM

NW

“ Since my sisters & I planned to attend the Bender reunion we were so sorry to learn of Hartsels death. However we did get to be with him and Jean at our reunion the 17th. He was so happy. We did attend the viewing "Friday evening and what a legecy he left. Not too many special people like him. But we know he is in heaven and doing quiet well. Me and my sisters want to send a contribution to his hunting club. Can you let me know who I make the check out to and the address? You all are in our prayers and thoughts daily. Love you, Your cousin, Nola

Nola Fisher Weber - July 25, 2011 at 11:25 AM

JO

“ Uncle Hartsel was one of the finest man I ever knew and I am proud to call him my uncle the world needs alot more men like him I will miss him deeply and my prayers are with all of you at this time He will be deeply missed God Bless and keep you in the shelter of His arms and wrap you tighly in his comfort Love to all Joanie

JoanBrightStevenson - July 23, 2011 at 04:28 PM

RR

“ Dave ...Sorry to hear of the passing of your father...You have ton's of wonderful memories and stories to pass to the grand children.Dave you and I are in the same boat...We have more on the other side than we have here it seems.Thank GOD for his promise of a great reunion day to come.

Rich Robertson - July 22, 2011 at 02:45 PM

DC

“ To the Bender Family, I remember Hartsel so well. He was a wonderful person. I remember being in church with him as a young girl. He was a friend to my parents. I went to school with Eddie, Dana and David. My heart goes out to all of you. May God comfort you in this time of sorrow.

Doris Alkire Cogar - July 21, 2011 at 10:30 AM

DF

“ We will miss Uncle Hartsel terribly. He was a wonderful loving and caring man. He always had a welcoming smile for anyone and everyone. We love you Uncle Hartsel.

David Skeens Family - July 21, 2011 at 10:01 AM