



## Dennis Tachick

May 1, 1918 - May 1, 2013

Dennis L. Tachick, 95, of Powers, passed away on Wednesday, May 1, 2013 at Pinecrest Medical Care Facility in Powers, MI.

He was born February 23, 1918 in Pound, WI, son of the late John and Minnie (Dora) Tachick. Dennis grew up in Kingsford, Michigan and graduated from Kingsford High School in 1935. He retired after working more than 41 years in the rural electrification field. His work included 11 years in office and field positions with the Rural Electrification Administration and 30 years with the former Eastern Illinois Power Cooperative in Paxton, Illinois where he served as General Manager for 23 years. He and his late wife, Audrey, were active, long-time members in the Covenant Church, both in Paxton, Illinois and Iron Mountain, Michigan. Tachick was an avid fisherman and in retirement in Iron Mountain, could be found most days on the Peavy backwaters, fishing pole in hand.

He is survived by a son, Dennis, a daughter, Carol, 3 grandchildren, and 5 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Audrey, and grandson, Christopher.

The family would like to acknowledge the compassionate care he received from the staff at Pinecrest Medical Care Facility the last 10 years of his life.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, May 7, from 12:00 to 1:00 pm at the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. The funeral service will follow at 1:00 pm at the funeral home. Rev. Peter Erickson will officiate. Burial will be in the Pound Cemetery

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Dennis Tachick online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com).

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the funeral arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 7. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home  
901 Carpenter Ave.  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

## Funeral Service

MAY 7. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

DD

“ Dennis hired me to become the Office Manager at Eastern Illinois Power Cooperative in 1975. I worked with Dennis until his retirement in 1983.

*I've always remembered the wonderful laugh Dennis had. When something got him laughing his whole body would shake. I'm 6'5" tall so Dennis was much shorter than me. And, I was fairly skinny, and Dennis wasn't. He liked to tell people that when he started working in Paxton that he was tall and skinny like me, and so he expected that I would be his size in the future. Then he'd laugh and laugh. I'll never forget that image I have of him.*

*I feel that I have been blessed to have special people cross my path and almost by chance become a part of my life. Dennis was one of these special people for me.*

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**David fricke - Paxton, IL - Worked for and with Dennis - May 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

DF

“ I have always respected and admired Mr. Tachick. We worked together in the Illinois electric cooperative business. He was the GM of Eastern Illinois Power Cooperative (EIPC) and I was in Management at Illini Electric Cooperative (IEC). EIPC and IEC consolidated our operations in 1987 to form Eastern Illini Electric Cooperative (EIEC). So since then I have been working in the same building that Dennis worked in for so many years. We always looked forward to when Dennis and Audrey would come back to Paxton for the Annual Meetings. Dennis and I sat in the office and visited for hours about things that had changed over the years of his career and then over the years since he had retired. The foundation that he built as the cooperative developed over the years made it possible for EIEC to prosper for its member/owners during all of these years and well into the future. Thank you Dennis!!

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**Dave Champion - Paxton, IL - Business Friend** - May 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ Dennis-I only met you once before you were in the nursing home. You came to my home in Appleton with Carol and what troopers you and Audrey were. You were en route with Carol for her to reconnect with an old high school teacher. I loved how friendly you were. Then. . .years later I would go with Carol to visit you in the nursing home in Powers. It was a joy to see you and the other residents. I especially liked seeing the enjoyment on the faces as Carol played the piano for you and your friends there. Take Care-hopefully you have a fishing pole in your hand.

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**Kathy Meyer - Appleton, WI - Friend of Carols** - May 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM