



Dorney Family House in East Texas
1940s

Richard Paul Dorney
Sergeant First Class U.S. Army
10 January 1949 – 18 May 1952

Richard was born at home on 6 August 1930 in Cetronia, Pennsylvania. In 1935, his family moved from Cetronia to the Village of East Texas, Pennsylvania, in Lower Macungie Township, where he attended grades 1 through 8 at East Texas School, a two-room schoolhouse. He then attended Emmaus High School in Emmaus, Pennsylvania, for two years before going to work in 1946 as a Pressman in the family-owned printing business. Richard's father, **Warren Paul Dorney** (9 July 1903 – 30 December 1949) had started the Dorney Printing business in 1939 in a chicken coop behind their home by the crossroads in East Texas. Richard enlisted as a Private in the Army National Guard in Allentown, Pennsylvania, on 10 January 1949, where he was assigned to Battery B, 213th AAA Gun Battalion (90mm). On 29 August 1950, the Battalion was ordered to active duty



East Texas School

and, after preparations and training for overseas duty, they left for Korea where he served with the Battalion at Pusan from 11 November 1951 until returning to the States in May 1952. Richard was awarded the Korean Service Medal (w/2 bronze stars) and the United Nations Service Medal for his service in Korea. He was discharged in Allentown on 18 May 1952, and returned home to East Texas where he resumed working for the family business as a Pressman. In June 1956, Richard, with his mother



90mm AAA Gun in Korea

Mabel Pearl (Stauffer) Dorney (born 6 May 1908) and his two brothers, **William**

Kenneth and **Robert Cleon**, formed a partnership called "The Dorney Printing Company." Richard became Plant Supervisor for Dorney Printing in 1965. Another company, Day-Timers (owned by a local attorney, Morris Perkin), was a major client of theirs and, in January 1969, the two companies merged and continued under the name Day-Timers, Inc. The business expanded into other buildings on the property, and eventually acquired adjacent property, where the East Texas Hotel once stood, to erect a new building. Day-Timers was bought by Beatrice Foods Company in 1972. Richard continued as Director of Manufacturing for Day-Timers under Beatrice Foods, and later under several other companies that subsequently bought Day-Timers, until his retirement in 1995. Richard's first wife was **Romona Florence Rozello**, who died circa 2006. They were married in Elkins, Maryland, circa 1955, and lived in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, until 1964. They were divorced in 1965. Richard and Romona had two children: **Kerry Allen** and **Richard Paul II**. Richard married **Eunice Miriam (McKee) Foulds** (born 9 November 1937) on 22 December 1973 in Macungie, Pennsylvania. They made their home in Emmaus until moving to Coopersburg, Pennsylvania, in 2000. Eunice had two children by a previous marriage: **Thomas Edward Foulds** and **Timothy Irvin Foulds**. Both of Richard's brothers, William and Robert, served in the Army during World War II. Of note is that during 1944 and 1945, Dorney Printing printed, at no charge, *The Home-Town Mirror*, a local newspaper sponsored by the Wescosville Fire Company to provide news of area servicemen and other area events for the servicemen wherever they were serving and to their families at home. Many of the local residents volunteered their services to publish the newspaper, including Richard's sister, **Jean Arlene**, who was a reporter for *The Home-Town Mirror*.