

Obituaries

First Lutheran Cemetery

Volga, SD

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| Name | Born | Died | Lot | Grave |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|-------|-------|
| A | | | | |
| Ahnberg, Alvin Julius | 1911 | 1960/10/14 | N-018 | 2 |
| Albright, Verna | 1926 | 2003 | W-055 | 4 |
| B | | | | |
| Becker, Norma Elizabeth | 1911/07/19 | 1976/03/04 | N-058 | 4 |
| Becker, Raymond John Elmer (Cub) | 1913/06 | 1999/10/23 | N-058 | 5 |
| Berg, Alfred | | 1972/10/09 | 20-2 | 6 |
| D | | | | |
| De Knikker, Henry | 1916 | 1998/09/06 | F-45 | 3 |
| Doscher, Marlene | 1934 | 2003/06/03 | N-041 | 4 |
| E | | | | |
| Elverud, Harry | 1919/05/03 | 2004/03/14 | N-016 | 2 |
| Elverud, Mary | 1883 | 1962/05/31 | N-016 | 4 |
| Elverud, Tom | 1882 | 1954/07/20 | N-016 | 5 |
| F | | | | |
| Frandsen, Maren Hansine | 1862/03/19 | 1949/08/26 | F-46 | 5 |
| G | | | | |
| Granum, Sylvan L | 1916 | 1986/05/24 | N-087 | 5 |
| Gruseth, Clarence J | 1894/02/23 | 1968/06/02 | 28-2 | 4 |
| Gruseth, Esther Caroline | 1904/03/01 | 1961/09/15 | 28-2 | 3 |
| Gruseth, John | 1864 | 1949/08/25 | 28-2 | 8 |
| Gruseth, Julia | 1869/04/01 | 1945/11/16 | 28-2 | 9 |
| H | | | | |
| Hanson, Harry Milford | 1902 | 1956/08/06 | N-010 | 5 |
| Hanson, Ida Reffling (Mrs Ole) | 1881/03/15 | 1903/12/03 | 14-3 | 2 |
| Hanson, Marie | 1887 | 1941/07/20 | F-18 | 5 |
| Hanson, Norvin | 1906 | 1989/08/21 | N-009 | 3 |
| Hanson, Ole | 1871 | 1945/08/12 | F-18 | 6 |
| Holm, Oral A | 1917/06/05 | 2004/05/13 | F-36 | 3 |
| K | | | | |
| Knutson, Josephine Irene | 1912/04/17 | 2004/04/24 | N-098 | 5 |
| L | | | | |
| Leite, Edna Theodora | 1880/07/29 | 1970/07/29 | 17-3 | 8 |
| Leite, Emma Gurina | 1874/12/27 | 1953/10/07 | N-022 | 3 |
| Leite, George K | 1862/06/13 | 1944/04/16 | 02-4 | 8 |
| Leite, Gunvor | 1836/10/24 | 1910/05/24 | 02-4 | 4 |
| Leite, Gustav K | 1873/07/26 | 1950/07/24 | 17-3 | 7 |
| Leite, John K (aka Johan K) | 1876/12/03 | 1965/08/22 | 02-4 | 2 |
| Leite, Klifford Albin | 1907/12/24 | 1964/07/14 | N-022 | 2 |
| Leite, Knudt | 1830/12/05 | 1922/04/25 | 02-4 | 3 |
| Leite, Nels K | 1867/04/27 | 1955/01/29 | N-022 | 4 |

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| M | | | | |
| Mannerud, Colesta L | 1905/09/28 | 2003/05/25 | 06-2 | 5 |
| Mannerud, Nona | 1938 | 1996/04/09 | 06-2 | 4 |
| Matson, Lorraine A | 1929 | 1992 | N-109 | 1 |
| Minor, Gladys L Ahnberg | 1911/12/03 | 2003/12/28 | N-018 | 1 |
| N | | | | |
| Nelson, Albert G | 1871 | 1954/03/26 | 30-2 | 11 |
| Nelson, Anna | 1883 | 1958/01/17 | 13-3 | 4 |
| Nelson, Arne Gerhard | 1911 | 1985/03/07 | 30-2 | 8 |
| Nelson, Sena Caroline | 1886 | 1954/08/03 | 30-2 | 12 |
| Nielsen, Annie T | 1909 | 1995/12/26 | F-36 | 5 |
| Nielson, Franklin Andrew | 1901 | 1985/12/22 | F-36 | 6 |
| O | | | | |
| Oines, Orvis Amous | 1918/11/25 | 1987/03/25 | N-102 | 5 |
| Olson, Allen Milton | 1933 | 1998/07/10 | W-003 | 5 |
| R | | | | |
| Reffling, Henry | 1886 | 1898/04/28 | 14-3 | 1 |
| Reffling, Mathias | 1844 | 1927/04/28 | 14-3 | 4 |
| Reffling, Oscar | 1882 | 1940/11/28 | 14-3 | 12 |
| Reffling, Sina | 1856 | 1917/01/25 | 14-3 | 3 |
| Roso, Ragnild | 1885 | 1964/10/21 | F-17 | 5 |
| S | | | | |
| Strand, Christie | 1865/06/20 | 1957/07/03 | 02-4 | 11 |
| Strande, Raymond M | 1904 | 1996 | 21-2 | 3 |
| Stumley, Paul Alfred | 1929/04/08 | 2003/05/22 | 09-4 | 1 |
| Swarthing Angie Cornelia | 1908 | 1988/11/24 | 30-2 | 1 |
| Swenning, Arthur A | 1941/08/04 | 2003/03/25 | N-119 | 2 |
| T | | | | |
| Tofte, Dale S | 1932/09/26 | 2004/08/22 | W-031 | 2 |
| V | | | | |
| Vostad, Richard D | 1934 | 1984/02/24 | N-053 | 4 |
| W | | | | |
| Warnes, Alvin | 1907 | 2001/04/12 | 05-1 | 2 |
| Warnes, Anna | 1902 | 1961/12/15 | 16-1 | 2 |
| Z | | | | |
| Ziegler, Judy | 1942 | 2003 | W-054 | 2 |
| Ziegler, Ron | 1938 | 2003 | W-054 | 1 |

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God hath not promised
 Skies always blue,
 Flower-strewn pathways
 All our lives through;
 God hath not promised
 Sun without rain,
 Joy without sorrow,
 Peace without pain.

But God hath promised
 Strength for the day,
 Rest for the labor,
 Light for the way.
 Grace for the trials,
 Help from above,
 Unfailing sympathy
 Undying love

**In Memory Of
 ALVIN JULIUS AHNBERG**

Date of Birth August 12, 1911
Date of Death October 14, 1960

Place and Time of Service
 First Lutheran Church
 Volga, South Dakota
 Two o'clock P. M.
 Tuesday, October 18, 1960

Interment
 First Lutheran Cemetery
 Volga, South Dakota

Clergyman
 Rev. Luther C. Bergeland

Music
 Mrs. Wilmer Nelson, Soloist
 Mrs. John Miller, Organist

Pallbearers
 Alfred Bergh
 Oscar Berg
 Kenneth Liebsch
 Albert Knutson
 Byno Weber
 Lyal Parks

Arrangements by
 Lee Funeral Home

Verna Elizabeth (Strande) Albright was born February 3, 1926, at Volga, South Dakota, to Martin and Clara (Larson) Strande. She died Saturday, December 27, 2003, at the age of 77 at Kingsbury Memorial Manor in Lake Preston, South Dakota.

She graduated from Volga High School in 1943. On October 7, 1944, she married George Albright in Brookings, South Dakota. Verna worked in the Brookings County Treasurer's office, the Volga Co-op office, the Volga Post Office, and Lyle's Grocery just before she retired.

Verna was a life-long member of First Lutheran Church in Volga, where she attended faithfully and belonged to a women's circle. She and George belonged to the Circle and Swing Square Dance Club for many years. She also enjoyed sewing, baking, walking, traveling, attending basketball games at Sioux Valley, and spending time with her kids and grandkids, for whom she baked her special angel food cake for their birthdays.

Survivors include her husband of 59 years, George Albright, of Volga; two daughters: Becky (Lloyd) Holter of Volga and Tamara Knolley of Volga; four grandchildren: Timothy Holter, Lee (fiancée Janelle) Holter, Brooks Knolley, and Bridget Gifford; and two great-grandchildren, Teagan and Tatiana Holter. She was preceded in death by her parents, four sisters, and three brothers.

Mrs. Raymond J. Becker services held Monday at First Lutheran

Funeral services were held Monday for Mrs. Raymond J. Becker, 64, at the First Lutheran Church of Volga. Rev. James Hulberg officiated. Interment was at the First Lutheran Cemetery.

Norma Elizabeth Leite was born July 19, 1911, in Volga. She married Raymond J. Becker March 18, 1937, at Montrose. She spent the greatest part of her lifetime in Volga as a schoolteacher and homemaker. She was a member of First Lutheran Church, ALCW Circle, Fortnightly Club and Century Club.

Mrs. Becker died March 4 at her home at 624 E. Hwy. 14, Volga. 1976

She is survived by her



husband, one daughter, Mrs. John (Lois Rae) Bell of Minneapolis, Minn.; three grandchildren, Michael, James and Jane Bell; one sister, Mrs. Sivert (Violetta) Hadda of Lincoln, Neb.; and two brothers, Arthur Leite of Volga and Walter Leite of Glendive, Mont.



In Loving Memory Of
Raymond J. "Cub" Becker

Funeral Service
11:00AM Monday, November 1, 1999
First Lutheran Church, Volga, SD
Pastor Dennis Ellingson, **Officiating**
Dorothy Weisser, **Organist**
Edith Murfield, **Soloist**
Hymns
Day By Day
Amazing Grace
Congregational Hymns
The Old Rugged Cross #186
Great Is Thy Faithfulness #43
Interment
Volga Lutheran Cemetery

Raymond J. Becker was born on June 5, 1913 in Oldham, South Dakota the son of Charles and Louisa Becker. He died suddenly on Saturday, October 23, 1999, in Mesa, AZ at the age of 86 years.

Raymond was united in marriage to Norma Leite on March 18, 1937 in Montrose, South Dakota, and lived in Volga, South Dakota for 40 years. Cub was employed for the Standard Oil Company for 25 years and also farmed near Volga. Norma died on March 4, 1976 in Volga. Cub has spent the last 18 years living in Mesa, AZ.

He was a member of the First Lutheran Church. He was very active in the community and served on the Volga School Board for 25 years and 40 years with the Fire Department.

Cub is survived by one daughter Lois Rae Bell and her husband John of Garrison, MN; three grandchildren Michael Bell and his wife Mary, Jane Becker and her husband Chad all of Andover, MN, James Bell and his wife Tami of Warren, MI; four great grandchildren, who were the light of his life, Erin, McKenzie, Haydn and Jack; one brother Herbert Becker and his wife Margaret of Hartford, SD; one sister Viola Peterson of DeSmet, SD; a sister-in-law Viletta Haddal of Lincoln, NE and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife and one sister Adeline Stream.

Alfred M. Berg, age 72, passed away after a lingering illness at De Smet Memorial Hospital, Monday, October 9, 1972.

Alfred Melvin Berg was born May 21, 1900, to parents Andrew and Malena Berg at Volga, S. Dak. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith. He attended school in the Volga area and here he grew to manhood. He was married to Della Dixon, January 20, 1934 at Brookings. After their marriage they lived in Brookings until 1942 when they moved to Oakland, Calif., where he was employed in the ship yards during the war. In 1946 they moved to De Smet where Alfred started the manufacturing of cement block. He operated this plant for 20 years before retiring.

He is survived by his wife, Della, of De Smet; one daughter, Mrs. Harry (June) Jepsen, Darango, Colo.; three sisters, Mrs. Anna Unger, Arlington, S. Dak., Mrs. Mark (Olga) Charlett, Brookings, Mrs. Clarence (Ida) Goodroad, Brookings; three brothers, Edwin, of Cumberland, Wis., Oscar of Hysham, Mont., and Gust of Volga; five grandchildren, nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother Carl.

**In Memory of
ALFRED M. BERG**

May 21, 1900

October 9, 1972

Services at

First Lutheran Church, 2 p.m.
Friday, October 13, 1972
Volga, S. Dak.

Clergyman

The Rev. James Hulberg

Music by

Mrs. James Hall
Mrs. Ivan Kukuk
Miss Alma Brendsel, organist

Casket-bearers

| | |
|--------------|---------------|
| Donald Dixon | Larry Bennett |
| Ralph Myers | Eugene Berg |
| John Bennett | Marvin Dunn |

Interment

Volga Lutheran Cemetery
Volga, S. Dak.



Henry De Knikker was born June 24, 1916, near Valley Springs, South Dakota, to John and Johanna (Ver Weij) DeKnikker. He died Sunday, September 6, 1998, at the United Retirement Center in Brookings, South Dakota, at the age of 82.

When Henry was six months old the family moved to Brookings County. He worked for farmers as a young man and moved into Volga in 1938. On June 30, 1940, he married Ethelyn Erickson. He worked for Oines Implement and Chevrolet for 22 years. He then delivered water to rural customers for 17 years.

Henry was a member of the Volga Volunteer Fire Department for 25 years. He served on the First Lutheran Cemetery board and was a church usher for several years. He helped with Boy Scout activities and made children's building blocks, cutting boards, footstools and rolling pins as a hobby.

Survivors include his wife, Ethelyn, of Volga; a son Dennis (La Dean) DeKnikker, of Grand Forks, North Dakota; three daughters: Diane (Richard) Gunderson of St. Paul, Minnesota, Julie (Larry) Lustfield of Brookings, and Marta (Rodney) Neuman of Faulkton, South Dakota; nine grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; four step-great-grandchildren; and a sister, Anna Kocourck of Omaha, Nebraska. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers: Gerrit, Bert, John, Dick, Arthur and (infant) Henry; and a sister, Jennie Foster.

In Loving Memory
HENRY DE KNIKKER
 June 24, 1916 September 6, 1998

Funeral Services
 10:30 A.M. Wednesday, September 9, 1998
 First Lutheran Church
 Volga, South Dakota

Clergy
 Pastor Dennis Ellingsen

Music
 Dorothy Weisser, Organist
 Jane Utecht, Pianist
 Jeraldine Weinacht, Vocalist
 "Rock Of Ages"
 "The Lord's Prayer"
 Congregational Hymns
 LBW No. 165 "Holy, Holy, Holy"
 LBW No. 532 "How Great Thou Art"

Pallbearers

| | |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Mike Wakeman | Keith Gunderson |
| Chad Neuman | Vern Laubenthal |
| Erik Gunderson | Troy Snyder |

Tim VanMaanen

Interment
 First Lutheran Cemetery
 Volga, South Dakota

Address: FUNERAL HOME

She died Tues., June 3, 2003 in Dells Area Health Center, Dell Rapids, SD at the age of 69 years. Survived by 3 daughters Pamela Anderson (Dale), Quartzsite, AZ, Patricia Doscher, Howard; Victoria Skaife, Boscobel, WI; 2 sons Rodney Doscher, Sioux Falls; Kevin Doscher (Jessica), Brookings; 11 grandchildren; 6 great grandchildren; 3 sisters Loretta Ball (James), Roseville, CA, Verla Herron, Hutchinson, KS, Lois Carroll, Mitchell; & 1 brother Gary Carpenter, St. Paul, MN. Funeral Service 11 AM Fri., June 6, 2003 at Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church, Brookings. Visitation from 4-7 PM Thurs. at Rude's Funeral Home Brookings.

Harry Milford Elverud was born May 3, 1919, in Oslo Township near Volga, South Dakota, to Tom and Mary (Lund) Elverud. He died Sunday, March 14, 2004, at the United Retirement Center in Brookings, South Dakota.

Harry attended country school in Oslo District No. 97. On October 17, 1942, he married Clarice Selland at Nunda, South Dakota. Harry and Clarice farmed on the family farm until retiring in 1988.

Harry was a member of First Lutheran Church where he had served as a trustee and on the cemetery board. He was the clerk of Oslo District No. 97 country school. When the school closed, he purchased the building and moved it to the farm where he made it into a museum. He was a member of the Lake Campbell Sportsman's Club and the Sons of Norway.

Survivors include his wife, Clarice, of Volga; children: Larry (Nancy) Elverud of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Kathleen (Jerome) Nusz of Sioux Falls, Cynthia (Clyde) Ulvestad of Volga, and Mary Lou Albright of Rapid City, South Dakota; a niece and nephew who he and Clarice raised as their children: Julie Keiser and Harold Vostad, both of Beresford, South Dakota; fourteen grandchildren: Nicole (Dana) Salonen, Amber (Vikas) Khanna, Heather (Mike) Caron, Crystal (Jon) Paone, Ruben Nusz, Ben Nusz, Sarah (Loren) Keizer, Andrea Ulvestad, Carrie Albright, Tara Albright, Matt Keiser, Thomas Keiser, Justin Vostad, and Brandon Vostad; four great-grandchildren: Taylor, Dylan, Mia, and Sam; two brothers: Morris Elverud of Cornelius, Oregon, and Lloyd (Goldie) Elverud of Volga; and a sister, Ruby Kroeger, of Owatonna, Minnesota. He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Emil Elverud, and a sister, Mae Thompson.

Rites held for Mrs. Elverud

Mrs. Mary Elverud, 79, died in the Brookings Hospital May 31. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon in the First Lutheran Church with the Rev. Luther Bergeland officiating.

Mrs. Edward Lee was soloist, and the Rev. and Mrs. Luther Bergeland sang a duet. Alna Brendsel was organist. Interment was made in the Lutheran Cemetery with Thomas Elverud, Graydon Elverud, Donald Elverud, Rolland Elverud, Maynard Thompson and Dale E. Thompson as pallbearers.

Mary Lund was born in Norway March 22, 1883. At the age of 18 she came to the United States. She was married to Tom Elverud of Brookings in March, 1904, and in 1954 they celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. They farmed in the Volga vicinity for many years. Mr. Elverud died July 20, 1954. One son died in infancy.

Surviving are four sons, Emil of Nunda, Morris of Cornelius, Ore., Lloyd and Harry of Volga; two daughters, Mrs. Art Thompson (Mac) of Colman and Mrs. Harold Fulmer (Ruby) of Elkton; 22 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Hannah Sveve of Colton, Mrs. Inga Haugen of Madison, Wis., and Mrs. Carrie Bruheim of Norway; and two brothers, Ole Lund of Yankton and Nels Lund of Wolf Point, Mont.

We wish to thank all who assisted us in any way at the time of the death of our beloved mother and grandmother. Our special thanks for the memorial gifts, to the ladies who furnished the noon meal and lunch, and to all who expressed their sympathy.—The Family of Mary Elverud.

Obituary

Tom Elverud

Funeral services for the late Tom Elverud were held at 2 p.m. July 23 at the First Lutheran church in Volga with Rev. David Halbakken officiating.

Mr. Elverud, 71, died at the Volga hospital the evening of July 20 after a lingering illness.

Mrs. Edward Lee and Mrs. David Halbakken were soloists at the last rites, and Miss Alma Dreydel was organist. Honorary pallbearers were Luth Johnson, Hans Husby, Ole Swartos, Antor Rod, Benford Bjerke and Theodore Hanson.

Active pallbearers were six grandsons — Richard, Donald, Roger and Rolfe Elverud, Maynard and Wayne Thompson. Interment was made in the Volga Lutheran cemetery.

Tom Elverud was born to Mr. and Mrs. Iver Elverud in Kenyon, Minn., Dec. 12, 1882, and came with his parents to Brookings county when he was a year old. They settled on a farm near Lake Campbell.

On March 30, 1904, he was united in marriage to Mary Lund and moved to Sterling township, where he farmed for three years. They then moved to Oslo township and farmed until 1943, when they retired and moved to Volga. In 1947 they moved to a farm near Lake Campbell and lived in semi-retirement.

He is survived by his wife; four sons, Emil of Nunda, Morris of Aurora, Lloyd and Harry of Arthur Thompson of Colman and Mrs. Harold Fulmer of Elkton; two sisters, Mrs. Ed Twedt of Florence, Minn., and Mrs. Annet Mae of Bushnell, and 21 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and one sister.

MRS. HANSINE FRANDSEN

Mrs. Hansine Frandsen, 87-year-old pioneer of Volga, passed away early Friday morning at her home, after being bedridden for fifteen months. She had been a resident of the Volga community for 70 years.

Mrs. Frandsen came to Volga soon after the townsite was platted, and the family name is closely associated with the developing community, several of the townsite additions bearing this name. One addition is the block on which the school buildings stand, that land having been a gift of Mrs. Frandsen and her late husband at the time a new school was to be erected. The avenue between the school grounds and the family home is named "Hansine" in her honor.

Maren Hansine Frandsen was born March 19, 1862, at Sjolund, Denmark, the daughter of Maren and Peder Hansen. She came with her parents to this country at the age of three, the family settling in Dawson county, Minn. She spent her girlhood there and on September 18, 1879, was united in marriage to Jens Frandsen.

Mr. Frandsen came to Volga that fall and homesteaded the land that now includes the Gar-

land farm just east of Volga. The present Amie-Johnson farm was the Frandsen tree claim. Mrs. Frandsen came here the following spring, by railroad to the end of the line at Goodwin, Dakota Territory, and by mail-stage, which followed the plowed furrow that was the road mark from Goodwin to Oakwood. She walked from there to the farm here, knowing she had reached her destination when she recognized their cattle.

Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Frandsen, an infant daughter having passed away in 1880, and their daughter Mary (Mrs. Fred Owens) in 1929, at the age of 44. Jens Frandsen died in 1915. Her parents, two sisters and one brother preceded her in death.

A total of 65 descendants survive. They include her sons, Frank of Seattle, Wash., Peter of Casper, Wyo., and Marvin of Brookings; two daughters, Mathilde (Mrs. Jensen) of Lindsay, Mont., and Marthens (Mrs. Andrew Erickson) of Volga; also 23 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandson.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon, at 1:30 at the home and at 2 o'clock in the First Lutheran church. Rev. Karl Kildahl of Nevis, Minn., officiated, assisted by Student Pastor Alden Hovda. A quartet, Mrs. Edward Lee, Mrs. Regina Hoff, C. O. Lee, and Rev. Kildahl sang a hymn in the Norwegian language, "Herrens Venner Ingensinde," and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Amie sang "Under His Wings." Active pallbearers were Soren Bertelsen, Jens and Nels Terkelsen, Ben Borelson, Marvin Nelson and Chris Nelson. The honorary pallbearers were J. C. Hammer, A. H. Norvold, N. K. Leite, O. A. Oines Will Bohlke and Alex Nyman. Interment was made in the Volga cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Bunger of Minneapolis and Gerhard Anundson of Long Beach, Calif., visited at the A. H. Norvold home Wednesday night and Thursday last week.

Sylvan L. Granum was born September 10, 1916, at Volga, S.Dak. to Olger and Borghild (Vostad) Granum. He died at Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls, S.Dak., Saturday evening, May 24, 1986, at the age of 69 years, 8 months, and 14 days.

As a small child, Sylvan moved to Kennebec, S.Dak., where the family resided for several years before returning to Volga. On October 12, 1940, he married Arlene B. Nelson at Pipestone, Minn. The Granums farmed south of Volga for eleven years. Sylvan later worked as a heavy equipment operator, and since 1962 he has owned and operated Granum Construction. He was a member of First Lutheran Church in Volga.

Survivors include his wife, Arlene, of Volga; three sons: Gerald D. and Ronald D., both of Volga, and Rick S. of Brookings; two daughters: Mrs. Warren (Judy) Stokes of Brookings and Mrs. Dan (Sally) Roth of Volga; his mother, Borghild, of Volga; 18 grandchildren; two brothers: Carl of El Dorado, Ark., and Duane of St. Michael, Minn.; and four sisters: Mrs. Gerrit (Viola) Den Otter of Volga, Mrs. Vivian Linn of Sioux Falls, Mrs. Clayton (Janet) Den Otter of Volga, and Mrs. Allen (Frances) Olson of Bruce. He was preceded in death by his father; a brother, Alvin, and an infant brother.

**In Loving Memory
SYLVAN L. GRANUM**

September 10, 1916 May 24, 1986

Funeral Services

11:00 A.M. Tuesday, May 27, 1986
First Lutheran Church
Volga, South Dakota

Clergy

Pastor Paul Knudson

Music

Virginia Schlimmer, Organist

Beverly Nelson, Vocalist

"Beyond The Sunset"

"Children Of The Heavenly Father"

Opening Congregational Hymn: No. 439

"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

Pallbearers

| | |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Marv Buckneberg | Gordon Hillestad |
| Fritz Heyduk | Milton Pederson |
| Glen Leraas | Jack Zwart |

Honorary Pallbearers

All Of Sylvan's Friends

Interment

First Lutheran Cemetery
Volga, South Dakota

Eidsness Funeral Home

Rites Tuesday for Clarence Gruseth, 74

Clarence Gruseth, 74, died at his home near Volga Friday evening. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the First Lutheran Church, with the Rev. Arthur Schmitt officiating. Music was furnished by James Roden, soloist, and Mrs. Howard Lick, organist.

Interment was made in the First Lutheran Cemetery with the following as casketbearers: Rex Parker, Dale Parker, Donald Gruseth, Douglas Lund, James Trygstad and George Benson. Wolding Funeral Home was in charge.

Clarence Joseph Gruseth was born at Vienna in Clark County Feb. 23, 1894, and moved with his parents to Volga when he was an infant. He was married to Esther Trygstad on June 3, 1937 at Madison. Mr. Gruseth farmed near Volga all of his life.

Survivors are two sons, Lawrence D. Gruseth of Brookings, and Robert J. Gruseth of Volga; two sisters, Mrs. L. D. Ermlah (Clara) of Naperville, Ill., and Mrs. Harry Lund (Gladys) of Volga; and one brother, John Gruseth of Volga. 6-68

His parents, wife, one son and one sister preceded him in death.

Rites held Mon. for Mrs. Gruseth

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Clarence Gruseth, 57, Monday afternoon in the First Lutheran Church, with the Rev. Luther Bergeland officiating. Interment was made in the Lutheran Cemetery. Mrs. Gruseth died Friday in the Volga Hospital after an illness of several months.

Pallbearers were Carl Knutson, Albert Knutson, John M. Pederson, Albert Dahl, Herman Warnes and Melvin Dylslahl. Howard Lee, Donald Gruseth, Harold Mehl and Gerald Schade sang as a quartet, accompanied by Alma Brendsel at the organ.

Esther Caroline Gruseth was born on a farm in Moody County near Lake Campbell to Johannes and Ellen Trygstad on March 1, 1904. She was baptized and confirmed in the Lake Campbell Lutheran Church. She attended Augustana College, Sioux Falls, and General Booth State Teachers College, Madison, Iowa teaching school in Moody, Brookings and Harding counties.

June 1, 1937, she was married to Clarence Gruseth in the Lutheran Parsonage in Madison by the Rev. Olaf Bergeland. She was a member of the First Lutheran Church of Volga and was organist formerly to the church.

Other relatives, four sisters and three nephews, presided for in death. She is survived by her husband; two sons, Lawrence and Robert at home; one sister, Mrs. Cecil Huse, Lake Forest; three brothers, Donald Trygstad of Big Lake City, Fred Trygstad of Odessa, and Harold Trygstad of Redland.

JOHN GRUSETH

John Gruseh passed away at the Volga hospital Thursday, August 25, after a short illness, at the age of 85 years and 8 days.

Funeral services were held at 1:15 p. m. Monday at the home of his son, John Gruseh, Jr., where Mr. Alden Hovda sang "Behold the Host Arrayed in White" and Rev. Karl Kildahl conducted the prayer service. The church service followed at two o'clock, in the First Lutheran church in Volga. Rev. Kildahl officiated, and Mrs. Edward Lee sang "My God and I" and "One Sweetly Solemn Thought." Active pallbearers were Carl Knutson, Melvin Dybdahl, Herman Alexander, John Pederson, Albert Dahl and Herman Warnes. Honorary pallbearers were Chas. E. Lee, Albert Nelson, Solon Anundson, A. H. Norvold, Nels Terkelsen and O. A. Oines. The Lee mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Gruseh was born near the city of Bosberg, Trondheim, Norway, on the 17th of August, 1864. He was baptized by Rev. Frick and confirmed by Rev. Holmboe.

In the spring of 1882, he emigrated to the United States and came to Sioux Falls, where he was employed for two years. In 1884, he went to Clark county, where he farmed.

In 1891, he was married to Julia Leite of Volga. They made their home in Clark county until 1895, when they moved to a farm four miles northwest of Volga. There they spent the remaining years of their lives.

Mr. Gruseh was a trustee in the Lutheran church for over 40 years and held other offices in the church, county and township.

On December 1, 1941, the Grusehs celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

His wife and one daughter, (Alma) Mrs. Clint Parker, preceded him in death. He is survived by two sons, Clarence and John of Volga, and two daughters, (Clara) Mrs. L. D. Ermish of Naperville, Ill., and (Gladys) Mrs. Harry Lund of Volga. Also by one brother in Norway, 14 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren, many other relatives and a host of friends.

Mrs. J. Gruseth Sr. Pioneer, Passes

CAME TO BROOKINGS COUNTY IN 1883; OBSERVED GOLDEN WEDDING DATE IN 1941

Funeral services were held for Mrs. John Gruseth, Sr., at 1:30 at the home and followed by services at the Volga Lutheran Church



at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Rev. Karl Kildahl officiated, with interment made in the Lutheran cemetery.

Mrs. Gruseth came to Brookings county in 1883 and is one of the pioneers of this community. She had been in poor health for the past year and passed away at her home on November 16, at the age of 76 years, 7 months and 16 days.

Mrs. Julia Leite Gruseth was born in Goodhue County, Minnesota April 1, 1869. She came with her parents to Brookings County, Dakota Territory, in 1883. She was baptized in the Lutheran faith in Minnesota and confirmed by Rev. Borge at Volga, S. Dak.

On December 1, 1891 she was united in marriage to John Gruseth of Naples, S. Dak. They lived in Clark County for four years where they were active members of the Pleasant Lutheran Church. They then moved to a farm west of Volga which has since been her home. In 1941, with all of their children and grandchildren present, they celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

She belonged to the First Lutheran Church of Volga and was a member of the Lutheran Ladies' Aid, being made a life member of that organization in 1941.

She is survived by her husband and four children, Clarence, John, Jr., and Mrs. Gladys Lund of Volga, S. Dak., and Mrs. Clara Ermish of Cicero, Illinois. One daughter, Alma Parker, preceded her in death on February 14, 1943. Also surviving are three brothers, Nels, Gust and John Leite, all of Volga; two sisters, Mrs. Christie Strand of Volga and Mrs. Peter Donea of St. Paul, Minn.; eleven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Aug 6, 1956

H. Hanson Dies Of Heart Attack

Harry Hanson, 53, died at his farm home southeast of Volga Monday forenoon, of a heart attack. He had been quite ill a year ago with a heart ailment, and had since had to curtail his activities.

Funeral services will be held Friday in First Lutheran church at 2:00 and interment will be made in the church cemetery. The Rev. David Halbakken will officiate. Fred Carter, Elmer Green, Calvin Egeberg, Clarence Wosje, Allan Wobbema and Joe Warnes have been named as pallbearers.

Harry Milford Hanson was born Sept. 22, 1902 to Ole and Ida Hanson in Volga. His mother died when he and his sister, Ida were babies and they were reared by their maternal grandparents, Matt and Sena Reffling. He had lived since he was 13 months old on the farm which he operated as an adult.

Hanson was married on June 2, 1937 to Naomi Barron of White at Brookings. To this union was born a daughter, Norma, now 12.

Survivors include the widow and the daughter, his sister, Mrs. Ernest Koch of Alvord, Iowa. Also surviving are a number of half-sisters and half-brothers, Mrs. John Keasted (Amy) of New Carlisle, Ind., Hardy Hanson, Burbank, Cal.; Carl Hanson, Van Nuys, Cal.; Mrs. Viola Van Pelt, Supabelda, Cal.; Ray Hanson, Jesup, Ia.; Mrs. Orlo Bortnem (Helen) of Volga; Mrs. Wayne Springer (Mariam), Burley, Idaho; Mrs. Robert Bergen (Selma), San Francisco, Cal.

Ida Louise Reffling Hanson

Mrs. Olie Hanson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. O'Reffling, died at her home in Volga last Thursday morning. The funeral services were held at the Norwegian Lutheran church, Saturday afternoon at one o'clock. She leaves a father and mother, four sisters, one brother, a husband and two little children to mourn her loss. We extend our sympathy to all of the bereaved ones.

Long Illness Ends Monday

MRS. OLE HANSON DIED MONDAY FOLLOWING A LONG PERIOD OF ILLNESS—FUNERAL THIS AFTERNOON

After a lingering illness, Mrs. Ole Hanson passed away July 21 at her home. She would have been 54 years of age in October. She had been ill in bed the past year and a half, and had not been well for three years. Funeral services are being held this afternoon, at 1:30 at the home and 2:00 at the Volga Lutheran church, with Rev. A. E. Hanson of Brookings officiating. Interment is to be at the Lutheran cemetery.

Katrina Marie Christianson was born in Denmark on Oct. 29, 1887. She came to America in 1906, and on Oct. 29, 1908 was united in marriage to Ole Hanson. To this union were born nine children, all of whom with her husband survive her.

The children are Hardy Hanson, Burbank, Cal.; Carl Hanson, Los Angeles; Mrs. Wier Murphy (Amy), Battle Creek, Mich.; Mrs. William Van Pelt (Viola), Volga; Roy of Volga; Mrs. Orlo Bortnem (Helen), Glendale, Cal.; Mrs. W. Sprenger (Mariam), Shoshone, Idaho; and Selma and Jean at home. She also leaves to mourn, her four brothers and four sisters, and six grandchildren, besides a host of relatives and friends. Mrs. John Anundson of Volga was her sister.

Norvin Henry Hanson was born September 24, 1906 in Lake County, S.Dak. to Theodore and Mary Hanson. He died Monday, August 21, 1989 at Brookview Manor in Brookings, S.Dak. at the age of 82 years.

Norvin grew up and attended school in Lake County. He was confirmed at Lake Campbell Lutheran Church. On July 24, 1930 he married Wilhelmina M. Bakker at Pipestone, Minnesota. He farmed for three years and then worked for the Volga Co-op for 31 years.

Norvin was a member of First Lutheran Church in Volga, and he had served as an usher for many years. He was a member of the Volga Fire Department for 25 years.

Survivors include his wife, Wilhelmina, of Volga; a daughter, Maxine (Mrs. Robert) Tollefson, of Sioux Falls; a daughter-in-law, Donna Christensen, of Sioux Falls; two grandchildren; and a sister, Vivian (Mrs. Lawrence) Lampson, of Brookings. He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Fred; and two brothers, Clifford and George.

God saw you getting tired
 When a cure was not to be,
 So He closed His arms around you,
 And whispered, "Come to Me."
 You didn't deserve what you went through,
 So He took you home to rest.
 God's garden must be beautiful,
 For He only takes the best.

**In Loving Memory
 NORVIN H. HANSON**

September 24, 1906 August 21, 1989

Funeral Services

10:30 A.M. Thursday, August 24, 1989
 First Lutheran Church, Volga, South Dakota

Clergy

Pastor Paul Knudson

Music

Dorothy Weisser, Organist

Edith Thompson, Vocalist

"How Great Thou Art"

Congregational Hymns:

No. 518 "Beautiful Savior"

No. 448 "Amazing Grace"

Pallbearers

Lloyd Brommer David Hanson Merlin Hanson

Marvin Brommer Ted Hanson Douglas Lampson

James Gale Franklin Hanson James Madden

Honorary Pallbearers

Norvin's Friends

Interment

First Lutheran Cemetery

Volga, South Dakota

Eidsness Funeral Home

Ole Hanson

Norwegian church records and
death certificate give date of
birth as May 30, 1871

Aug. 12, 1945
**Ole Hanson Passes
On Sunday Morning**

Ole Hanson, 76, passed away Sunday morning at the Erickson Nursing Home, after having had a stroke the previous Thursday. He has been in poor health a number of years and ill in bed at the Volga Hospital and the Nursing Home since March of last year, suffering from a heart ailment and high blood pressure.

Ole Hanson was born May 29, 1869 at Toten, Norway, the son of Hans and Karen Hanson. He came to this country in 1889, making his home since that time at Volga. He engaged for many years in operating a threshing rig, did county road work, and was for six years Volga city marshal. Prior to his illness he was for several years janitor at the local hospital.

In December, 1901, he was united in marriage with Ida Reffling, and to this union two children were born, Harry and Ida. His wife died December 3, 1903.

Katrina Marie Christiansen became his wife on October 29, 1908. To them were born nine children. She passed away July 21, 1941.

All of the children are living, namely: Harry of Volga; Mrs. Earnest Koch (Ida), Alvord Iowa; Hardy of the Seabees and now in the Philippine Islands; Carl, Los Angeles; Mrs. Weir Murphy (Amy), South Bend, Indiana; Mrs. William Van Pelt (Viola), San Fernando, Calif.; Roy, in the U. S. Army stationed in the Hawaiian Islands; Mrs. Orlo Bortnem (Helen), Tujunga, Calif.; Mrs. Wayne E. Springer (Mariam), Tujunga, Calif.; Selma and Jean of Glendale, Calif. There are also 10 grandchildren. One brother, Henry of Volga, also survives.

The funeral services will be held Friday afternoon, 1:30 at the John Anundson home, and 2:00 at the First Lutheran Church. Interment is to be made in the Lutheran Cemetery.

Oral Holm, Sr. — Detroit Lakes, Minn.

June 5, 1917 - May 13, 2004

Oral A. Holm, Sr., 86, of Detroit Lakes, Minn., died Thursday, May 13, 2004, at his winter home in Mesa, Ariz.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Eidsness Funeral Home in Brookings. Burial is at First Lutheran Cemetery in Volga.

He was born June 5, 1917, at Volga, to Alfred and Amanda (Reffling) Holm. He graduated from Volga High School in 1935.

He received a bachelor's degree in economics and soils in 1939 and a master of science degree in economics and soils in 1940 from South Dakota

State University. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps from May 1942 until March 1946, and was honorably discharged with the rank of captain. Following the war he worked as a farm



Oral Holm, Sr.

manager and loan appraiser for Equitable and Prudential Life Insurance Companies in Fargo, N.D., until 1951 when he became involved in real estate development in Fargo. He retired in 1982.

On Jan. 27, 1956, he married Louise Smith in Fargo. In their later years they lived in Detroit Lakes, Minn., and wintered in Mesa, Ariz.

He served as president of the Fargo Jaycees, president of the Fargo Kiwanis Club, and president of both the Fargo and North Dakota Board of Realtors. He was the first presi-

dent of the Children's Village Foundation in Fargo, and the first president of the North Dakota Real Estate Educational Foundation.

Survivors include his wife, Louise, of Detroit Lakes, Minn.; a son, Oral Holm, Jr., of Manhattan, Kan.; two step-children: Brad Newman of Shelley, Wis., and Adele Schneider of Victoria, Canada; and four step-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Milford and Raymond Holm; and a sister, Florence Harrisberger.

Josephine "Josie" Irene (Waage) Knutson was born April 17, 1912, in Fulton, South Dakota, to John and Ida (Wicks) Waage. She died Saturday, April 24, 2004, at the age of 92 at the United Retirement Center in Brookings. Her father farmed south of Volga, and she attended country school west of Sinai. Josie lived in Volga with the family of Tena Garrison while she attended Volga High School and graduated in 1928. On February 23, 1933, she married Otis Knutson at Volga, South Dakota. Josie and Otis farmed near Volga. Josie was a member of First Lutheran Church where she was an active Sunday School teacher for many years as well as busy in church circle. She enjoyed crocheting and sewing. Survivors include her three sons: Otis, Jr. (Helen), Curtis (Doris), and Dale (Jean) Knutson, all of Volga, one daughter-in-law, Cecelia Knutson of Decatur, Nebraska; 17 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Otis Sr., in 1996; a son, Allan; six brothers; and four sisters.

Funeral services for Mrs. Edna Leite

Mrs. Edna Leite, 90, Volga native, died in the Brookings Hospital Aug. 6. Funeral services were held Aug. 8 in the First Lutheran Church, Volga, with the Rev. James Hulberg officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lee sang at the services, and Alma Brendzel was at the organ.

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Interment was in First Lutheran Cemetery with Volting Funeral Home in charge. Pallbearers were Steven Leite, Dale Leite, Kenneth Leite, Dennis Kendall, Richard Sauterna and Alfred Christensen.

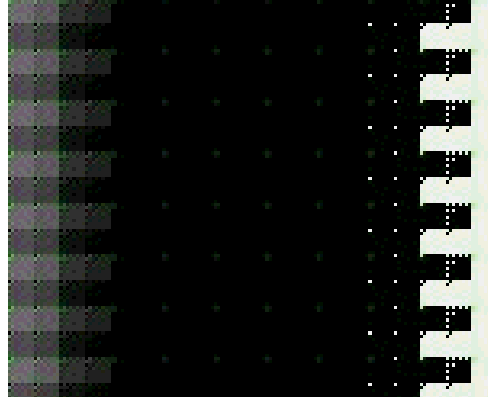
Edna Theodora Halsten was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ole Halsten in Oslo Township, rural Volga, July 29, 1880. Except for 20 years when she lived in Wisconsin, Brookings County has been her home. She was married in Wisconsin to Gustav Leite June 15, 1904. She taught school in Wisconsin. The couple farmed for many years northwest of Volga.

Mrs. Leite was a member of an Oakwood Township extension club, the Sisters Club and First Lutheran Church Women.

Her parents, husband, two brothers, a son and a daughter preceded her in death.

Surviving are four sons, Ervin

Steen, Gordon and Arthur



Final Rites Saturday Mrs. Nels K. Leite

Last rites for Mrs. Nels K. Leite were held in First Lutheran church Saturday afternoon. Rev. A. M. Mannes of Slaus Falls, interim pastor of the local church, officiating. Mrs. J. C. Miller was organist and Dr. B. A. Koly sang "My Task." Pallbearers were six nephews, Oral Oines, Orvis Oines, Hartman Leite, Clarence Graseth, Joe Oines and Marvin Dahl.

Emma Gurina Oines Leite, daughter of Sigre Hovde and Anders Oines, was born in Rock County, Minnesota, on December 27, 1874. She was baptized there by Pastor Hans Hvid.

In 1878 the family moved to Brookings county, South Dakota, where she has continued to reside.

She was confirmed by the Rev. Swalessten in the Norwegian Evangelical Lutheran church of Volga September 21, 1891.

On December 10, 1905, she was united in marriage to Nels Leite, and to this union six children were born.

She was a member of the First Lutheran church here throughout her lifetime and was an active member of the Ladies' Aid until illness limited her service. She was also a charter member of the Mission Aid.

Mrs. Leite passed away early Wednesday morning, October 7, 1933, at the age of 58 years, nine months and nine days.

Left to mourn her passing are her husband; three sons, Clifford and Arthur of Volga and Walter of Glendive, Mont.; three daughters, Mrs. Lee Wanger of South Pasadena, Monday.

George K. Leite, 81, Pioneer Is Dead; Services Today

Funeral services are being held today (Thursday) for George K. Leite who passed away Sunday morning. Rev. K. Kildahl will officiate at the services to be held at 1:30 at the home and 2:00 at the Lutheran church. Interment will be made in the Lutheran cemetery.

George K. Leite was born in Norway June 13, 1862. He came to Minnesota with his parents when he was two years old and came to Brookings county in the fall of 1879 and has been a resident of this county for 64 years. He was always interested in township affairs, schools and church, and helped to organize the Volga hospital where he died April 16, at the age of 81 years, 10 months, and 3 days.

He leaves three brothers, Nels, Gust and John, and three sisters, Mrs. Christie Strand, Mrs. John Gruseth, Sr., both living near here, and Mrs. Thea Donea of St. Paul, and nieces and nephews, besides a host of friends.

Obituary.

Gunvør Jorgensdatter Bakko was born in Hallingdal, Norway, October 24, 1836. In November 1856 she was united in marriage to Knute Leite and in the spring of 1864, they came to this country and settled in Goodhue county, Minnesota. Eight years later they moved to Renville county where they remained until the fall of 1883 when they came to Brookings county and made their home on a farm two miles west of Volga.

Mrs. Knute Leite had suffered much with rheumatism and on the evening of May 24, she was stricken with heart failure and in little over half an hour she passed away.

She leaves a husband and eight children, Mrs. Peter (Kari) Kronlokken, of Renville, Minnesota; Mrs. Peter (Thea) Dones, of St. Paul; Mrs. John (Julia) Gruseth, George, Kersti, Nels, Gust and John.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon by Rev. Henrik Voldal, interment being made in the Norwegian Lutheran cemetery.

In addition to the members of the family living in this vicinity Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dones and children of St. Paul, and Mrs. Kronlokken and son Knudt, of Renville, were present at the funeral.

The deceased was highly respected by everyone who knew her and the sympathy of the entire community goes out to the aged husband and the children in their bereavement.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere thanks through these columns to the many friends and relatives for their sympathy and kindness shown us during the death and burial of our beloved wife and mother, also for the beautiful floral offerings and honors shown. KNUT LEITE AND CHILDREN.

Death Summons Gust Leite, 77, Volga Pioneer

The sudden passing of Gust Leite was a shock to his many friends Monday, as he had been actively attending to his duties as secretary of the Farmers Mutual Insurance company up to the last two days before his death. Mr. Leite suffered a stroke Saturday morning while he was dressing. He was taken to the Volga hospital at six o'clock that evening, and passed away there at 8:30 a. m. Monday. On Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Kendall and family of Missouri Valley, Iowa; Ervin Leite of Sturgis and Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Kliner of Madison came, and the Marvin and Carlton Leite families, who were visiting in Wisconsin, were called home. However, their father never regained consciousness and did not recognize them.

Mr. Leite, who would have been 77 years of age yesterday, was one of the early pioneers of this community. He took interest in its development and pride in the fact that he had been privileged to contribute to its progress.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, a brief service at the home preceding the 2:30 p. m. service in First Lutheran church. Rev. Alden Hovda was the officiating pastor and Kermit Kliner sang "Gone Home" and "The Lord's Prayer." Active pallbearers were Chas. E. Lee, John Amundson, Jens Terkelsen, Floyd Krumm, Ray E. Burnett and Edward Evenson. Honorary pallbearers were Ole Anderson, O. A. Oines, George Cotton, A. H. Norvold, Harry Hilstad, Julius Tweed, Chris Neilson and Vera Buin.

Those who came from a distance were Mrs. Thea Dones and Kardella Dones of St. Paul, Minn., Mr. and Mrs. Nels Eagen, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Kronlakken and June of Sacred Heart, Minn.; Mrs. Elmer Kronlakken, Knute Kronlakken, Carl Kronlakken and Larutz and Harold Haug of Benville, Minn.; Mrs. Wilbur Wiersma of Olivia, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brandt and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Haug of Doube, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kliner, Mr. and Mrs.

Earnest Jones, Mrs. Floyd Wolsey, Mrs. Albert Amundson, Mrs. Vernele Thode, Miss Curma Grey, Miss Sarah Dickerson and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bogue of Madison; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Larson of Plandreau, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wood of Alexandria. Mr. Pappen of De Smet, a representative of the State Tornado Insurance Co., also attended the funeral.

Gust Leite was born to Knut and Gunver Leite at Benville, Minn., on July 26, 1873. He came to Volga with his parents in 1882 and they located on a farm two miles west of the city. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith.

He attended the Volga public schools and Chilton college, and on June 15, 1904, was married to Edna Halsten. Nine children were born to this union: Ervin of Sturgis, Mrs. Archie Severson, Carlton, Harbrian, Marvin and Mrs. Virgil Dahl of Volga, Mrs. Kermit Kliner of Madison and Mrs. Leon Kendall of Missouri Valley, Iowa.

Mr. Leite was engaged in the hardware business in Volga with his brother Nels for 15 years, and then moved to a farm north of town, which was their home for 20 years. He was interested in church and civic work and held offices of trust and honor in Volga and vicinity. He was secretary of the Farmers Mutual Insurance Company of Brookings county at the time of his death.

Mr. Leite passed away at the Volga hospital July 24, after an illness of two days. He is survived by his wife, his four sons and four daughters, 10 grandchildren, two sisters and two brothers. Mrs. Christie Strand and Nels and John Leite of Volga and Mrs. Thea Dones of St. Paul, Minn.

Services Wednesday for Johan Leite

Funeral services for Johan K. Leite, 88, were held at the First Lutheran Church in Volga Wednesday. The Rev. David Hernes of Sinai Lutheran Church officiated. Interment was in the Lutheran Cemetery. Mr. Leite died at his home Aug. 22.

Pallbearers were Ervin, Carlson, Marvin and Arthur Leite, John and Clarence Gruseth. 8 - 62

Johan K. Leite was born to Knut N. and Gunvor Bakko Leite Dec. 3, 1876, in Minnesota. He moved with his parents to a farm near Volga in 1879 where he lived the remainder of his life. He was confirmed into the Lutheran Church at Volga in 1892 by the Rev. L. K. Aaberg.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Thea Donea of St. Paul, Minn., and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; five brothers, Knut, George, Gust, Nels and Karl Ludvig; three sisters, Mrs. Julia Gruseth, Mrs. Christie Strand and Mrs. Kari Kronlukkert.

Obituary

Klifford A. Leite

Funeral services were held today for Klifford Albin Leite, 3, of Volga, who died in the Volga hospital following a brief illness July 14. Rev. Arthur Schmidt conducted services in the First Lutheran Church of Volga and interment was in the Volga cemetery.

Pallbearers included Carlton Leite, Joe Oines, Oral Oines, Hartman Leite, Laurence Oines and Orris Oines.

Klifford Leite was born to Nelson and Emma Leite on Dec. 24, 1907 at Volga where he lived his entire life. He married the former Gertrude deBlank on June 28, 1949 in Brookings. He was owner of Leite Hardware in Volga and a member of the Lutheran Church in Volga.

Survivors include his widow, Gertrude; three sisters, Gladys Vanger of Pasadena, Calif., Norma Becker of Volga and Viletta Leite of Lincoln, Neb.; and two brothers, Walter Leite of Glenlivet, Mont. and Arthur Leite of Volga.

Rude's Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

OBITUARY

Knute Nelson Leite

Knute Nelson Leite, was born in Vang Valdres, Norway. He was married in 1855 and came to America in the spring of 1864.

Having had military training in his mother country and coming to America in the midst of the Civil war, it was his desire to volunteer his service, but having no means to support his family he had to abandon the idea. He took up farming in Goodhue county, where he lived until 1872 when he purchased a small farm in Renville county Minn.

In 1879 he came to Brookings county and filed on land that since has been his home. His life was truly a pioneer's life. Although his eyesight failed him about 30 years ago so he was unable to see to read, he kept a keen interest in the world. He had a remarkable memory, he was positive in his faith and clear in his conviction. One look into his benevolent face convinced one of the fact evident to all his friends that he ever lived on the sunny side of life, he had seen the storm and the calm, the joy and the sorrow incident to every frontier experience. He was honest in his dealings with men, loved his family and was idolized by his grandchildren. His wife died 12 years ago. He had two brothers and two sisters, now dead. Three sons and one daughter are dead, the eight living are Mrs. Karl Kronlokken, Renville, Minn; Mrs. Thea Dones, St. Paul; Mrs. Julia Gruseh, George, Christie, Nels, Gust and John of Volga S. Dak. There are 29 Grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

He had been ailing for some time and had an attack of heart failure Feb. 19th and again on April 22nd. Sitting in his chair at 8:30 a. m. April 25th he drew his last breath, peacefully without a struggle or the moving of a single limb.

Funeral services were held at the Lutheran church Thursday afternoon April 27th, Rev. A. M. Mannes officiating, and was laid to rest in the Lutheran cemetery.

At the time of his death he was 91 years 4 months and 20 days old. Now Grandpa's chair is vacant and the record of a generous life runs like a vine around the memory of our dead.

—Contributed.

Nels K. Leite, Dies Saturday

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the First Lutheran church in Volga for Nels K. Leite, 65, early homesteader of the Volga area. He died early Saturday morning.

Nels K. Leite, son of Gunvor and Knute Leite, was born April 27, 1867, in Goodhue county, Minn. In 1883, he came with his parents to Brookings county where he homesteaded a mile and a half west of Volga.

On December 10, 1905, he was united in marriage to Emma Oines. Six children were born to the couple. He was preceded in death by his wife, his parents, five brothers and three sisters.

Survivors are three sons, Clifford and Arthur of Volga, Walter of Glendive, Mont.; three daughters, Gladys (Mrs. Lee Wanger Jr.) of South Pasadena, Calif.; Norma (Mrs. Raymond Becker) and Vilotia of Volga; six grandchildren, Lois Rae Becker and James, Jan and Michael Leite of Volga, and Jenn and Joel Leite of Glendive; two sisters, Mrs. Thea Doney, St. Paul, Minn.; and Mrs. Christie Strand, Volga; one brother, John, Volga, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Oscar and Carl Kronlokken, Renville, Minn.; Carlton and Marvin Leite, and Clarence and John Gruseth.

Those from out of town attending the services were Mr. and Mrs. Arbie Agre, Granite Falls, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. Nels Engen, Sacred Heart, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Kronlokken, Thore Danielson and Carl Kronlokken, all of Renville, Minn.; Amanda Oines, F...

Colesta Mannerud, 97, of Volga, died Sunday, May 25, 2003, at the United Retirement Center in Brookings. Funeral services will be 10:30 A.M. Thursday at First Lutheran Church in Volga, with interment in the church cemetery. Visitations were Wednesday at Eidsness Funeral Chapel in Volga and preceding services Thursday at the church.

Colesta Lillian (Ishol) Mannerud was born September 28, 1905, near Chester, South Dakota, to Johannes O. and Marie Ishol. She was baptized in Hegge Lutheran Church near Colman, South Dakota, by Rev. Billie and confirmed November 14, 1920, by Rev.



Colesta Mannerud

Mannes in Lake Campbell Lutheran Church. At age 11, she moved with her family to a farm south of Volga.

On December 21, 1932, Colesta married Clarence A.

Mannerud at Huron, South Dakota. The couple lived in Volga until 1947 when they moved to a farm six miles south of Volga. Clarence died in 1951. Colesta moved back to Volga in 1956. She provided home health care for a few years, and worked in the veterinarian's office for Dr. Jensen and Dr. Stenberg for 27 years.

Colesta was a member of First Lutheran Church in Volga. Survivors include a daughter, Nita Faye (William) Nelson, of Forestburg, South Dakota; four grandchildren: Jeff Carter, Jerome Carter, Julie Hemiller, and Kelly Neitzel; and seven great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; a daughter, Nona; two brothers; and two sisters.

NONA RAE MANNERUD was born January 9, 1938, at Volga, South Dakota, to Clarence and Colesta (Ishol) Mannerud. She died Tuesday, April 9, 1996, at McKennan Hospital, after a brief illness of cancer.



Nona was baptized at First Lutheran Church in Volga and confirmed at Lake Campbell Lutheran Church. She attended grade school at Oslo District No. 98 and graduated from Volga High School. She received a B.A. degree in elementary education from Dakota State College in Madison. She taught elementary education for two years in Moody County and two years in Brookings County. She taught school at Bruce from 1965 until 1974 and transferred to Sioux Valley School in Volga in 1974 where she was presently teaching the fifth grade.

Nona was a member of First Lutheran Church of Volga. She taught Sunday School and Bible School for a number of years. She was also active in extension clubs.

Survivors include her mother, Colesta Mannerud of the United Retirement Center in Brookings; a sister, Nita Nelson and her husband Bill, of Volga; two nephews, Jerome and Jeffrey Carter, both of Volga; two nieces, Julie (Terry) Hemiller of Rogers, Arkansas, and Kelly (Douglas) Neitzel of Volga; a special great-nephew, Steven Carter, of Volga; and great-nieces and great-nephews Alisha, Kendra, and Logan Hemiller of Rogers, and Kayla, Damion, and Darian Nietzel of Volga. She was preceded in death by her father.

In Loving Memory
NONA RAE MANNERUD

January 9, 1938 April 9, 1996

Funeral Services

2:00 P.M., Friday, April 12, 1996

First Lutheran Church
 Volga, South Dakota

Clergy

Pastor Dennis Ellingsen
 Pastor Michelle Miller

Tribute

Darwin Husby

Music

Dorothy Weisser, Organist

Sheldon Cotton, Vocalist

"In The Garden"

"I Know Who Holds Tomorrow"

Sioux Valley Fifth and Sixth Grade Choir

"Peace Like A River"

Congregational Hymns

LBW No. 474 *"Children Of The Heavenly Father"*

LBW No. 448 *"Amazing Grace"*

Pallbearers

Allan Alexander
 Corrie Alexander
 Leslie Alexander

Loren Fenske
 Dennis Hanson

Mike Jurgens
 Robert Reeter
 Darren Swenson

Honorary Pallbearers

Lyle Bowes
 Kerry Dilly

Dale Ishol
 Dennis Ishol

James Mannerud
 Wayne Wagenaar

Sioux Valley School Staff

Interment

First Lutheran Cemetery
 Volga, South Dakota

Eidsness FUNERAL HOME



LORRAINE ARDELL (HUSBY) MATSON was born July 24, 1929, on the family farm near Volga, South Dakota, to Hans and Edith (Dybdahl) Husby. She died Saturday, August 15, 1992, at the Brookings Hospital in Brookings, South Dakota, at the age of 63.

Lorraine attended Oslo School District No. 95 and graduated from Sinai High School. She received a teaching certificate from General Beadle College in Madison, South Dakota, and taught country school for one year near Volga. On September 17, 1948, she married Arnold S. Matson at Sinai, South Dakota. The Matsons farmed near Volga and moved into town in March 1966. Lorraine worked at the Parkview Health Center in Volga for 19 years.

Lorraine was a member of First Lutheran Church and the E.L.C.W. She was a member of Sons of Norway Fjordland Lodge No. 508, the American Legion Auxiliary, and the Sew 'N Chat Club. She was a marvelous cook and also enjoyed embroidery and sewing.

Survivors include her husband, Arnold of Volga; six children: Loretta Greni and her husband David of Beulah, North Dakota, Lowell Matson and his wife Carmen of Lake City, Florida, Loren Matson and his wife Teresa of Lake Andes, South Dakota, Steven Matson and his wife Beth of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Shirley Hauge and her husband Joe of Rapid City, South Dakota, and Scott Matson and his wife Jan of Volga; seven grandchildren; and seven brothers and sisters: Mavis (Mrs. Lloyd) Quam of Arlington, South Dakota, Harold Husby of Volga, Evelyn Hauge of Watertown, South Dakota, Jewel Husby of Aberdeen, South Dakota, Donna (Mrs. LeRoy) Lange of Sioux Falls, Joyce Arndt of Coon Rapids, Minnesota, and Clair Husby of Columbus, Nebraska. She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Roger, and an infant sister.

In Loving Memory
LORRAINE A. MATSON

July 24, 1929 - August 15, 1992

Funeral Services
 2:00 P.M., Wednesday, August 19, 1992
 First Lutheran Church
 Volga, South Dakota

Clergy
 Pastor Dennis Ellingsen

Music
 Marge Hegge, Organist
 Jeraldine Weinacht, Vocalist
"Beyond The Sunset"
*"Just A Closer Walk With Thee/Isn't The Love Of Jesus
 Something Wonderful"*

Congregational Hymns
 LBW No. 439 *"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"*
 LBW No. 532 *"How Great Thou Art"*

Pallbearers

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|----------------|--------------|
| Gregory Arndt | Alan Husby |
| Douglas Erstad | Jon Husby |
| David Hauge | Michael Quam |
| Darwin Husby | Rolland Quam |

Honorary Pallbearers
 Lorraine's Grandchildren

| | |
|---------------|--------------|
| Jason Greni | Tore Matson |
| Nicole Greni | Audra Matson |
| Marisa Matson | Amber Matson |
| Aaron Matson | |

Interment
 First Lutheran Cemetery
 Volga, South Dakota

Sidsness Funeral Home

Gladys Lenora (Nelson) Minor was born December 3, 1911, on a farm northwest of Volga, South Dakota, to Ingvold and Clara Nelson. She died Sunday, December 28, 2003, at the age of 92 at Beverly Healthcare Center in Arlington, South Dakota.

Gladys attended country school, and at age 16 began working in private homes in the Volga and Brookings area. In 1934, she married Alvin Ahnberg. They lived on the farm until his death in 1960. From 1960 until 1964, Gladys worked at First National Bank in Brookings. In 1964 she married Silas Minor; he died in 1979.

Gladys was a member of Extension Club and First Lutheran Church in Volga. She was active in ALCW and Sunday School while a member of First Lutheran Church in Brookings. She enjoyed extensive travel in Italy, Mexico, and Canada, and she had visited all 50 states. She also enjoyed reading and crocheting.

Survivors include a son, Loren (Kathy) Ahnberg of Fairfax, Virginia; a daughter, Wanda (Dean) Frederick, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; eleven grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and a sister, Ruby Olson, of Brookings. She was preceded in death by her parents; both husbands; a son, Arden Ahnberg; and a sister, Beulah Miller.

Final Rites Yesterday For Albert Nelson

Funeral services were held yesterday in First Lutheran church for Albert Nelson, who passed away at his home here at 9:50 p. m. Friday. He had patiently endured an illness of nearly eight weeks duration, from uremic poisoning and complications.

A service for the family at 1:30 p. m. preceded the two o'clock service, both held in the church with Rev. David S. Halbakken, local pastor, being assisted by the Rev. A. M. Matnes of Sioux Falls, a former Volga pastor.

Music was provided by a male sextette, including Howard Lee, Jerald Schade, Donald Gruseith, Lyle Eggebruaten, Calvin Egeberg and Harold Mehl. They sang "Nearer My God To Thee," "Abide With Me" and "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee." Mrs. M. M. Mickelson of Willmar, Minn., offered a solo, "Lead Kindly Light."

The body was laid to rest in the local Lutheran cemetery, with Marvin Martinson, Milford Svartos, Lee Svartos, Gerhard Nelson, Raymond Strande and O'Neill Larson as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers were John Anundson, George Martinson, John Bergh, O. P. Dahl, Albert Dahl, Martin Raud, Oscar Wattnem and Alfred Stanley.

Albert G. Nelson, son of Gilbert and Anna Nelson, was born near Ettrick, Wisc., on January 5, 1871. He was baptized there in infancy.

In 1881 the family moved to a farm 2½ miles southwest of Volga, where he resided until 1943, when Mr. and Mrs. Nelson retired and moved to Volga.

He was confirmed in the Synod church in Oslo township by Rev. Borge.

On January 12, 1905, he was united in marriage to Sena Larson and to this union eleven children were born.

Mr. Nelson was an active member of First Lutheran church as a choir member, Sunday school teacher, trustee and deacon. He also served his community through many organizations.

Mr. Nelson passed away Friday evening, March 25, 1954, at the age of 83 years, two months and 21 days.

Left to mourn his passing are his wife; two sons, Arne of Volga and Hartman of Lake Preston; seven daughters, (Gladys) Mrs. I. W. Swartling of Sioux City, Iowa, (Angie) Mrs. C. R. Swartling of Hibbing, Minn., (Esther) Mrs. S. F. Lipsari of Omaha, Nebr., (Mabel) Mrs. F. J. Eller of Chicago, Ill., (Eleanor) Mrs. A. N. Dingle of Columbus, Ohio, (Edith) Mrs. Clifton Thompson of Bruce, and (Sadie) Mrs. L. S. Thompson of Bellevue, Wash.; 19 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Also surviving him are a brother and a sister, Julius Nelson of Monrovia, Calif., and Mrs. Emelia Martinson of Badger, Iowa. Many nieces, nephews and friends also mourn the passing of a good man. Mr. Nelson was preceded in death by his parents, five brothers, two sisters and two daughters.

**In Memory of
ANNA NELSON**

Date of Birth
Jan. 1, 1883

Date of Death
Jan. 17, 1958

Place and Time of Service

First Lutheran Church
Two o'clock p. m.
Tuesday, Jan. 21, 1958

Interment

First Lutheran Cemetery

Clergyman

Pastor Luther C. Bergeland

Music

Soloists - Gerald Moe, Mrs. Clifton Thompson
Organist - Mrs. J. C. Miller

Pallbearers

Arne Nelson Clifford Tisdal
Hartman Nelson Harlan Karlstad
Rudolph Rud Oscar Dahl

Services Conducted by
Lee Funeral Home

The Lord is my shepherd: I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil: my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Arne Gerhard Nelson was born October 8, 1911, at Volga, South Dakota to Albert and Sena (Larson) Nelson. He died Thursday, March 7, 1985, at the Brookings Hospital, Brookings, South Dakota, at the age of 73 years, 4 months, and 27 days.

Arne was baptized and confirmed at First Lutheran Church of Volga and was a lifetime member of the Church. He married Gladys I. Kvinlog September 15, 1940, at Brookings. The Nelsons farmed near Volga. Arne was the third generation to live on the family farm. He was very active in church, community, and dairy organizations, and he had recently been awarded a certificate by the South Dakota Department of Agriculture for over 150 combined years of service on various state and local boards, including thirteen years on the American Dairy Association Board. Arne also enjoyed raising and working with horses.

Survivors include his wife, Gladys, of Volga; two sons: Allen and Robert, both of Volga; six grandchildren; one brother, Hartman Nelson, of Lake Preston; seven sisters: Mrs. L.W. (Gladys) Swartling of Omaha, Nebraska, Mrs. Charles (Angie) Swartling, of Mason City, Iowa, Mrs. Sam (Esther) Lipari, of Omaha, Nebraska, Mrs. Fred (Mabel) Eiler, of Annapolis, Maryland, Mrs. A.N. (Eleanor) Dingle of Dexter, Michigan, Mrs. Clifton (Edith) Thompson of Volga, and Mrs. Lloyd (Sadie) Thompson of Lake San Marcos, California. He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters.

Blessed Be His Memory

**In Loving Memory
ARNE G. NELSON**

October 8, 1911

March 7, 1985

Funeral Services

10:30 A.M. Tuesday, March 12, 1985
First Lutheran Church
Volga, South Dakota

Clergy

Pastor Paul Knudson

Music

Dorothy Vostad, Organist

Edith Thompson, Vocalist

"Softly and Tenderly"

Gerald Moe, Vocalist

"How Great Thou Art"

Congregational Hymn

LBW No. 439 "What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

Palbearers

Greg Nelson
Randy Nelson
Paul Nelson

Larry Jensen
David Rud
George Rud

Honorary Palbearers

All of Arne's Friends

Interment

First Lutheran Cemetery
Volga, South Dakota

Eidsness Funeral Home

Sena C. Nelson

Date of Birth
April 27, 1886

Date of Death
August 3, 1954

Place and Time of Service
First Lutheran Church
Two o'clock
Friday, August 6, 1954

Interment
First Lutheran Cemetery
Volga, So. Dak.

Clergyman
Rev. David Halbakken

Music by Ladies' Trio
Mrs. Jerald Schade Mrs. Arlys Dahl
Mrs. Howard Lee

Pallbearers
Phillip Strande Gordon Svartos
Raymond Strande Lloyd Larson
Milford Svartos Gerhard Nelson

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Annie Rud Tisdel Nielsen was born May 5, 1909 at Volga, South Dakota to Olaf C. and Helga Amelia (Swartos) Rud. She died Tuesday, December 26, 1995 at the Brookings Hospital in Brookings, South Dakota at the age of 86 years.

Annie grew up and attended school in Volga graduating from Volga High School in 1929. She attended Minneapolis School of Art and returned to the Volga area. On September 14, 1941 she married Casper Tisdel at Volga. Following Casper's death in 1943 Annie attended the College of Commerce in Minneapolis graduating in 1944. She worked as a laboratory technician and medical assistant for the Watson Clinic in Brookings.

On September 1, 1949 she married Franklin Nielsen at Pasadena, California. The Nielsens lived in California until 1978 when they moved to Volga, South Dakota. While in California Annie worked as medical assistant for Dr. E. E. Kinser and Dr. Craig Williamson. Franklin Nielsen died in 1985.

Annie was a member of First Lutheran Church in Volga and was active in circle. She especially enjoyed doll making, making table decorations, and designing and painting greeting cards.

Survivors include two daughters, Phyllis O'Neill of Palm Desert, California and Patricia Denke and her husband, Rudolf of Alexandria, Minnesota; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. Annie was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, Casper; her second husband, Franklin; four sisters; and five brothers.

In Loving Memory

Annie T. Nielsen

May 5, 1909 December 26, 1995

Funeral Services

10:30 A.M. Saturday, December 30, 1995

First Lutheran Church

Volga, South Dakota

Clergy

Pastor Dennis Ellingsen

Music

Pat Anderson, Organist

Edith Thompson, Vocalist

"How Sweet The Name Of Jesus Sounds"

"O God, Our Help In Ages Past"

Congregational Hymns

No. 474 "Children Of The Heavenly Father"

No. 439 "What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

No. 495 "Lead On, O King Eternal"

Pallbearers

Jeff Rud

Kenneth Weinacht

Greg Rud

Rick Weinacht

Darian Weinacht

Steve Westra

Honorary Pallbearers

Annie's Grandchildren

Kim Phillips

Rudolf Denke, III

William Giger

Melissa Johnson

John O'Neill

Michael Denke

Laura Denke

Interment

First Lutheran Cemetery

Volga, South Dakota

Eidsness FUNERAL HOME

Franklin Andrew Nielsen was born November 29, 1901 in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, to William Andrew and Elizabeth Fitzgerald Nielsen. He died early Sunday morning, December 22, 1985, at the Brookings Hospital, Brookings, South Dakota.

Franklin spent his formative years in Texas and Colorado, and most of his adult life in Southern California where he was employed in the carpet business. He retired in 1978 and moved to Volga, South Dakota. He married Annie Rud Tisdell on September 1, 1949, at Pasadena, California.

Survivors include his wife, Annie, of Volga; two daughters: Mrs. Phyllis O'Neill of Palm Desert, California, and Mrs. Rudolf (Patricia) Denke of Alexandria, Minnesota; seven grandchildren; a brother, George Nielsen, of Inglewood, California; and a niece, Mrs. Carol Nicholson, of Glendale, California. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Helen Lind Nielsen; his parents; a sister, Bessie Nielsen; and his grand-nephew, Christopher Nicholson.

and I am with you always,
even unto the end of the world.
Matthew 28:20

In Loving Memory
FRANKLIN A. NIELSEN
November 29, 1901 December 22, 1985

Funeral Services
10:30 A.M. Friday, December 27, 1985
First Lutheran Church, Volga

Clergy
Pastor Paul Knudson

Music
Virginia Schlimmer, Organist
Howard and Gladys Lee, Vocal Duet
"In The Garden"
Edith Thompson, Vocalist
"The Lord's Prayer"
Congregational Hymn: No. 55
"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"

Pallbearers
William Bird Rudolf Denke Jr.
Ernest Cook George Rud
Rudolf Denke III Paul Rud

Honorary Pallbearers
Bob Nicholson Patrick Nicholson
William Giger

Interment
First Lutheran Cemetery
Volga, South Dakota
Eidsness Funeral Home

Orvis A. Oines, 68, died ~~Monday~~^{Thursday} March 5, 1987 in a fishing accident at Lake Sisseton, South Dakota.

Mr. Oines was born to Albert and Jennie (Olson) Oines on Nov. 25, 1918 in Brookings County, South Dakota. He was baptized into the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ on Dec. 15, 1918 and was confirmed in 1933 at Sterling Lutheran Church in Brookings County. With his four brothers and two sisters he grew up on his mother and father's farm in Sterling Township. He graduated from Brookings High School.

During WW II he served for 2 1/2 years in the US Marine Corps. He graduated from South Dakota State College, Brookings, in 1947.

He married Eunice Black at the Armour Community Church, Armour, S. D., on Oct. 26, 1947. They lived in Watertown for 2 1/2 years where Orvis worked for the Agco Company, and where their son James was born. The family moved to Volga in December of 1950 and in January of 1951 Orvis joined with his brother Lawrence as a partner in the Oines Implement and Chevrolet Company. During this time their children Kay, Douglas, Barbara, and Mark were born. Orvis became sole owner of the business in Dec. of 1976. He sold the business in 1983 and worked as a salesman for the new owner until he retired in 1984. Orvis loved the earth and farmed a quarter of farmland west of Volga until his death.

For a number of years he served as a Deacon of 1st Lutheran Church and was currently serving as a Trustee of the Church. He had served as Memorial Bible Secretary and was presently serving as General Secretary of the Brookings Camp of the Gideons International. He was president of the Lions Club of Volga. He had been a member of the Commercial Club of Volga and had served on the City Council, School Board, and was a member of the American Legion.

He is survived by his wife Eunice; three sons: James of Phoenix, Az., Douglas of Sioux Falls, and Mark of Brookings; two daughters: Kay Boszko of Aberdeen and Barbara Nelson of St. Quivox, Ayr, Scotland. He is also survived by nine grandchildren; two sisters: Selma Elster of Canton and Alvina Wabbruck of Beaverton, Oregon; and three brothers: Armond of Brookings, Lawrence of Volga, and Marvin of Sioux Falls; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Herby.

His family remembers him as a loving man, full of hope and humor, alive with faith and always ready to serve others. On special days and even at the beginning of a regular day he was often heard to remark, "This is the Day that the Lord has made, I will rejoice and be glad in it." The family asks that in the midst of sorrow you will also celebrate the life Orvis shared with us all and the hope of the resurrection that now is his.

In Loving Memory

ORVIS A. OINES

November 25, 1918

March 5, 1987

Funeral Services

2:00 P.M. Tuesday, March 10, 1987
First Lutheran Church
Volga, South Dakota

Clergy

Pastor Paul Knutson

Music

Virginia Schlummer, Organist
Howard and Gladys Lee, Vocal Duet
"Children Of The Heavenly Father"
Congregational Hymns
LBW 229 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"
LBW 318 "Beautiful Savior"
Luv. 61 "Family Of God"
LBW 145 "Thine Is The Glory"
Michael Knutson, Trumpet

Palbearers

Charles William Black
Fred Black
Gordon Elster

Duane Oines
Robert Oines
Raymond Ramstead

Interment

First Lutheran Cemetery
Volga, South Dakota

Presentation of the Flag

Burrows-Young American Legion Post No. 114

Lithness Funeral Home

Allen M. Olson — Bruce

Allen Milton Olson, 65, died Friday, July 10, 1998, at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Sioux Falls.

His funeral is 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at First Lutheran Church, Volga, with the Rev. Dennis Ellingson officiating. Burial will be at First Lutheran Cemetery in Volga with military rites by the Bruce American Legion Post. Visitation is 4 to 8 p.m. today at Eidsness Funeral Chapel in Volga.

Mr. Olson was born March 17, 1933, on a farm near Volga to Gerhard and Harriet Annie (Pickering) Olson.

He was baptized and confirmed at First Lutheran Church in Volga. He graduated from Volga High School, where he was active in sports.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. Following service, he attended South Dakota State College in Brookings and graduated from auto mechanic school in Springfield.

On May 24, 1956, he married Frances Granum at First Lutheran Church. The Olsons farmed in the Volga-Bruce area and milked cows for about 35 years. After retiring from farming, Mr. Olson worked for the Brookings Park and Recreation Department.

He was a member of First Lutheran Church, Bruce



American Legion, and the Brookings VFW Post. He served on the Oakwood Township Board. He enjoyed hunting and fishing, bowling, gardening, sports and feeding and watching birds. He was always ready with a joke or quip.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Steven (Louise), of Brookings, Randal (Char), of Valley Springs, Curtis (Rhonda), of Bruce; three daughters, Nancy (Dean), Skoglund of Bruce, Sue Ann (Keith), Hesby of Brookings, and Kerri Olson, of Sioux Falls; 12 grandchildren; two brothers, Gene (Gloria), of Arlington, and Wayne (Michi), of Rapid City; and three sisters, Lucille Doescher, of Arlington, Carol Oppold, of Harrisburg and Donna Linneman, of Estelline.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Kenneth.

Henry Willie Reffling

Born Dec. 6, 1886

Date of death according to
Brookings County Press obituary
and 1st Norwegian Lutheran
Church records was April 28, 1899

A thirteen-year-old son of Mr. Reffling of Oslo township, met a terrible death Friday. It appears that the boy had shut the barn door from the inside on account of the wind and had attempted to jump out through an open window. While so doing the window fell down on his neck, choking him to death. He was a bright boy and was beloved by all who knew him. The bereaved family has our sympathy in their sad affliction.

RUSTY PEN.

MAT REFFLING DIED THURSDAY

END CAME VERY SUDDENLY
LAST THURSDAY EVENING,
APRIL TWENTY-EIGHTH

Another of Brookings County's Pion-
cers Dies Within Past Week
From Heart Trouble

Another one of our sturdy old pion-
ers answered the final summons the
past week when Mat Reffling of Oslo
township, passed away suddenly at
his home last Thursday evening follow-
ing a heart attack. Mr. Reffling had
always led an active life, and Thurs-
day morning over-exerted himself
driving some live stock. For the past
five years he had planned on retiring
and moving into Volga where he ex-
pected to spend the remainder of his
days, but each year, he had felt like
he would like to stay by the old home
"just one more year." He was a man
highly respected by all.

Matthias Olson Reffling was born at
Ringsaker, Norway, June 30, 1844. He
came to America at the age of 22,
staying at La Crosse, Wisconsin, until
he moved to Dakota in 1878 and home-
steaded in Brookings county on the
farm where he has since lived.

He was united in marriage to Sena
Berg, June 30, 1877. His wife passed
away January 24, 1917. Mr. Reffling
was a member of what was formerly
the United church of Volga, and con-
tinued membership in the present
Lutheran church after the merger in
1917. He had not been in perfect
health for a few years, but no one
realized that he was so near the end.
He passed away Thursday evening
about 6:30 at the age of 82 years, nine
months and twenty-eight days.

There have been seven children in
the family, two having passed away
some time ago. The children who sur-
vive the father are: Oscar, of Ederlan,
North Dakota; Mrs. Harry Peppard,
Mrs. Theo. Helleckson and Mrs. Hans
Edison, of Volga; and Mrs. Luther
Johnson of Sterling township. There
are also thirteen grand children.

The funeral service was held in the
Volga Lutheran church last Sunday at
2:00 p. m. and the body was laid to
rest in the Volga Lutheran cemetery,
Rev. A. M. Mannes officiating. The
church was filled to capacity by rela-
tives, friends and neighbors who came
to pay their respects to this aged
pioneer.

Mathias Olsen Reffling
Norwegian church records indicate
he was born June 22, 1846
Ringsaker, Hedmark, Norway
Died April 28, 1927

Funeral Rites Held For Oscar Reffling

Oscar Melvin Reffling was born on a farm south of Volga August 24, 1882 and died at Hastings, Minn., November 28, 1940 at the age of 58 years, three months, and four days.

In 1929 he was married to Minnie Burley. He leaves to mourn his departure, his wife who lives in Minnesota, and three sisters, Mrs. Theodore Hellekson and Mrs. Hans Edison of Volga, and Mrs. Luth Johnson of Brookings.

Rev Karl Kildahl conducted funeral services Monday afternoon at the Volga Lutheran church and interment was made in the church cemetery.

DIES FROM HEART FAILURE

**MRS. M. O. REFFLING, PIONEER
SETTLER OF OSLO TOWNSHIP,
DIES SUDDENLY.**

As briefly mentioned in last week's Tribune, Mrs. M. O. Reffling, one of the old settlers of Oslo township, passed away very suddenly at her home on Wednesday afternoon of last week. Mrs. Reffling had been in her usual good health up to the day that she passed away. A week or two before she returned home from Rochester, Minnesota, where her daughter, Mrs. Luth Johnson, of Brookings, had been for an operation and on Wednesday of last week Mrs. Reffling complained of not feeling well and she told her daughter Clara that she would go to her room and lie down. She had been on the bed but a few minutes when her daughter found her gasping for breath and before Mr. Reffling or anyone else could be summoned she had passed away.

Sena Berg was born in Oier, Gudbrandsdalen, Norway, in 1856. In 1871 she came to America with her parents and settled in Vernon county, Wisconsin. In 1876 she was married to Matt Reffling and the following year they moved to Dakota territory and took a homestead in Oslo township where the family has since resided.

The deceased was the mother of seven children. Five are now living and two preceded the mother to the great beyond. Mrs. Ole Hanson

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Sena Olsdatter Berg Reffling
Norwegian church records indicate
she was born Dec. 2, 1855
Øyer, Oppland, Norway
Marriage year was 1877
Moved to D.T. in 1878

DIES FROM HEART FAILURE (Continued From First Page)

passed away several years ago and a little boy, Henry, died when he was 12 years of age. The surviving children are: Mrs. Alfred Holm, of Volga; Mrs. Luth Johnson, of Brookings; Mrs. Theo Hellekson, of Volga; Oscar who was too far away to be present at the funeral; and Clara. There are two grand children, Harry and Ida Hanson, who also make their home with the Refflings. In addition to the children and the bereaved husband, Mrs. Reffling also leaves an aged mother in Wisconsin, five brothers in Wisconsin and a sister who lives at Ivanhoe, Minnesota, and who was present at the funeral.

At the time of her passing away Mrs. Reffling was 61 years, 1 month and 14 days of age.

Funeral services were held at the United Norwegian Lutheran church on Saturday of last week by Rev. Henrik Voldal and the interment was in the cemetery south of town.

Mrs. Reffling was a woman who was liked by everyone and her sudden death is deeply regretted by all the old friends and neighbors who unite in extending their heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family at this time.

The Lord is my Shepherd: I shall not want . . .

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters . . .

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake . . .

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over . . .

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

23rd Psalm



RAGNILD ROSO

Date of Birth
March 8, 1885

Date of Death
October 21, 1964

Place and Time of Services
First Lutheran Church
2:00 P.M.
Saturday, October 24, 1964

Clergyman
Rev. Arthur H. Schmitt

Place of Interment
Volga Lutheran Cemetery

Pallbearers

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| Albert Knutson | Allen Granum |
| Orville Terkelson | Gust Berg |
| Ellsworth Hanson | Albert Santema |

Rude's Funeral Home

First Lutheran Cemetery, Volga, SD (www.rootsweb.com/~sdbrkcem/)
Obituary courtesy of Rhonda Lee

C. Strand Services Held on Saturday

Funeral services were conducted for Mrs. Christie Strand, 92, in First Lutheran church July 6 by the Rev. E. D. Ulrich. Burial was made in the Lutheran cemetery. She had been in poor health for some time, but had not been confined to her bed for more than the last few days of her life.

Christie Leite was born in Crawford county, Minn., on June 20, 1868. In 1892 she was married to Andrew T. Strand at Sacred Heart, Minn. They lived at Renville, Minn., for some time. Two children born to them died in infancy. Her husband died in 1937. Her parents, four brothers and two sisters preceded her in death.

Surviving are a brother, John, with whom she had made a home for many years, and a sister, Mrs. Thea Douma, St. Paul.

Relatives from away who attended the funeral, most of them nieces, included: Mrs. Thea Douma and Kandelia, St. Paul, Mrs. Alvin Lee, St. Louis Park, Minn., Mr. and Mrs.

Ervin Leite, Sturgis, Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Christoffersen, Lily, Knave and Carl Kronlokaen, Renville, Minn., Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Engen and O. P. and Elmer Koppelken, Sacred Heart, Minn.,

Mrs. L. D. Banish, Naperville, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Alex Danielsen, Lake Preston, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pihet, De Smet, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Kendall, Dennis and Bonita, and Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Kimer, Madison, Mr. and Mrs. Worth Best, Seattle, Wash., and Rexford Parker, Arlington.

RAYMOND M. STRANDE was born November 7, 1904, near Volga, South Dakota, to Martin P. and Clara J. (Larson) Strande. He died Friday morning, June 14, 1996, at the Arlington Care Center, Arlington, South Dakota, at the age of 91 years.



Raymond attended country school and graduated from Volga High School. On August 26, 1927, he married Evelyn Sundet. He worked in the meat market and grocery stores in Volga. The Strandes moved to Covina, California, in 1957, where Raymond was employed in the West Covina School District. He was a member of the Civil Defense there. In 1979 they retired and moved to Brookings.

While in Volga Raymond was a fireman and served as treasurer of First Lutheran Church. He was currently a member of First Lutheran Church in Brookings. He enjoyed his family and grandchildren's activities.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn, of Brookings; five sons: Lyle (Carol) Strande of Covina, California, and Russell (Shirley) Strande, Richard Strande, Lloyd Strande, and John Strande, all of Brookings; three daughters: Darlene "Dolly" Oines of Volga, Carol (Al) Roach of Brookings, and Camella Chaddock of Everett, Washington; 24 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren, and three sisters: Dila Dahl of New Hudson, Michigan, Evelyn Carter of DeLand, Florida, and Verna (George) Albright of Volga. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and two sisters.

In Loving Memory

RAYMOND M. STRANDE

November 7, 1904 June 14, 1996

Funeral Services

10:30 A.M., Monday, June 17, 1996
 First Lutheran Church
 Brookings, South Dakota

Clergy

Pastor John Moe
 Pastor Aanen Gjovik

Music

Tom Ferry, Organist
 Edith Thompson, Vocalist
"Children Of The Heavenly Father"
"The Lord's Prayer"
 Congregational Hymns
 LBW #518 *"Beautiful Savior"*
 LBW #390 *"I Love To Tell The Story"*

Pallbearers-Raymond's Grandchildren

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| Stuart Oines | Paula Strande | Steve Roach |
| Roger Oines | Douglas Strande | Gregg Roach |
| Sharman Quam | Brian Strande | Vicki Jensen |
| Weston Oines | Dianne Becker | Tom Roach |
| Keith Strande | Dan Strande | Diana Hustad |
| Curt Strande | Jeff Strande | Robert Chaddock |
| Karlene Opland | Jim Strande | Steven Chaddock |
| Kent Strande | David Strande | Patrick Strande |

Interment

First Lutheran Cemetery
 Volga, South Dakota

Eidsness FUNERAL HOME

Paul A. Stumley

St. Louis, MO – Paul A. Stumley, 74, formerly of Brookings, died May 22, 2003, at his home in St. Louis, MO. Memorial services will be held at 2:30 P.M. Saturday, June 21, at Eidsness Funeral Home in Brookings. Interment will precede the service at First Lutheran Cemetery in Volga. Mr. Stumley graduated from Brookings High School in 1947, and from SDSU in 1952, where he lettered in football. He served in the Marine Corps following graduation, and had lived in St. Louis since 1955. He is survived by a sister, Ruth Hanson, of St. Paul, MN, and nieces and nephews.

Angie Swartling

Angie Cornelia Swartling, 79, of Twin Falls, Idaho, died Nov. 24 at West Magic Care Center following a long illness.

She was born Dec. 6, 1908, in Volga. On July 1, 1932, she married Charles R. Swartling in Volga. The couple lived in Minnesota and South Dakota, and in Mason City, Iowa, for 30 years. Mrs. Swartling moved in 1987 to Twin Falls to be near her son. She was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Mason City and the PEO.

Survivors include a son, Dr. Rodney Swartling of Twin Falls; two grandchildren; a brother, Hartman Nelson of Lake Preston; and six sisters: Gladys Swartling and Esther Lipari of Omaha, Mabel Eller of Annapolis, Md., Eleanor Dingle of Dexter, Mich., Edith Thompson of Volga and Sadie Thompson of Lake San Marcos, Calif.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Arne Nelson of Volga, and a sister, Mildred.

Cremation was under the direction of White Crematory. The family plans a private memorial service and suggests memorials to the Trinity Lutheran Church at Mason City, Iowa, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Arthur A. Swenning

Volga – Arthur A. Swenning was born on August 4, 1941 in Hendricks, Minnesota the son of Henry and Hazel (Short) Swenning. He died on Tuesday, March 25, 2003 at the Brookings Hospital after a three year battle with cancer at the age of 61 years.



Art was a graduate of the Brookings High School in 1959 and continued his education at Aggie School at SDSU. From 1959 until 1962, he served in the United States Navy. In 1962, he owned and operated the Mobile Station in Volga until 1975. He was united in marriage to Ila K. Moberg on July 27, 1963 in Lake Benton, MN. In 1975, he was then employed at the Land O'Lakes until 1984. In 1984, he joined Ila in the insurance business until present.

He was a member of the First Lutheran Church in Volga where he was very active. He also served as Mayor, City Council member and on the Volga Fire Dept. He enjoyed being outdoors doing yard work, hunting and especially spending time with family and friends.

Art is survived by his wife Ila of Volga, SD; one daughter Martie Bothun (Brad) of Volga - Pierre, SD; two sons Scott Swenning of Sioux Falls, SD, Todd Swenning (Melissa) of San Antonio, TX; five grandchildren Nicole Swenning, Holden Swenning, Eric, Scott and Emily Bothun; one great granddaughter Hayley Bothun; four brothers John Swenning (Diane) of Worthington, MN, Jim Swenning (Jan) of Renton, WA, Dave Swenning (Beth) of Fairmont, MN, Tom Swenning (Kate) of Yankton, SD; one brother-in-law Robert Espland of Volga, SD; his mother-in-law Stella Molberg of Arlington, SD and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister Margaret Ann and father-in-law Wilmar Moberg.

Funeral Services will be 10:30AM Saturday, March 29, 2003 at First Lutheran Church in Volga, SD with Rev. Lance Lindgren officiating. Visitation will be 4 to 7PM Friday at First Lutheran Church, Volga with interment in First Lutheran Cemetery. E-mail condolences and greeting can be sent to the family through www.rudesfuneralhome.com.

Dale Stanley Tofte was born September 26, 1932, at his grandmother's home in rural Brookings, South Dakota. He died Sunday, August 22, 2004, at the age of 71, after a courageous battle with cancer.

He was the son of Edward and Selma (Dahl) Tofte. He was baptized and confirmed at Sterling Lutheran Church and First Lutheran Church in Brookings. He received his elementary education at Brookings District No. 2, and graduated from Brookings High School in 1950. On July 17, 1954, he married Donavieve Dahl. The couple farmed in Oslo Township near Volga. They moved into Volga in 1985, and Dale continued farming until 2002. Dale and Donnie celebrated 50 years together in July.

Dale was an active member of First Lutheran Church in Volga. He served as president of the church council, trustee, usher, and as a youth mentor. He served on the building committee for the new fellowship hall, and especially enjoyed attending the Saturday morning men's Bible study. He served his community in many ways, including as a member of the Sinai Co-op Board for 20 years, the Brookings County Soy Bean Board, the Volga Co-op Oil Company, the Ampride board, and Volga's low-rent housing board. He loved farming and collected toy tractors. He enjoyed having coffee with friends, spending time with his children and grandchildren, and making homemade ice cream and lefse.

Blessed for having shared his life are his wife, Donnie, of Volga; three children: Gwen (Dallas) Olson, of Plymouth, Minnesota, Richard Tofte of Mankato, Minnesota, and Thomas (Fran) Tofte of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; three granddaughters: Andrea Olson, Alyssa Olson, and Holly Tofte; two sisters-in-law: Ardys (Gene) Brandt of Chandler, Arizona, and Margaret Tofte of Brookings; nieces and nephews; and a host of friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers: Carold and Donald; and a sister-in-law, Maxine.

Richard Dean Vostad was born August 2, 1934, at Volga, South Dakota, in the home of his parents, Thorwald and Esther (Rovig) Vostad. He died at work at Sinai, South Dakota, Friday morning, February 24, 1984, at the age of 49 years, five months, and 22 days.

Mr. Vostad was a life-long resident of the Volga area. He married Dorothy J. Houtman on February 17, 1954, at Volga. Mr. and Mrs. Vostad farmed in Volga Township until 1982. They moved to Sinai in the summer of 1983 where he operated Vostad's Garage.

Mr. Vostad was a member of the Sinai Lutheran Church and the Sinai Fire Department.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy of Sinai; his mother, Esther Vostad of Volga; three sons: Rick of Volga, Craig and Kevin of Sinai; two daughters: Mrs. Dale (Dee) Josephsen of Arlington, South Dakota, and Mrs. Steve (Doreen) Sims of Northfield, Minnesota; one brother: Robert Vostad of Volga, and seven grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father and one granddaughter.

Don't so much grieve but rejoice! For life is like that of a butterfly, who starts life on earth as a caterpillar.

He must grow and survive, so must we, until the special day when the Father in Heaven sets us free from our cocoon . . . to rejoice and praise him at his side in Heaven.

IN LOVING MEMORY

RICHARD D. VOSTAD

August 2, 1934—February 24, 1984

FUNERAL SERVICES

10:30 A.M., Monday, February 27, 1984

Sinai Lutheran Church
Sinai, South Dakota

CLERGY

Pastor Erwin W. Brandt

MUSIC

Noami Husher, Organist
Bill Van Beek, Vocalist

"He Touched Me"
"He Looked Beyond My Faults"

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

No. 532 *"How Great Thou Art"*

PALLBEARERS

Gayle Vostad
Kent Vostad
Jeff Vostad

George Houtman
Tim Houtman
Neal Jennings

INTERMENT

First Lutheran Cemetery
Volga, South Dakota

Eidsness Funeral Home

Alvin Warnes was born January 29, 1907, in Oslo Township, near Volga, South Dakota, to Peder and Ingeborg (Tommersmo) Warnes. He died Thursday, April 12, 2001, at the Brookings Hospital in Brookings, South Dakota.



Alvin was baptized and confirmed at First Lutheran Church in Volga. He attended country school in Oslo Township. After graduating from Volga High School in 1927, he farmed, did custom hay baling, and worked at John Morrell & Co. in Sioux Falls. On October 12, 1946, he married Lorraine Phillipson at Pipestone, Minnesota. They lived on the family farm until purchasing their own farm in Oslo Township in 1954. Their home was a gathering place for family, friends, and neighbors, where the coffee pot was always on. Lorraine died January 27, 1994.

Alvin retired from farming in 1990, but he loved living on the farm and caring for his livestock, cats, and dogs. He enjoyed playing pool and listening to and watching all kinds of sports. He sold his farm and moved into Volga in October 1999. He was a life-long member of First Lutheran Church.

Survivors include a sister, Tena Garrison, of Brookings, South Dakota; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; five brothers: Martin, Julius, John, Olaf, and Albert; and four sisters: Alice, Minnie, Sophie, and Mary.

In Loving Memory
Alvin Warnes

January 29, 1907 April 12, 2001

Funeral Services
10:30 A.M. Monday, April 16, 2001
First Lutheran Church
Volga, South Dakota

Clergy
Pastor Selmer Hatlestad

Music
Dorothy Weisser, Organist
Jeraldine Weinacht, Vocalist
"I Know Of A Sleep In Jesus' Name"
"Softly And Tenderly, Jesus Is Calling"
CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS
R202 "Amazing Grace"
R463 "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Pallbearers

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| Steve Knutson | Harold Raabe |
| Jerry Nelson | Dale Tofte |
| Gene Olson | Larry Ust |

Honorary Pallbearers
All of Alvin's friends and relatives

Interment
First Lutheran Cemetery
Volga, South Dakota

Eidsness FUNERAL HOME

The Lord is my shepherd;

I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

for Thou art with me;

Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me

in the presence of mine enemies:

Thou anointest my head with oil;

my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life;

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord

forever.

The Twenty-third Psalm

ANNA WARNES

Date of Birth

August 21, 1902

Date of Death

December 15, 1961

Place and Time of Services

First Lutheran Church, Volga

2:00 P. M.

Wednesday, December 20, 1961

Clergyman

Rev. Luther C. Bergeland

Place of Interment

Volga Lutheran Cemetery

Pallbearers

Henry Grommersch

George Bishman

Loyal Parks

Byo Weber

Norman Berkland

Clarence Wosje

*First Lutheran Cemetery, Volga, SD (www.rootsweb.com/~sdbrkcm/)
Obituary courtesy of Rhonda Lee*

Ronald John Ziegler was born on February 17, 1938 in Volga, South Dakota the son of Richard J. and Mamie (Waage) Ziegler.

Judy Lea (Jensen) Ziegler was born on June 14, 1942 in Flandreau, South Dakota the daughter of Silas and Mabel (Severson) Jensen.

They died on Sunday, October 19, 2003. Ronald was age 65 and Judy was age 61.

Ronald attended Cottonwood #78 grade school and graduated from Volga High School in 1956. He was a graduate of SDSU in 1960. Judy attended grade school at Midway Country School # 32 and graduated from Colman High School in 1960. They were married on June 18, 1960 at Colman, SD. He and Judy farmed near Volga. She was employed at JoAnn Fabrics and was presently employed at 3M Co. in Brookings.

They were active members of First Lutheran Church in Volga. Their joys in life were their children and grandchildren. They both were avid SDSU Jackrabbit fans and loved following their children's and grandchildren's activities. Judy was also a member of the church circle, ELCA, extension club, a leader for the Sunshine Girls 4-H Club and enjoyed attending the South Dakota State Fair and bird watching. Ron was a dedicated family man and enjoyed being with his family. He also enjoyed John Deere Tractors.

Ron and Judy are survived by three children Becky Renee (chuck) Fisher of Chanhassen, MN; Pamela Kay (Gregg) Thompson of Osakis, MN; Daniel John (Kay) Ziegler of Volga, SD; six grandchildren: Christopher Fisher; Mitchell, Tyler and Daniel Thompson; and Zackary and Nikole Ziegler. Ron is also survived by three brothers and six sisters: Aline (Everett) Luckow of Sac City, IA; Evelyn (Ed) Scharn of Lytton, IA; Clarice Wells of Lennox, SD; Richard L. (Carol) Ziegler of Mitchell, SD; Gerald (Marilyn) Ziegler of Franklin, TN; VerDell (Robert) Wiles of Fairfax, VA; Arlys (Leonard) Eilts of St. Paul, MN; Beverly (Bruce) Wosje, and Larry Ziegler all of Volga, SD; many nieces, nephews and cousins. Judy is also survived by one sister Marla (Arthur) Leitzke of Colman, SD; and two nieces Tamara and Stacy Leitzke. They were both preceded in death by their parents.

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