



*In Loving Memory*  
CELEBRATING A LIFE

## Clayton Cyril Brenna

**Born to Eldred and Beatrice Brenna**  
August 8, 1924 ~ Sanish, North Dakota

**Returned to His Heavenly Father**  
June 10, 2017 ~ Minot, North Dakota

**Funeral Service**  
10 o'clock, Thursday, June 15, 2017  
Keene First Lutheran Church  
Keene, North Dakota

**Officiating**  
Pastor Rob Favorite

**Music**  
Jennifer Brenna ~ Vocalist  
Kassidy Brenna ~ Vocalist  
Kathy Brenna ~ Musician

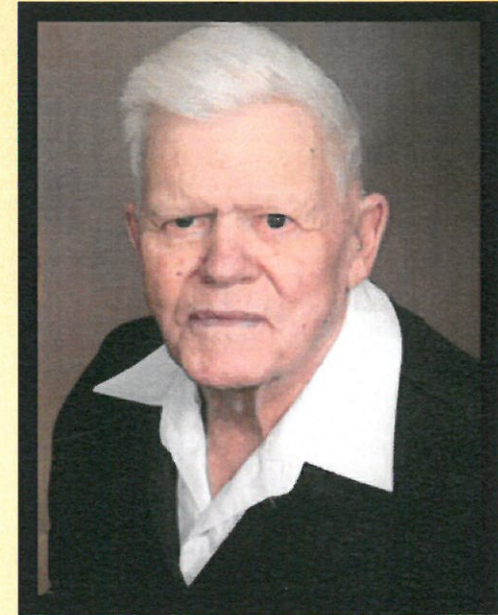
**Pallbearers**  
All of Clayton's Grandchildren

**Ushers**  
Lynn Moe ~ Clark Bohmbach

**Final Resting Place**  
Good Hope Cemetery ~ Keene, North Dakota

*Hope Strength*

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home of Watford City, ND  
has been entrusted with arrangements



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## *The Dash Poem*

*by Linda Davis*

*I read of a man who stood to speak,  
At the funeral of a friend  
He referred to the dates on his tombstone  
From the beginning to the end*

*He noted that first came the date of his birth  
And spoke the following date with tears,  
But he said what mattered most of all  
Was the dash between those years*

*For that dash represents all the time  
That he spent alive on earth.  
And now only those who loved him  
Know what that little line is worth.*

*For it matters not how much we own;  
The cars, the house, the cash,  
What matters is how we live and love  
And how we spend our dash.*

**"Clayton was blessed with a very long dash.  
Even more important was his love of God, his  
great love for family, community and  
dedication to his farm and work."**

Clayton was born on the family farm near Sanish, ND, on August 8, 1924, to Eldred and Beatrice (Graue) Brenna and was educated in a one room country school. He graduated from Sanish High School in 1942. He spent time in the service in Korea and was discharged in 1947.

Clayton married Olive Hasby at his parents' farm on November 1, 1947. They then purchased a farm nearby and lived there until they moved into New Town in 1980, to Watford City in 1996 and then to Minot in 2014.

He continued to farm and ranch until he was no longer able to. One of his greatest joys in life was his wife, to whom he would have been married 70 years in November. He enjoyed bowling, time at the lake, visiting family and friends, but he was most content working.

Clayton was a member of 50 Years in the Saddle Club, and served on the boards of Riverview Township, Independent Oil, Keene First Lutheran Church, New Town Weighing Association, New Town Nursing Home, and on the General Board of the McKenzie County Grazing Association.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Eldred and Beatrice; his son, Terry; his sisters, Arline Brenna, Joan Brenna, Fern Ellestad, Evelyn Buerkle and Elaine Doll.

Clayton is survived by his wife, Olive; son, Roger (Kathy) Brenna of New Town, ND; daughter, Glenda (Davis) Littlefield of Bismarck, ND; son, David (Tammy) Brenna of New Town, ND; son, Joel (Sonja) Brenna of Minot, ND; nine grandchildren; 9 great grandchildren; 3 sisters, Delores Schneider of Williston, ND; Eleanor (Jerry) Washburn of Twin Falls, Idaho; Colleen Sherven, Minot, ND; and brother, Owen (Rose) Brenna, Keene, ND.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to hospice care or a charity of ones choice.

