



A COWBOYS PRAYER

Our Heavenly Father, we pause,
Mindful of the many blessings you have bestowed upon us,

We ask that You be with us
And we pray that You will guide us in the arena of life.

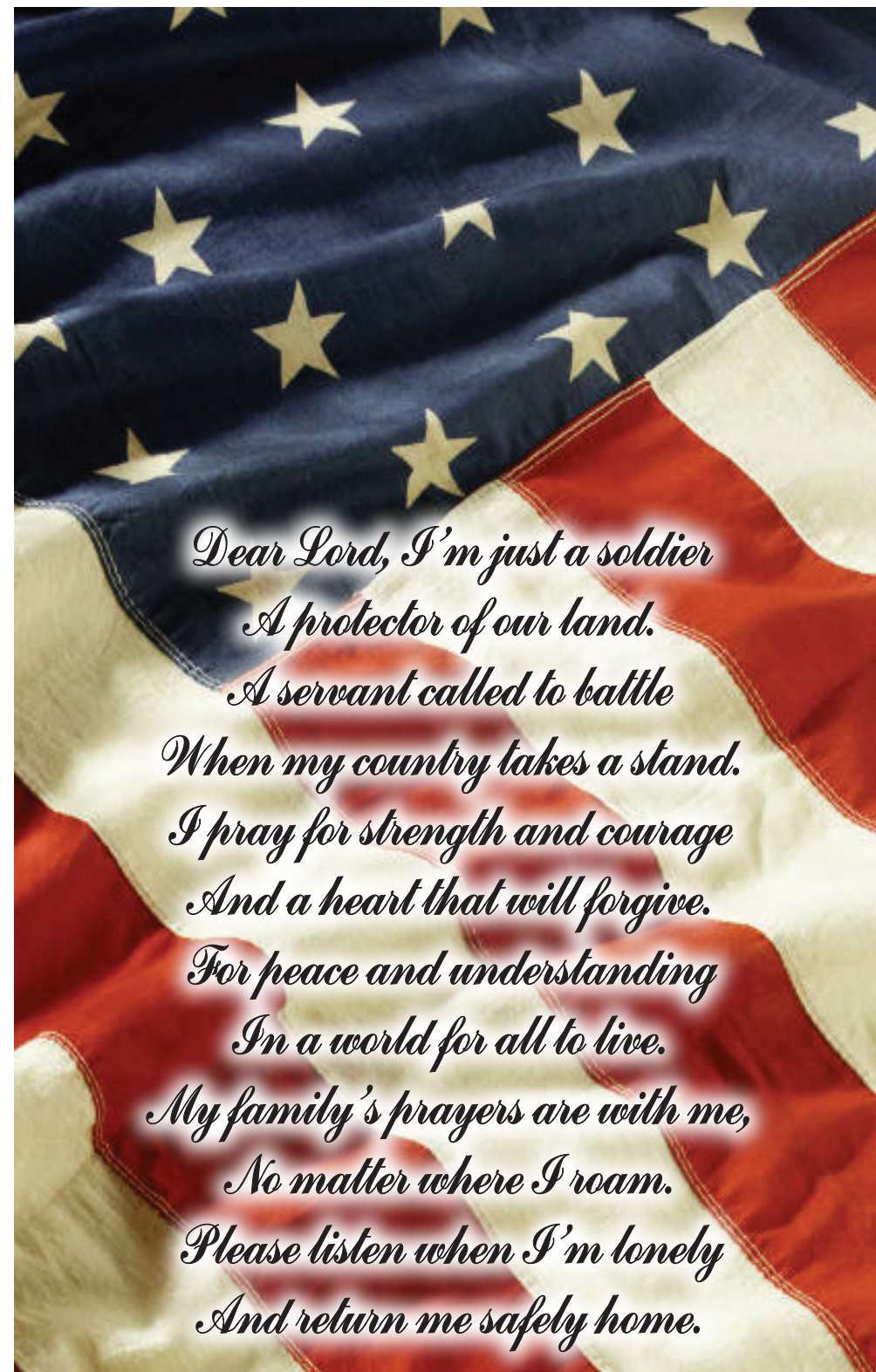
We don't ask for special favors,
We don't ask to draw a round a chute-fighting horse,
Or to ask to never break a barrier,
Nor do we ask for all daylight runs
Or to draw a steer that won't lay.

Just help us O Lord, to live our lives
In such a manner that when we make that Last inevitable

Ride to that country up there,
Where the grass grows lush green and stirrup high,
And the water that runs cool, clear and deep,

That You, as our last judge,
Will tell us that our entry fees are paid.

Amen



*Dear Lord, I'm just a soldier
A protector of our land.
A servant called to battle
When my country takes a stand.
I pray for strength and courage
And a heart that will forgive.
For peace and understanding
In a world for all to live.
My family's prayers are with me,
No matter where I roam.
Please listen when I'm lonely
And return me safely home.*



Robert "Bob" Feland, 96, Almont, died August 15, 2017 at Elm Crest Manor in New Salem.

Robert "Bob" Feland was born on January 2, 1921 in Almont, the youngest of six children to Oscar and Nellie (Oslund) Feland. He attended country day school and farmed on the family farm until he was drafted into the Army on May 27, 1942 at the tender young age of 21. The Calvary was where Bob saw himself, but there was a bigger plan for him as he was assigned to the 540th Combat Engineer Battalion. The Army took him throughout North Africa, Italy, France, and Germany under the direction of General Patton. Bob's guardian angel was definitely working overtime while he was in the war, he was in some treacherous situations, 7 out of 8 major battles to be exact. His courageous efforts in the war awarded him a

Silver Star, which is the third highest award for valor in combat; he also received 7 battle stars for each of those battles he encountered. Bob's three year military career was short lived but the experience and memories, good and bad, lasted him a lifetime. Returning home in 1945, Bob met a young school teacher, Lorraine Nolan Grimm. With a brief courtship they were married in Wibaux, Montana on November 10, 1945. In 1946 Bob bought his father's farm where he and Lorraine farmed and raised their two children, Deane and Patty. In 1955 Bob started working as a brand inspector for the North Dakota Stockman's Association, he was the local brand inspector in Almont, and helped out in the Bismarck/Mandan area. Sadly, Lorraine lost her life in 1982 and Bob found himself starting over. Bob kept busy becoming a man of many trades, from auctioneering to shoeing horses on the side. Given a second chance at love, Bob met Dorothy Maas Banning and they were married on May 12, 1984. Bob moved to Flasher where he and Dorothy entertained and welcomed their extended family and many friends. Bob always wearing his cowboy hat became quite the fixture in Flasher, driving around town on his red three-wheeler or announcing the annual parade festivities and becoming quite the story teller. Through the years, Bob and Dorothy enjoyed restoring homes, seeking out garage sales, playing a competitive game of cards, and opening their doors to anyone who crossed their paths. Father time finally caught up with Bob, at 82 he hung up his farrier equipment and shod his last horse. Bob eventually entered care at Elm Crest Manor in New Salem in 2012. When asked, Bob said he adjusted there just fine; it seemed like being back home as he had a lot of relatives there and many more would come to make frequent visits. Bob was a character and made quite the impression, you would find him in the common area joining in on singing, some days he would be on key but most days not so much. Dorothy joined Bob at Elm Crest in 2013, where they were able to spend some precious time together until her death in 2014. When Bob's health declined, it still didn't stop him from welcoming you into "his home", he was still able to share stories and life lessons to you just by living.

Bob will be greatly missed by his grandchildren, Alan (Patti) Hoovestol, Mandan; Kai (Amy) Feland, Moorhead, MN; Marlo (Shawn) Haugom, Ashley, ND; Travis (Monique) Hoovestol, Flagstaff, AZ; and Karla (Brandon) Smith, St. Louis Park, MN; his step grandchildren, who he cherished as if they were his own, Brian (Shelby) Banning, Littleton, CO; Raymond (Lizzy) Banning IV, Littleton, CO; Sarah (Jose) Vega, Winnsboro TX; Amber Banning and fiancée Anthony Pacheco, Chesterfield, MO; and Brooke Banning, Steamboat Springs, CO; 8 great grandchildren, Jayce, Cameron, Tyler, Trey, Ulrick, Mariesa, Alisia, Sheldon, Preston, and Baby Boy Vega arriving in October; and 6 great great grandchildren. Bob embraced Dorothy's family when they married and her sons, Kevin Banning and Kory (Penny) Banning, Flasher; and Kim Banning, Steamboat Springs, CO; special daughter, Martha Stribling, Kearney, NE; and son-in-law, Duane (Angie) Hoovestol, Cottonwood, AZ. They will forever feel the void of his loss along with his numerous nieces, nephews and many people who were blessed to call Bob a friend. Bob was preceded in death by his wives, Lorraine and Dorothy; his parents; three brothers, Cliff Lauzon and Rudy and Richard Feland; two sisters, Ermine Bond and Charlotte Johnson; his children, Deane Feland and Patty Hoovestol; and stepson, Raymond Banning III.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Robert "Bob" Feland

JANUARY 2, 1921 ~ AUGUST 15, 2017

Prayer Service

Friday, September 1, 2017; 3:00 pm

Elm Crest Manor, New Salem, North Dakota

Presider

Rev. Dennis Ristvedt

Prayer Service Musician

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Funeral Service

Saturday, September 2, 2017; 9:00 am

Almont Lutheran Church, Almont, North Dakota

Officiating

Rev. Dennis Ristvedt

Musicians

Colleen Reinhardt, Teri Nelson, Sherry Johnson, & Tracy Larson

Honorary Casketbearers

Rodney Nelson, Ernie Hinderer, Lester Feland

Dennis Johnson, Dale Johnson, Allan Johnson, Derald Johnson, Duane Johnson

Duane Hoovestol, John Lauzon, Tom Bond, Kirk Bond, & Lee Bond

Processional

"I Was There To Hear Your Borne Cry" WOV #770

Welcome

Liturgy of the Word

Psalm 23

Song

"Red River Valley"

Poem read by Rodney Nelson "The Hoofs of the Horses" by William H. Ogilvie

2 Timothy 4:6-8

Song

"Strawberry Roan"

1 Corinthians 13:1-8

Eulogy by Penny Banning

Song

"Heaven Was Needing a Hero"

Message from Rev. Dennis Ristvedt

Hymn by Teri Nelson, Sherry Johnson, & Tracy Larson

"In the Garden"

The Apostle's Creed

pg. 85 LBW

Prayers of Intercession - The Lord's Prayer

Commendation

Recessional

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" LBW #439

Committal will take place at the Almont Cemetery following the funeral service.

*The family invites you for lunch and fellowship at
the Highway 21 Club in Flasher following the burial service.*

Please go to www.BuehlerLarson.com to share memories of Bob.