

Clyde Brewer

Clyde Eldon Brewer was born at home on the Nell Emery allotment on September 18, 1936, in Bennett Co, SD to Clayton and Myrtle (Drake) Brewer. He was the youngest of six children: Gayle, Ralph, Ross, LaVaun, Ray, and Lee. He attended school through 8th grade in Harrington, SD. Upon leaving home, Clyde spent time working in Arizona at Lizzard Acres Feedlot.

Clyde joined the Army in 1958 and was stationed at Ft. Leonardwood, MO for six months where he was involved in combat engineering. He then transferred to the National Guard where he was a heavy equipment operator to complete his duty. His National Guard assignments were spent in Thermopolis, WY and Philip, SD. While on assignments in Wyoming he drilled for uranium in Gas Hills and also spent time cowboying with his brother Ross. As part of his duty in South Dakota he moved some of the first dirt towards building the original Story Book Island in Rapid City, as well as helping to build highway 83 by White River.

On September 9, 1961, he married the love of his life, Janet Bligh. After their marriage, he did ranch work for various ranchers in Bennett, Mellette, and Washabaugh counties. During this time Leston and Rebecca joined the family. In the summer of 1972 Clyde and Janet moved to the Lakeview area where Thomas and Yvonne completed their family.

Through the years Clyde enjoyed both farming and ranching. He tried his hand at many different things from raising sheep, hogs, beef and dairy cows along with an occasional litter of blue heeler puppies. Clyde was always willing to invite greenhorns over to show them how ranching was really done. He had many laughs at people shutting themselves on the wrong side of the gate or having a calf get away from them at branding.

Clyde enjoyed spending time with his grandkids and was always willing to be Grandad to anyone who was around. He had a great sense of humor and always enjoyed popping his dentures out at unsuspecting children. He also had the privilege of being great-grandad to two great granddaughters.

Only a few days after his 87th birthday, Clyde found out that he was battling lymphoma. His family was able to spend much quality time with him in the short time that he was sick and unable to continue helping around the ranch. Shortly before October 19, 2023, Clyde slipped from this world into heaven.

He was preceded in death by his wife Janet; parents Clayton and Myrtle; and siblings: Gayle, Ralph, LaVaun, Ray, and Lee. He is survived by his brother Ross; children Leston Brewer, Becky Patton (Ron), Thomas Brewer (Shauna), and Yvonne Davis (Jonathan); grandchildren: Allan Patton (Kristen), Laura Bad Bear (Alex), Heather Deeter (Rob), Cynthia Cope (Brady), Katelynn Patton, Lenita Cook (Daniel), Matthew Davis, Caitlyn Davis, Elena Davis, Mark Davis III, Raquel Davis, Cheyenne Davis, and Luke Davis and great granddaughters Khloe Patton and Stella Cope.



*In Loving
Memory Of*
Clyde



'CLYDISMS'

Never holler 'Whoa!' in a tight spot

I am still outrunning my shadow

Take 'er away skipper!

The yeller gate that was rust colored

The yeller cord that was orange

We're all packed in here

like a bunch of sardines

Hey kid! Come here and give me a squeeze!

Let's go do something...right or wrong

**It's better to wish you had something than
to have something and wish you didn't.**

Let's be like a tree and leaf out of here

We're off like a herd of turtles

Well, I'm moving slowly about

**Dig deep, puppy's in the bottom
(referring to oyster soup)**

I was so tired I almost tripped over my shadow

I got up this morning fzeeling

like a million dollars and

I had it all spent by noon!

Arrangements By
Holmes Funeral Home ~ Valentine, NE
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In Celebration of the Life of

Clyde Eldon Brewer

Sept. 18, 1936 ~ October 19, 2023

Services

Thursday, October 26, 2023 @ 2pm
Crossroads Assembly of God in Valentine, NE

Officiant

Reverend William Reese

Pianist

LuAnne Beckwith

Fiddler

Clayton Brewer

Congregational Hymns

Battle Hymn of the Republic

How Great Thou Art

Pallbearers

Allan Patton

Alex Bad Bear

Burton Brewer

Matthew Davis

Brady Cope

Thomas Brewer

Honorary Bearers

Each one who has taken a moment
to pass the time of day, shoot a prairie dog,
listen to a story or somehow be involved
in our dad's life... ~ Thank you!