



A Letter From Heaven
by Ferna Lary Mills

I felt your soft touch and heard your mournful cry.
You knew I was leaving, but you couldn't grasp "why".
You held onto my hand, your heart heavy with gloom,
As I passed from this lifetime and rose up from the room.

It happened so quickly, in the blink of an eye.
My heart was too weak. No strength for "goodbye".
You saw it, I know, how the light drained from my face,
But you missed HIS great GLORY as it lit up the place.

I yearned so to hold you and say, "It's okay",
But HE took my hand and said, "Let's be on our way."
Please don't grieve for me now, love, for I have not died.
HE just put out this lamp for my dawn has arrived.

Though I'll miss you intensely, as I know you'll miss me,
HE has places to take me, and wondrous things I shall see.
I've been reborn to a place you can't now understand;
A place of Glory, and Peace, nestled in HIS right hand.

Yet I'll be with you always, only a faint breath away.
My love shall be with you every moment...every day.
And although I don't know yet every step of HIS plan,
Rest secure in the knowledge that we WILL meet again!

In Loving Memory

Otto H. "Rusty" Nissen

November 24, 1941, Minot, ND - April 19, 2008, Mandan, ND

Graveside Service

North Dakota Veterans Cemetery, Mandan, ND
Friday, May 23, 2008 - 11:00 a.m.

Graveside Minister

Pastor Lester Wolfgram

Honorary Bearers

Rusty's family and many friends

Active Bearers

Matt Nissen	Levi Nissen
Evan Nissen	Rick Harmon

Those Who Shared In His Life

Daughters, Margaret Speedy and Christine Nissen; son, Otto Henry Nissen III; brother, William O. (Joyce) Nissen, Minot, ND; nephew, William T. (Peggy) Nissen, Minot, ND; nieces, Mabelle (Kevin) Howe, Minot and April (Aaron) Boatright, Lockport, IL. Several grandchildren, grand nieces and grand nephews also survive, as well as a good friend Rick Harmon.

Rusty was preceded in death by his parents and stepfather, Ben Enge Sr. and aunt, Cecelia "Susie" Stone.

Military Honors

Members of the Minot Air Force Base Honor Guard

Rusty's family would like to thank everyone for the many acts of kindness shown during this difficult time. Your thoughts and prayers are deeply appreciated and will never be forgotten.