

July 27, 1900
Norway
January 31, 1991
Freeman

Viborg Enterprise -
February 7, 1991

Funeral Service Held for Jorgen M. Brakvatne

Funeral service for Jorgen Martin Brakvatne was held Saturday, February 2, 1991, at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church with Pastor Kevin Kline officiating. Organist was Mrs. Helen Holm and special music was provided by Mr. Curtis Anderson and Mr. Joe Volz. Honorary pallbearers were Alvin Madsen and Nels Roskeland. Pallbearers were Wayne Brodland, Duane Jorstad, Ralph Johansen, Julian Brodland, Olin Odland, and Palmer Foss. Ushers were Elmer Erickson and Lyle Buchanan. Committal was at Salem Community Cemetery, rural Freeman, SD.

Jorgen Martin Brakvatne was born July 27, 1900, at Valestrandsfossen, Norway, to Martinus and Anna (Bleiklid) Brakvatne.

He was baptized and confirmed in the Hamre Lutheran Church in Norway. At the age of 23, he came to America. He worked on farms and as a carpenter in the Viborg, Hudson and Beresford areas for many years. He owned and operated a gas station at Beresford. In 1933, he returned to Norway for two years.

On June 30, 1942, he was united in marriage to Myrtle Brodland at Salem Lutheran Church, rural Freeman. To this union one daughter, Shirley, was born. He served in the United States Army in 1942. After his discharge they

settled on a farm near Viborg, where he lived until October of 1990 when he entered the Freeman Community Nursing Home. He passed away there January 31, 1991, at the age of 90. Myrtle died January 30, 1971. He had lived with his daughter, Shirley, and family since that time.

His parents, 3 brothers, and a sister also preceded him in death.

He was a member of Bang Lutheran Church and Our Redeemer Lutheran Church.

Survivors are his daughter, Shirley, and her husband, Ordell Oswald, Viborg; also three grandsons, Jason, Jared, and Justin, all of Viborg; his mother-in-law, Mabel Brodland; brother-in-law, Joseph Brodland of Freeman; a sister-in-law, Esther Jorstad, Sioux Falls; several nieces and nephews in Norway; and other relatives and friends.