

Remembering Nick

Nichlous "Nick" Joseph Bogner was born on May 13, 1932, to Nicholas A. and Rose F. (Janzing) Bogner in Oelrichs, SD.

Nick was born to two homesteaders into the heart of the Great Depression. His education began in a one-room prairie school. His formal education ended during his freshman year in high school as his father fell ill and his help was needed on the ranch. He grew up both farming and raising cattle. His work ethic was second to none.

As a young man, he played town team baseball. It was at these games where he met the woman he loved for many years and the mother of his children, Barbara Perreault of Smithwick, SD. They were married in 1957. Four children were born of this union.

Nick had an attachment to the land and a pride in ownership that he passed on to his children. He was an improver and sought to leave every place better than he found it. He won numerous stewardship awards.

He was a cowboy and cattleman. He was a self taught geneticist, nutritionist and veterinarian. He anticipated annual brandings, cattle drives and fall cattle sales. Many times he said that he couldn't imagine doing anything else and he genuinely meant it.

Nick was an avid hunter, trapper and rock hound. He was passionate about aviation. He flew thousands of hours in his small plane and gave many rides to neighbors, family friends and grandchildren.

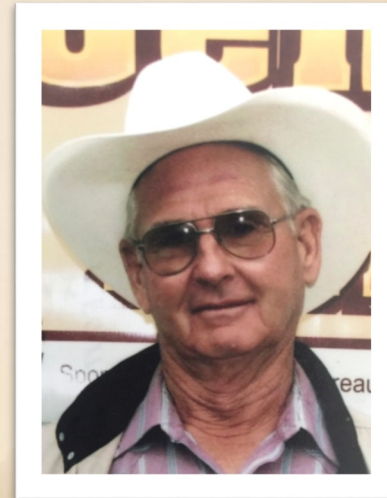
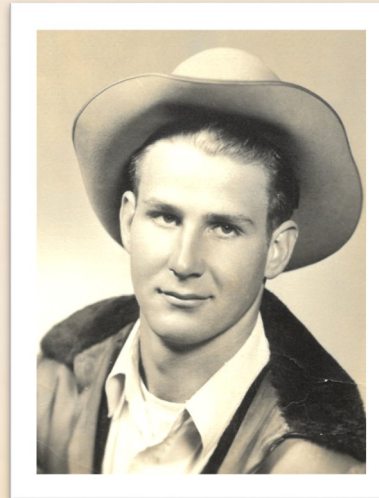
Family was the priority for Nick. He emphasized protecting each other and being there for each other. He fostered a faith in a loving God and he modeled helping those in need.

Nick Bogner, 94, died June 30, 2026 in Rapid City, SD. He is survived by his former wife and the mother of his children, Barbara Perreault Bogner of Smithwick, SD; his daughter Rose (Allen) Harlan of Bassett, NE; and his three sons, Nicholas Bogner of Oelrichs, SD; Michael (Lisette) Bogner of Hot Springs, SD, and John Bogner of Oelrichs, SD. He is also survived by grandchildren Jennifer (Kevin) Bruzelius, Rose (Brent) Rowan, Duane (Jessica) Harlan, Angela Harlan; and great grandchildren Bayle, Andrew, Ansley and Abigail; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Nicholas and Rose Bogner; by his sisters Marie Piper and Delores Muhm; and his brother Eugene Bogner.

Chamberlain McColley's Funeral Home

A LIFE REMEMBERED



NICHOUS BOGNER

1932-2026



High Flight

*Oh, I have slipped the surly bonds of earth
And danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings;
Sunward I've climbed, and joined the tumbling mirth
Of sun-split clouds – and done a hundred things
You have not dreamed of - wheeled and soared and swung
High in the sunlit silence. Hovering there,
I've chased the shouting wind along, and flung
My eager craft through footless halls of air.
Up, up the long, delirious, burning blue
I've topped the wind-swept heights with easy grace
Where never lark, or even eagle flew.
And, while with silent, lifting mind I've trod
The high untrespassed sanctity of space,
Put out my hand, and touched the face of God.
-John Gillspie Magee, Jr.*

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF **NICHOUS JOSEPH BOGNER**

May 13, 1932—June 30, 2026
Oelrichs, South Dakota — Rapid City, South Dakota

VISITATION

4-6 p.m., Tuesday, July 7, 2026
Chamberlain McColley's Funeral Home
Hot Springs, South Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICES

10:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 8, 2026
Chamberlain McColley's Funeral Home
Hot Springs, South Dakota

OFFICIANT

Pastor Justin Trent

MUSIC

“Old Rugged Cross” by Alan Jackson
“I want to Stroll Over Heaven With You” by Alan Jackson
“Home, Home on the Range” by Sons of the Pioneers
“Just a Closer Walk with Thee” by Patsy Cline
“When we all Get to Heaven” by Alan Jackson

PALLBEARERS

Jennifer Bruzelius, Tharen Leesch,
Cliff McCormick, Frank Piper, Brent Rowan, Cam Seger

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Dave Carrick, Angela Harlan, Duane Harlan,
Clay Pinnt, Marvin Piper, Rose Rowan, Chuck Seger,
Greg Seger, Doug Traub

LUNCHEON

Oelrichs Community Center

MEMORIALS

Oelrichs Fire Department
Monument Health Hospice House

COMMITTAL SERVICES

Hillside Cemetery

