

Willis Doran Dunbar, 90, of Taylor, Nebraska died September 28, 2016 at the Valley County Hospital.

Funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 4, 2016, at the Assembly of God Church in Taylor, Nebraska. Burial will be in the Moulton Cemetery near Taylor, Nebraska. Pastor Mike Carl and Pastor Dwight Sandoz will officiate. Visitation will be from 5-7 pm, Monday, at Hitchcock Funeral Home in Burwell, Nebraska. Memorials are suggested to the family.

Willis was born September 23, 1926 at the homestead to Chester and Rita (Hyde) Dunbar. Willis graduated from Taylor High School in 1944 and served his country in the Army (1944-1946), stationed in Japan. Willis was one of the last World War II veterans residing in Loup County.

Willis married Enola Fleming on October 12, 1947 in Taylor, Nebraska. They lived on the ranch west of Almeria until they moved to Taylor in 1988.

Willis was a lifelong rancher, neighbor, and friend to all. He enjoyed the outdoors, hunting, fishing, farming, and ranching. Most of all, he enjoyed his family, especially his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was a kind and generous man who loved God and his country. Willis never knew a stranger.

Willis is survived by a sister, Viona Sandoz; brother, Chester Dunbar; six children, Dennis and Lila Dunbar of Torrington, Wyoming, Duane and Judy Dunbar of Grand Island, Nebraska, Bernard and Gayle Dunbar of Comstock, Nebraska, Paul and Deb Dunbar of Taylor, Nebraska, Karen and Greg Everson of New Castle, Indiana, and Julie and Doug Wilcox of Rhinelander, Wisconsin. Twenty-two grandchildren and twenty-nine great grandchildren.

Willis was preceded in death by his wife of nearly sixty-seven years, Enola; Parents and five sisters, Roena, Beulah, Alice, Corrine, and Esta, and three brothers, L.D., Evan, and Galen.