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Edwin "Ed" Bandow, 77

April 19, 1929 - April 7, 2007

MANILLA – Edwin August "Ed" son of Louis and Milda (Miller) Bandow, was born April 19, 1929 at Manilla. He grew up on a farm north of Manilla and attended country school near his home before attending high school in Manilla. From 1946 to 1948, he served in the United States Navy as a flagman aboard a ship in the Pacific Ocean. Upon receiving his honorable discharge, Ed returned to Manilla.

Aug. 16, 1951, Ed married Helen Boeck. Nine children were born into this union. Ed and Helen made their home in Manilla. He worked as a heavy equipment operator for Crawford County and then for Boeck Construction. Later, after working with Ray Boeck, he started his own business, Ed Bandow Dozer Service, running it for several years before retiring in 2004. He died April 7, 2007, at his home in Manilla, after a brief and unexpected illness, at age 77 years, 11 months and 19 days.

Ed was preceded in death by his parents and a brother Mack Bandow. He is survived by his wife Helen Bandow of Manilla; children: Deb (John) Blom of Manilla; Georgetta (Mike) Barry of Manilla; Stan Bandow (Donna) of Jonestown, TX; Scott Bandow (Lorie) of Manilla; Wyatt Bandow (Sylvia) of Manilla; Dale Bandow (Jane) of Manilla; Kelly Rutherford of Carroll; Kim (Greg) Terlisner of Manilla; and Rachel (Kevin) Donahue of Jonestown, TX; 28 grandchildren; and 29 great-grandchildren; three sisters: Berdine Petersen of Ida Grove, Virgine Ohl of Denison and Georgine Sievertsen of Omaha, NE; a brother Irv Bandow of Estherville; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 10, 2007 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Manilla, with Reverend Paul Frank, officiating. Honorary casket bearers were Nathan Barry, Tyler Barry, Kyle Bandow, Zackary Bandow, Robbie Bandow, Jeremy Bandow, Aaron Rutherford, Brett Rutherford, Tim Bandow and Luke Donahue. Casket bearers were Shad Barry, John Blom, Colby Bandow, Ethan Bandow, Joe Bandow, Randy Bandow, Kenny Steckelberg and Jacob Donahue. Burial with Military Honors was held in the Nishnabotna Cemetery in Manilla by American Legion Posts 132 & 22 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3517. Ohde Funeral Home in Manilla in charge of arrangements.