



"When I die, remember that what you know of me is with you always. What is buried is only the shell of what was. Do not regret the shell, but remember the man. Remember the father."

From "The Sackett Brand" by Louis L'Amour



IN LOVING MEMORY OF



DENNIS J. HANSEL

JANUARY 30, 1945

MAY 18, 2026



FUNERAL SERVICE

Friday, June 5, 2026 ~ 2:30 p.m.
Langdon Masonic Center
Langdon, ND

SERVICE LEADERS

Adam Kempert Eric Roder Danny Haugen
Joey Hansel Duane Symons

MUSIC

Accompanist ~ Lane Lindseth
Soloist ~ Steve Hart

“Nearer, My God, To Thee” “The Lord’s Prayer”

TIME OF SHARING & OBITUARY

Duane Symons Eric Adelante

CASKET BEARERS

Chad Lenz Jimmy Hansel Joey Hansel
Travis Hansel Lucas Hansel
Duane Symons Wayne Rutledge Bill Brooks

HONORARY BEARERS

All of Dennis’s Family & Friends

INTERMENT

Calvary Cemetery
Langdon, ND

Dennis Joseph Hansel was born on January 30, 1945, in Langdon, ND, to Anna Mae and Joseph Hansel. He grew up in Langdon and graduated from St. Alphonsus High School in 1962. Shortly after, he joined the U.S. Army, serving in Thailand in communications. Following his military service, he returned to Langdon and began a long and dedicated career with United Telephone Company, where he worked from 1970 until his retirement in 2014.

On February 22, 1969, Dennis married the love of his life, Drina, at St. Alphonsus Church in Langdon. Beginning in the early 1980s, he became active in Eastern Star and the Masons. He was also a devoted and well-loved Shriner with the KEM Temple, where he proudly served as Potentate in 2012. Dennis found great joy in serving on committees, attending ceremonies and events, participating in parades, and traveling to Imperial Session. His commitment to service and community was a defining part of his life.

Dennis is survived by his daughter, Stephanie (Blair Seelhammer), of Rochester, MN; grandchildren: Taylor, Jaxon, and Julia Seelhammer of Rochester, MN; siblings: Wayne (Debbie) Hansel, Mary Lou (Tom) Lorenz, Robert (Stephanie) Hansel, Patsy (Garold) Vaagen, and Jerry (Denise) Hansel; sisters-in-law Karen Hansel and Pauline Hansel; brother-in-law Ron Lenz; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife, Drina; his parents, Anna Mae and Joseph; his brothers: James, Rodger, Paul, and Danny; and his sister, Shirley.

Dennis passed away on Monday, May 18, 2026, at Mayo Clinic Methodist Hospital in Rochester, MN, at the age of 81.

Brooks Funeral Home ~ Langdon, ND