

CLOSE THE GATE

For this one farmer the worries are over,
lie down and rest your head,
Your time has been and struggles enough,
put the tractor in the shed.

Years were not easy, many downright hard,
but your faith in God transcended,
Put away your tools and sleep in peace.
The fences have all been mended.

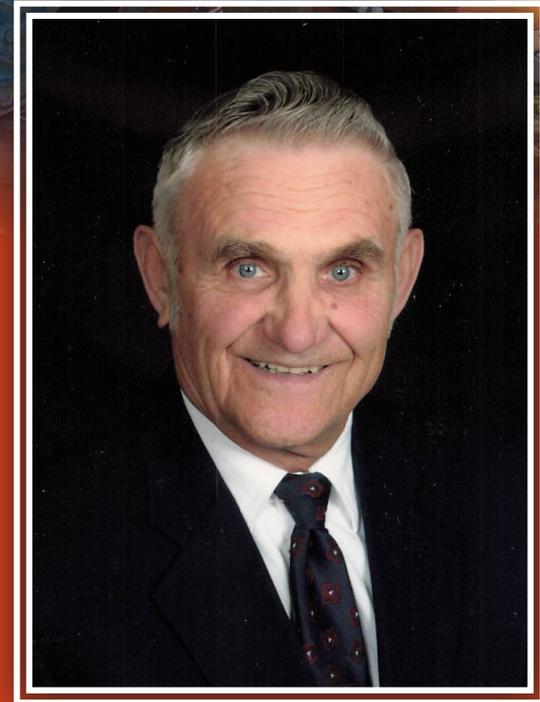
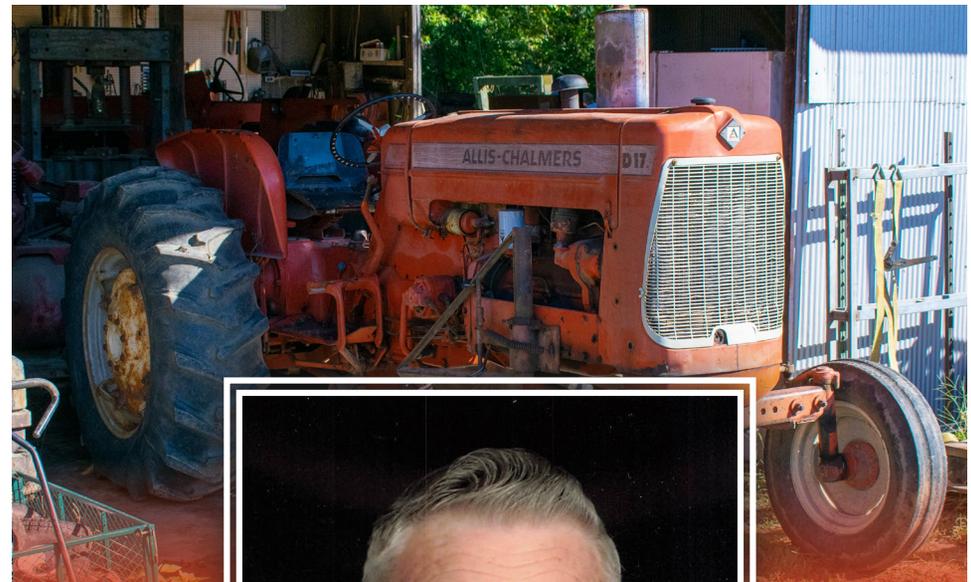
You raised a fine family, worked the land well
and always followed the Son,
Hang up your shovel inside of the barn;
your work here on earth is done.

A faith few possess led your journey through life,
often a jagged and stony way,
The sun is setting, the cattle are all bedded,
and here now is the end of your day.

Your love of God's soil has passed on to your kin;
the stories flow like fine wine,
Wash off your work boots in the puddle left
by blessed rain one final time.

You always believed that the good Lord would provide
and He always had somehow,
Take off your gloves and put them down,
no more sweat and worry for you now.

Your labor is done, your home now is heaven;
no more must you wait,
Your legacy lives on, your love of the land,
and we will close the gate.



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
DONALD H. DALLMAN
September 17, 1932 – January 7, 2026

Donald H. Dallman, 93, of Britt, passed away Wednesday, January 7, 2026, at Hancock County Memorial Hospital.

Donald H. Dallman, the son of Otto and Alice (Smidt) Dallman, was born on September 17, 1932, on a farm near Wesley. He attended country school near his home and graduated from Britt High School in 1949. Following graduation, he worked in Fort Lauderdale, FL, before being drafted into the U.S. Army. Don received his basic training at Fort Riley, KS, and was stationed in Fort Tilden, NY. On July 25, 1954, he married Dorothy Dunmire from Titonka. They settled on a farm by Hutchins where they raised their four sons and farmed. Don retired in 1998 and moved into their home in Britt. In his retirement, he continued to help on the farm as needed and enjoyed attending auctions.

He was a lifetime member of First Lutheran Church and a proud member of the Britt American Legion.

Don is survived by his wife of 71 years, Dorothy, of Britt; four sons, Bill of Hutchins, Ed (Emily) of Hutchins, Jim of Brownsville, TX, and Kurt (Doris) of Garner; six grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; parents-in-law; a brother, Louie (Kae) Dallman; two sisters, Beverly (Gene) Huff and Emily (Paul) Eisenmann; and in-laws, Carol (Hank) Kohls and Katie (Tub) Sexton.

Memorials may be directed to the Britt American Legion.



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FUNERAL SERVICE
First Lutheran Church – Britt, Iowa
10 a.m., Thursday, January 15, 2026

OFFICIATING
Rev. Anna Wolf

MUSIC
Anita Eden, Organist
Kay Brooks, Soloist
“Just A Closer Walk With Thee”
Congregational Hymn
“The Old Rugged Cross”

USHERS
Duane Hanson Bill Mattoon

CASKET BEARERS
Bill Dallman Ed Dallman
Jim Dallman Kurt Dallman

BURIAL
Evergreen Cemetery – Britt, Iowa
11 a.m., Friday, January 16, 2026

GRAVESIDE MILITARY RITES
Britt Veterans Ceremonial Unit

The family invites everyone to a luncheon in the church basement immediately following the service.

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FUNERAL HOMES