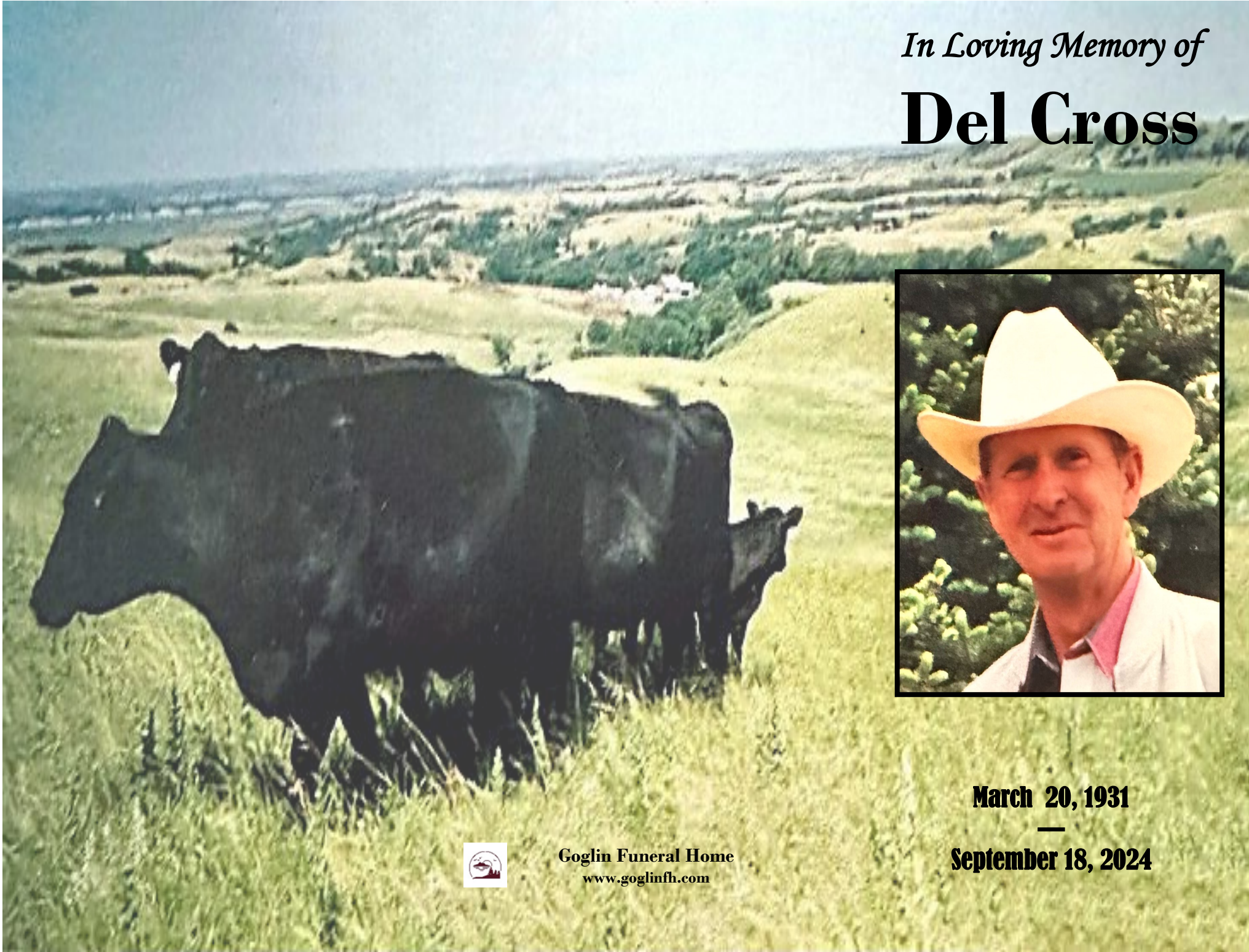


In Loving Memory of
Del Cross



March 20, 1931



September 18, 2024



Goglin Funeral Home
www.goglinfh.com

Memorial Service

11:00 a.m.

Saturday, October 12, 2024

Good Shepherd
Evangelical Lutheran Church

Lindy, Nebraska

Clergy

Pastor Dani Jo Bierwagen

Eulogies

Harrison Peetz

&

Jim Emmons

Music

The Old Rugged Cross

Joan Hoppe ~ organist

Amazing Grace

Shawn Jordan ~ soloist

What a Wonderful World

by Louis Armstrong

Military Rites

Bloomfield VFW Post 4996

&

Army Honor Guard

Del Cross, 93, was born to Earl and Bertha Cross on March 20, 1931 at the family homestead near Bloomfield, Nebraska (NE) where he passed away on September 18, 2024.

Del graduated from Bloomfield High School in 1948. He entered the U.S. Army, serving in the Korean War as a member of the Headquarters Battery, 8th Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion. He was cited for Meritorious Service.

Del returned to the family farm and ranching operation after his military service. His passion was the development of genetically superior blood lines in cattle. He was one of the first breeders in Nebraska to use artificial insemination on his Angus herd, selling bulls and club calves. Del was also an entrepreneur, starting a direct to consumer "lean red meat" business. He was a member of the Good Shephard Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Ruritan Club, active in the Northwest Feeders 4-H Club, and was a past Board member of the Rural Electric Association.

Del married Janet L. Wecker in 1952. From this union, three children were born: Debra Sue Lemke, Barry Dallas Cross, and Natalie Cross Peetz.

Del married Mayme Harvey on July 15, 1982. They created a blended family, enjoying eight grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren. They spent many years attending 4-H shows, cattle sales, and watching grandchildren show cattle. They loved to entertain family and friends at the farm, but it came with a catch. Visitors learned how to ride horseback, sort and brand cattle, fix fence and drink a little Budweiser, red wine or have a shot of Don Benson's Old Crow after a long day's work. Del was a true American cowboy.

Del and Mayme loved traveling, dancing, playing cards and listening to big band and jazz music. Del also loved

to read, water ski at Lewis and Clark Lake, and canoe Nebraska's beautiful rivers.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Earl and Bertha Cross; son, Barry Cross; brother, Dale Cross; sister, Maves Benson; brother-in-law, Don Benson; and, nephew Kyle Benson.

He is survived by his wife, Mayme; daughters, Debra (Rod) Lemke of Brady, NE, and Natalie (Jack) Peetz of Lincoln, NE; two stepsons, John (Jan) Harvey of Red Cloud, NE, and Ken (Rose) Harvey of Kearney, NE; eight grandchildren; and, fifteen great-grandchildren.

Heartfelt thanks to the many friends and neighbors who helped make it possible for Del and Mayme to remain living on the farm in their later years. Special thanks to the Bloomfield/Lindy Rescue Squad.

The family requests memorials to Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church, 89039 539 St. Bloomfield, NE 68718, or the Bloomfield/Lindy Rescue, 211 North Broadway, Bloomfield, NE 68718.



The Harvest of Life

Let us gather 'round, beneath the sky so wide,
to celebrate the life of a farmer
who stood by our side.

A master of the earth, with hands so strong,
Who nourished the land, all life long.

In sunlit fields, we'll dance and play,
Remembering the love, that still holds sway.

The seeds you've sown, in hearts and land,
Grow and flourish, a legacy so grand.

A harvest of memories, we shall reap,
The laughter the love, forever to keep.

A farmer's life, a testament of grace,
Your memory lives on, in this sacred place.