

SPRINGDALE WAR RECORD

The Springdale Lutheran Congregation has been well represented in the various branches of services in all major wars in which our country has been engaged.

The men from Springdale who served in the War between the States include:

Peter H. Brager
John Lunde
Iver Olson
Hans O. Opsal
Austin Shutvet

Due to the absence of a Springdale Honor Roll for the Civil War, this may not be a complete list.

The following names appear on the Honor Roll for the first World War:(1917-18)

Oliver Lee
Olai Thompson
Hans Moen
Charles Spaanem
Almer Kobbervig
Adolph Bangs
Theodore Olson
Melvin Colby
Gerhard Gunderson
Harvey Field
Melvin Thompson
Adolph Solve
Jimmie Lunde
Selmer Colby
Albert Lee
Oliver Olson
Otto Brager
Henry Kobbervig
Paul Olson
Irvin Erickson

The second World War (1941-45) also had its honor roll of young men and one young lady from Springdale. These names appear on that Roll:

Raymond C. Lunde
Lester A. Shutvet
Gordon A. Grimstad
Lyle R. Shutvet
Wesley E. Bakken
Arnold J. Bohle
Harold E. Marty
William J. Marty
Amos H. Thorson
Stanley L. Shutvet
Eugene R. Showers
Gerald W. Julson
Wesley E. Field
Phillip Lee
Ted O. Lingard
Melvin E. Lingard
LaVon Marty
Jerrold Moen
Dean Dodge
Glennis Haugland
Robert Marty
Donald Oimoen
Donald Julson

Of these, Gordon A. Grimstad was lost at sea under battle.

In addition to those whose names appear on the honor rolls, we have several members of Springdale who are veterans who have joined our congregation since their terms of service.

Rev. O. M. Skindrud, while serving as pastor of the Jefferson Prairie Lutheran Church, enlisted in the U. S. Army Chaplaincy. He served as Chaplain on a troop transport ship from Sept. 25, 1943 to April 1946. He was commissioned a Major

before he returned home to his pastorate near Clinton, Wisconsin.

Gordon A. Grimstad died on November 27, 1943 in the Mediterranean Sea, as a result of the sinking of a British transport by enemy action.

Chrystal Adeline Swiggum entered Naval Service March 25, 1944, served 27 months, was commissioned Lieutenant (J.G.). Later married Wesley Bakken, and is an active member of Springdale Congregation.

The following young men are in service at the time of this writing:

Raymond C. Lunde
Roger Field
Charles Julson
John Marty
Robert Marty
Glenn Thompson
Lee Thompson
Elmer Magnuson, Jr.

Each Memorial Day the graves of our departed veterans are decorated with flags and wreaths by the American Legion Post #113 of Mount Horeb. These men are so honored:

Peter H. Brager
Hans O. Opsal
Austin Shutvet
Iver Olson
Albert Lee
Gordon Grimstad, for whom a tree is
planted on the cemetery

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