

## **Blas Nick Skvicalo**

Blas N. Skvicalo was born in Lead, SD, to Blas and Helen Skvicalo on April 26, 1928. After graduation from Lead High School in 1946, Blas continued his 52 year career in the dairy business with Brown Swiss Milk Co., eventually retiring from Gillette Dairy in 1994. In these years, Blas married his wife, Lois Huddleston of Sturgis on November 23, 1953. Not long after their marriage, Blas joined the United States Army and proudly served for three years alongside his brother, Peter. Blas was a Quartermaster, serving in the Commissary at Fort Bliss, TX, for his three year tenure.

Blas enjoyed his retirement with Lois and their family on his ranch 10 miles south of Lead. His time was best spent sharing stories with his children, grandchildren, and their families. Blas enjoyed entertaining everyone with a wide variety of songs and his magnificent singing abilities. Blas was a devout Catholic, attending mass regularly until his passing.

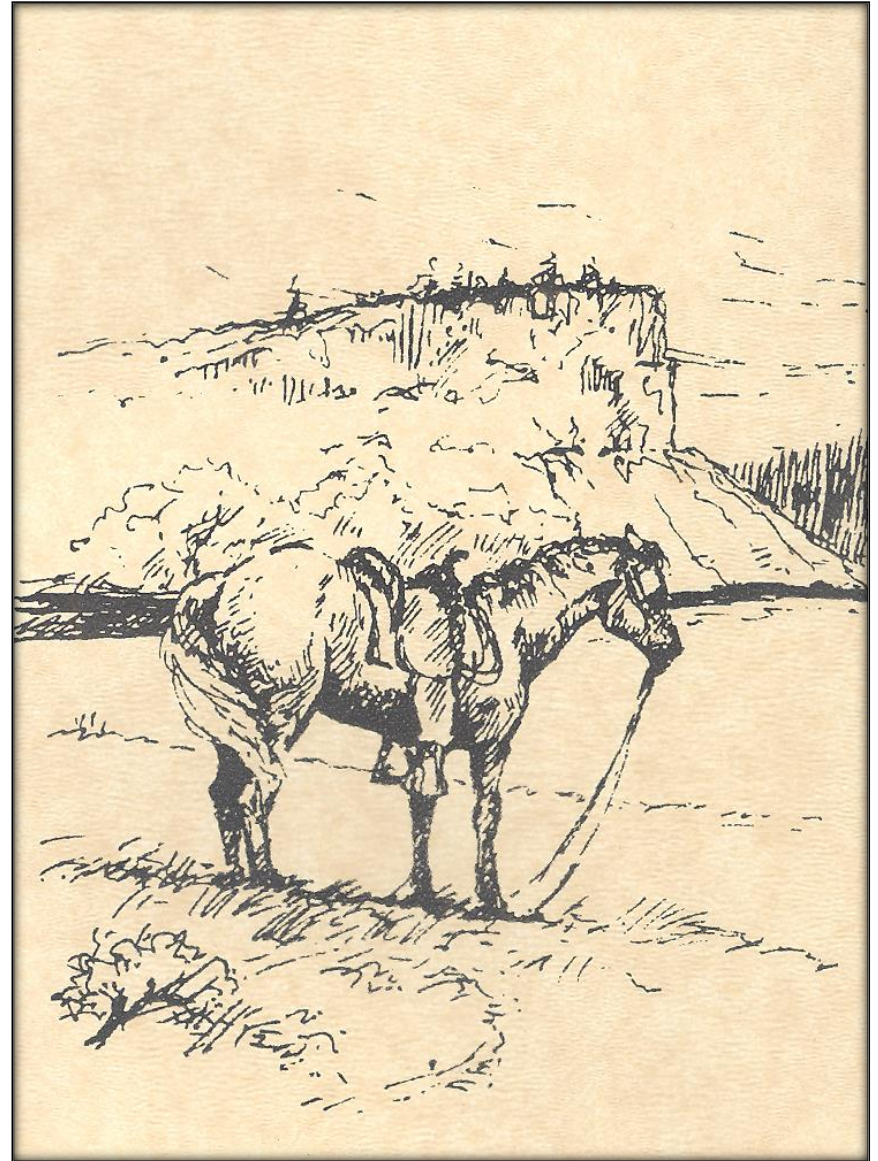
Blas N. Skvicalo, 89, died Tuesday, April 3, 2018, at his homestead. He will be greatly missed by his surviving family and friends.

Blas is survived by his wife, Lois Skvicalo of Lead; his sons, John (Cathy) Skvicalo of Lead, George (Shelly) Skvicalo of Savage, MN, and Mark (Tami) Skvicalo of Lead; his daughter, Mary (John) McNeary of Minneapolis, MN; seven grandsons; four granddaughters; and four great-grandchildren.

Blas was preceded in death by his father, Blas; his mother, Helen; brother, Peter; sister, Nickie; and infant brother, Blas.

A memorial has been established to the St. Patrick's Church.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.kinkadefunerals.com](http://www.kinkadefunerals.com).



*In Loving Memory Of*

*Blas Skvicalo*

*1928 ~ 2018*

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch in  
the church hall immediately following the funeral mass.  
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



***NEW ANGEL***

*Hold him gently, Jesus  
He was very tired today.  
He tried so hard to hide the pain  
And brush the tears away.  
You know how much he suffered, Lord,  
Yet loved you all the while.  
You know how many heartaches  
Were hidden in his smile.  
So hold him gently, Jesus,  
And I am sure you'll say  
The Cross he bore so patiently  
Became his Crown today.*

*In Loving Memory Of*

***Blas Nick Skvicalo***

***Born***

April 26, 1928  
Lead, South Dakota

***Died***

April 3, 2018  
Lead, South Dakota

***Vigil***

Sunday, April 8, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.  
St. Patrick's Catholic Church  
Lead, South Dakota

***Mass of Christian Burial***

Monday, April 9, 2018, at 10:00 a.m.  
St. Patrick's Catholic Church

***Celebrant***

Father Leo Hausmann

***Organist***

Lila Gross

***Soloist***

Cathy Laurenti ~ Sarah Carlson

***Musical Selections***

"Psalm 23" "Ave Marie"  
"Precious Lord Take My Hand"  
"Hosea"

***Pallbearers***

Pete Skvicalo ~ Jarod Skvicalo ~ Nick Skvicalo  
Elijah Skvicalo ~ Jesse Skvicalo ~ Jarek Skvicalo

***Interment***

Holy Cross Cemetery  
Lead, South Dakota