



Judge Elrae Rosander was born on May 14, 1924, at Isabel, SD, to Oscar and Florence (Lyke) Rosander. He attended grade school at Van Dusen School of Ziebach County. He attended one year of high school at Isabel and half a year as a sophomore in high school at Glad Valley, SD. Judge was in the US Navy from December 26, 1944, to February 5, 1946, as a carpenter mate of third class. Judge met the love of his life, Lois Ann Leinweber, in Colorado in the 1940's, and they were married on November 24, 1948 at Evergreen, CO. Lois was working as a typist for Montgomery Ward in Lakewood, CO. Judge was self-employed as a carpenter and excavator after their marriage.

Judge and Lois Rosander have lived in Nisland from 1984 to 2013, for 29 years; they have been married for 64 and a half years at the time of his death.

Judge was a lifetime member of the Sunshine Masonic Lodge of Isabel, SD.

Judge Elrae Rosander, 89, of Nisland, passed away on Tuesday, May 21, 2013, at the David M. Dorsett Healthcare Center in Spearfish.

He is survived by his wife, Lois Anne Rosander of Nisland; sisters, Elva Bell, 97 years old, of Belle Fourche, and Florene Reyman, 95 years old, and formerly of Belle Fourche; three granddaughters, Laura Thomas, Emily Susanne Wright, Sonya Rosander; three grandsons, Loren French, Jaren French, Bernard Rosander; two great-granddaughters, Ashton French, Auriel Thomas; three great-grandsons, Ethan French, Parker French, Aiden Thomas; and a special niece, nephew, and neighbors.

Judge is preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Eldon Rosander, 97 years old, of Rapid City; daughter, Carol Marie Wright of Virginia on April 21, 2003; and a son, Glen Alan Rosander of Moorpark, CA on October 12, 2011.

Judge was a father, grandfather, great-grandfather, husband, and a special uncle.

His hobbies were looking forward to seeing the sunshine mornings, and being a handy man. Judge and Lois both liked to watch the news, Jeopardy, and Wheel of Fortune on the television.

A memorial has been established to the Alzheimer's Association.

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



*In Loving Memory*  
*Judge Elrae Rosander*

*1924 ~ 2013*



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***Born***

May 14, 1924  
Isabel, South Dakota

***Died***

May 21, 2013  
Spearfish, South Dakota

***Funeral Services***

10:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 28, 2013  
Kinkade Funeral Chapel  
Sturgis, South Dakota

***Clergy***

Pastor Doug Clark

***Special Music***

"The Old Rugged Cross"

***Masonic Rites***

Olive Branch #47 A.F. & A.M.

***Military Honors***

Sturgis Veterans Honor Guard

***Interment***

Black Hills National Cemetery



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**A SAILOR'S PRAYER**

NOW I LAY ME DOWN TO SLEEP  
I PRAY THE LORD MY SOUL TO KEEP;  
GRANT NO OTHER SAILOR TAKE  
MY SHOES AND SOCKS BEFORE I WAKE;  
LORD, GUARD ME IN MY SLUMBER  
AND KEEP MY HAMMOCK ON ITS NUMBER;  
MAY NO CLUES NOR LASHINGS BREAK  
AND LET ME DOWN BEFORE I WAKE.  
KEEP ME SAFELY IN THY SIGHT  
AND GRANT NO FIRE DRILL TONIGHT;  
AND IN THE MORNING LET ME WAKE  
BREATHING SCENTS OF SIRLOIN STEAK.  
GOD PROTECT ME IN MY DREAMS  
AND MAKE THIS BETTER THAN IT SEEMS

GRANT THE TIME MAY SWIFTLY FLY  
WHEN MYSELF SHALL REST ON HIGH.  
IN A SNOWY FEATHER BED  
WHERE I LONG TO REST MY HEAD  
FAR AWAY FROM ALL THESE SCENES  
AND THE SMELL OF HALF DONE BEANS.  
TAKE ME BACK INTO THE LAND  
WHERE THEY DON'T SCRUB DOWN WITH SAND;  
WHERE NO DEMON TYPHOON BLOWS  
WHERE THE WOMEN WASH THE CLOTHES;  
GOD THOU KNOWEST ALL MY WOES —  
FEED ME IN MY DYING THROES;  
TAKE ME BACK I'LL PROMISE THEN  
NEVER TO LEAVE HOME AGAIN

**★ FOUR YEARS LATER ★**

OUR FATHER WHO ART IN WASHINGTON  
PLEASE, DEAR FATHER, LET ME STAY  
DO NOT DRIVE ME NOW AWAY  
WIPE AWAY MY SCALDING TEARS  
AND LET ME STAY FOR THIRTY YEARS  
PLEASE FORGIVE ME ALL MY PAST  
AND THINGS THAT HAPPENED  
AT THE MAST  
DO NOT MY REQUEST REFUSE  
AND LET ME STAY ANOTHER CRUISE.

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and refreshments at the funeral chapel following the committal service. We thank you for your presence and condolences.*