



Dedication Ceremony
Bernhard Hegland Memorial
Concordia Lutheran Cemetery
Rural Glyndon MN
May 28, 2007

SERVICE OF DEDICATION
9:00 AM
Memorial Day - May 28, 2007

Welcome	Pastor Paul Bortnem
Psalm 116	Responsive Reading
Remembrance of Bernhard	Scott Hegland
“God of Our Fathers”	All present
Dedication of the Memorial	Pastor Bortnem
Poem “We Shall Keep Faith”	Alene Anne Sladky
Wreath Laying	Please Stand
Taps	
Bernhard’s Prayer	All present

The flag used for the dedication was flown at Somme American Cemetery, Bony France, on October 8, 2006, the 88th anniversary of Bernhard’s death.

God of Our Fathers

The US Army Hymn

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band,
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,
Lead us from night to never ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

RESPONSIVE READING

PSALM 116, selected verses

L: I love the Lord

R: **Because he has heard my voice and my supplications**

L: Because he has inclined his ear to me

R: **Therefore I will call upon him as long as I live.**

L: The sorrows of death encircled me, and the pains of hell got hold of me

R: **I found trouble and sorrow**

L: Then I called upon the name of the Lord

R: **Oh Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.**

L: Gracious is the Lord, and righteous

R: **Yea, our God is merciful**

L: Return unto thy rest, O my soul

R: **For the Lord has dealt bountifully with thee.**

L: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

R: **O Lord, truly I am thy servant**

L: I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid:

R: **Thou hast loosed my bonds.**

L: I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving

R: **And will call upon the name of the Lord.**

L: I will pay my vows unto the Lord now

R: **In the presence of all his people**

Unison: **Praise ye the Lord.**

We Shall Keep the Faith

By Moira Michael

Oh! You who sleep in Flanders' fields,
Sleep sweet – to rise anew;
We caught the torch you threw;
And holding high we kept
The faith with those who died.
We cherish, too, the Poppy red
That grows on fields where valour led.
It seems to signal to the skies
That blood of heroes never dies,

But lends a lustre to the red
Of the flower that blooms above the dead
In Flanders' Fields.
And now the torch and poppy red
Wear in honour of our dead.
Fear not that ye have died for naught,
We've learned the lesson that ye taught
In Flanders' Fields.

Bernhard's Prayer

(based on the Prayer of the 118th Regiment)

Our living and loving Father, we remember Bernhard Hegland of Company F, 118th Infantry Regiment, 30th Division, who so gallantly served under the baptism of fire, and who gave his life for the principles of righteousness and the love of home. We thank you for the loving care that you showed him, in his life and in his death. He sleeps now on the fields of France, where he gave life's sweetest treasure to purchase freedom for this world. We gather here today to remember his life and honor his sacrifice. We cannot honor him too much. Though dead, yet he lives in the hearts of his family. We place this memorial so that he will be remembered by his family and all who visit here for generations to come. We know that Bernhard has been reunited with his parents, his sisters and brothers and we pray that, at the final reveille, we may all meet in the Heavenly Home, by the mercies of Christ our Lord.
Amen

Bernhard's Memorial Contributors

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