Henry Edward “Bud” DuShane

Henry Edward DuShane was born on August 22, 1879 in Ravenna Township, Dakota Co., MN. His parents were Edward O. DuShane and Anna Maria (Mary) Weiner. Shortly after their marriage in 1877, Ed and Mary moved from their birthplace in Ottawa, Waukesha, Wisconsin to Ravenna Township, Dakota Co., MN. Eight children were born to them and worked on the family farm in Ravenna. The children are: Mary, Henry, Francis, John, Ellen, Roy, Arthur, and Frances. Prior to his military service, Henry farmed with his siblings on the family farm purchased by his father and grandfather by 1876 in Ravenna Township on the Vermillion River. From 1906 to 1909, Henry worked on the Pacific connection building railroads from Milwaukee to Washington State.

Henry enlisted on May 31, 1918. He served with the Eastern Department, Section 7, Engineer Corps at Camp A. A. Humphrey in Virginia. Henry arrived there in May 1918.

Henry married Alice O’Leary of Rosemont on May 24, 1938 when he was 61 years of age. In August of 1938, Henry was credited for saving a neighbor’s home from a fire a mile up the dirt road. He quickly hitched his truck to his next door neighbor’s water tank to provide additional water that Hastings could not provide in Ravenna, a five mile trip. Henry signed up for the WW11 Draft when he was 62. At the time of his passing, his occupation was listed as Farmer. He had cancer surgery on June 3, 1952 and remained in the hospital for about three weeks. Henry died on July, 26, 1952 at St. Joseph’s Hospital in St. Paul, MN at age 72. He is buried at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, (formerly Guardian Angels), Hastings, MN with his wife, Alice O’Leary and a dozen DuShane family members.
In the above photo, Henry is pictured with a friend and horse.
In the above photo, Henry is pictured with Alice and her sister.
In the below photo, Henry is 4th on the top row. In the above photo, Henry is 3rd on the left.
Henry and the other railroad workers.

Alice is pictured here on the left. Sunday afternoon with family in 1959.
In the photo to the left, Henry is the one on the left, with friends.