

**CRAWFORD COUNTY  
TOMBSTONE INSCRIPTIONS**

**BRAZILTON ZION LUTHERAN  
CEMETERY**

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## BRAZILTON ZION LUTHERAN CEMETERY

Located about mid-way along the N side of Sect. 1, Twp. 29S Rge. 22E.  
This is about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi. E of the county mile road intersection at the SW cor of  
Brazilton, on the S side of the road. There are 2 gates and 2 drives into the  
cem., with 4 N-S rows of stones between them.

This is a newer cemetery, the oldest date of death found was that of Arthur  
Bennefeld who died Apr 23 1915. It is well kept and has no older-type stones.  
The official cem. of the Zion Lutheran Church of Brazilton.

West row, N to S:

(v) Fred W. Tietgen 1892-1963

(govt.) Steven H. Bennefeld Kansas PFC Co G 9 Mar 3 Mar Div. Vietnam PH  
Dec 24 1947 July 29 1967

our baby **Delra** Louise Bennefeld June 27 1955 April 15 1957

(v) Willard O. Viets 1915-1956

(v) Velma O'Bryan 1910-1966

William Willard O'Bryan Jan 21 1944 May 5

(h) Cora Kathleen Bockelman Feb 19- Mar 6- 1939

(v) Adolf H. Bennefeld 1882-1966

(v) Wilhelmina Bennefeld 1918-1967

Infant of Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Bennefeld July 1944

Carl E. Bennefeld died May 6 1930 14 yrs. 7 mo. 25 days

(h) Rev. Ernst Robert 1860-1943

(h) Anna Sophia Robert 1871-1943

Bowen James E. 1875-1956 Lena 1876-1958

(double h) Imbusch Claus 1850-1916 Catherina 1863-1954

William Huning 1829-1916

Imbusch Katie M. wife of C. H. Imbusch Aug 2 1890 May 2 1918

Marie Huning 1836-1919

(v) Matilda Eckhoff 1886-1963

(v) William Eckhoff 1883-1964

Balke Asleep in Jesus Bernhard July 22 1861 Mar 12 1940 The lines are fallen  
unto me in pleasant places. Kathrina Mar 9 1861 Oct 23 1948 I have a  
desire to depart and to be with Christ .

2nd row from W., S to N:

(v) Janet Elaine Boettjer 1949-1958

(v) Theodore D. Boettjer 1891-1957

(h) Virgil Boettjer Mar 15- Mar 18- 1924

(h) Ruth M. Matthies June 4 1917 June 5 1917

(small h) Henrietta Brauer 1914-1917

" Infant daughter of Fred & Anna Brauer Dec 8 1915

Bennefeld Arthur Bennefeld born Dec 26 1904 died Apr 23 1915

Luhrs Father Claus 1847-1932 Mother Anna 1853-1935

Bennefeld Mother Matilda 1877-1943 Father Fred 1876-1959

Cordes Katie Hess Cordes 1858-1939 May thy will be done.

(h) Brunjes William B. 1878-1937 Caroline E. 1877 -1963

(v) Katie M. Coester Sept 6 1869 Mar 5 1947

(v) Henry C. Coester Mar 27 1864 Feb 18 1945

Viets Elsin M. 1887-1942 George A. 1885-1952

Wintjen Father William D. Dec 1 1888 June 26 1944 Mother Eda A. Oct 21 1903  
In loving memory

(m.m.m.) Eda Wintjen 1903-1969 W. D. Smith Funeral Home.

(govt. h.) Raymond John Wintjen Kansas AD 3 US Navy Korea June 28 1929 Aug 18 1959

Dunn Father Frank J. 1874-1957 Mother Maggie Z. 1887---

(m.m.m.) Frank Dunn 1874-1957 Smith Wilcox Funeral Home

3rd row from W., N to S:

(h) Jerry infant son of Mr. & Mrs. Edgar Von Soosten Oct 30 1963

(v) George C. Von Soosten 1891-1962

Bollwinkel Father J. Henry 1876-1947 Mother Maggie M. 1879-1966

(v) (new, no name; flowers indicate a recent burial)

(v) Fred Brauer 1878-1960

(v) Anna Brauer 1879-1953

(h) Mother Imogene M. Bryan Jan 6 1922 May 18 1956

(h) Mother Lina G. Meyer Feb 11 1895 May 19 1954

(h) Mother Emma M. Forbes Linke Mar 26 1885 Apr 4 1958

(double h) Koester husband William D. 1887 -1945 wife Lydia M. 1891 -19--

(h) Ewald E. Meyer 1900-1956

Meyer Mother Kathrine 1860-1931 Father Dietrich 1855-1938

(v) Lina S. Steffens 1878-1942

(v) Paul Steffens 1876-1953

(v) Albert J. Boettjer 1889-1965

4th row from W (East row) S to N;

- (v) The Rev. R. F. H. Pralle 1894-1968
- (v) John R. Eickhoff 1884-1969
- (v) Katie Eickhoff 1882-1964
- (v) Nora M. Imbusch 1897-1961
- (v) Martin C. Imbusch 1893-1965
- (v) Katherine Brauer 1878-1957
- (v) Richard (Dick) Brauer 1874-1958
- (v) Louis J. Bollwinkel 1882-1959
- (v) Alma L. Bollwinkel 1891-1966
- (v) Louis Bruenjes 1886-1967