

# *George & Mary Jane Eidsness*

## *Scholarship Endowment*



George and Mary Jane Eidsness farmed seven miles west of Brocket, North Dakota, where they raised a family of five sons and two daughters—George, Gaerth, Kelby, Marghi, Gregg, Collin, and Cary. Their family has since grown to include many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

George was a visionary farmer, staying alert to changes and advances in agricultural practices. He was always ready to try new crops, such as sunflowers and canola. George served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a member of the Brocket Elevator Board and was Newbre Township board secretary for many years. He was active in the Farm Bureau, the Farm School Program, and Brocket United Lutheran Church. George was also a member of the Elks and the Eagles in Devils Lake.

Mary Jane taught in various Ramsey

County schools, was active in the Brocket United Lutheran Church, and provided accompaniment for church services as well as weddings, funerals, and other community events. Through the years, she taught many piano students and has always enjoyed sewing for her family and for those in need.

George passed away in February 1997, and Mary Jane now lives in the Touchmark in Bismarck where she continues to enjoy sewing for others.

George and Mary Jane both appreciated the value of a good education, and they were proud that all seven of their children attended college. Mary Jane established the George and Mary Jane Eidsness Scholarship Endowment in August of 2019 to help make a college education affordable to those in need. Recipients are to be exemplary students from the United States. **δ**