



# Roxsand



## "Never, Never, Never Give Up"

Originally spoken by Sir Winston Churchill in 1941 at London's Harrow School, this rallying cry urged students to never yield to the enemy during the darkest days of WWII.

Growing up, these words anchored the walls of classrooms and locker rooms; today, they have held a permanent spot on my refrigerator and remind me of the past, present and future.

This mindset is equally vital in sports. We often witness athletes written off after devastating

injuries, only to see them return stronger than ever. As the high school and college winter seasons wind down, that "never give up" spirit is what fuels the buzzer-beater shot or that final-second takedown. It is a level of grit that defines champions.

Beyond the arena, these five words define our personal lives. When faced with challenges in family, health, relationships, or careers, the easy path is to quit. However, if we surrender when times get tough, we stunt our growth and never realize our full potential. Perseverance transforms our greatest obstacles into our most significant victories.

When looking at LGE's 150-year history, it is clear that our leadership and employees embody this relentless attitude. This legacy of resilience has seen us through countless global shifts and industry changes. By embracing this tenacity, we ensure that LGE remains a beacon of strength and innovation for the next century and beyond.

**-Scott Rorvick, Programmer Analyst**  
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## Happy Birthday

- Jacob Hughes - Ortonville
- Richard Gustafson - Ortonville
- Luis Rodriguez Montalvo - Ragsdale
- Zachariah Mattson - Washta
- Ruby Anderson - Ace Ready Mix

## Milestone Anniversary

- Justin Lebahn - Sioux Falls
- Larry Holzman - West Sioux

**L. G. EVERIST, INC.**

## REFERRAL BONUS

*Do you know someone who would make a great addition to our team? We are looking for safe, reliable individuals interested in our industry.*

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## Weekly Throwbacks

Follow along on our social media pages to read up on our weekly throwbacks, every thursday in 2026!



### Ortonville Inception

Around 1968, Rick Everist Sr. saw an opportunity to supply track ballast to the Soo Line Railroad as it crossed Minnesota.

Accordingly, he purchased a large parcel in Ortonville, MN, and began to develop a "green-field" quarry – “The Ortonville Stone Company.” Parts and pieces of four separate portable crushing plants (Virginia, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Nebraska) were re-assembled for this location to fully open in 1971.

By 2008, the location name became "L. G. Everist, Inc."



### Connolly-Pacific

In 1977, Rick Everist Sr. purchased the company located out of Long Beach Harbor, after the sale of LGE's Rapid City, SD quarry. This acquisition came with access to Pebble Beach Quarry on Catalina Island, owned by the Wrigley family. The material sourced from the quarry was loaded directly onto barges and pulled by tugboat to the construction sites - coastal, river, harbor, and ocean-based projects. Connolly-Pacific was owned and operated by L. G. Everist for 23 years.



### Big Sioux River Flood of 1969

Back in April of 1969, the Big Sioux River saw historic flooding created by heavy spring snow melt - reports of 90 inches of snow had fallen that winter. The LGE (east) quarry in Dell Rapids filled completely with flood waters after the dike broke. It took several months of pumping to resume operations.

From a New York Times article from April of 1969 - "About noon here on Wednesday, a 12-foot levee next to a 150-foot deep quarry collapsed, filling the huge excavation with

2-billion gallons of water. Virgil Smith, publisher of The Dell Rapids Tribune, said water levels in the city dropped immediately." Area manager, Bob Hoffman, recalls hearing people retell the events, saying it was as if someone flushed a toilet or pulled a plug - the water was up to where the Prohibition Bar is (formerly Smoky's). Then it immediately started to recede when it breached the quarry, saving many homes in the area and other towns along the Big Sioux River.

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