

Ruth Elaine Simon

Ruth Elaine Friese Simon, was born May 15, 1925, in Wolsey, SD. to Harold and Korea (Leonard) Friese.

Ruth was raised in Wolsey along with her brother, Duane Friese. She graduated from Wolsey High School and in 1947 she graduated from nursing school in Huron, SD. As a nurse, she met her future husband who was a patient in the Army Ward at Huron.

Ruth Elaine Friese was united in marriage to Glen Arthur Simon on June 8, 1947, in Huron, SD. They made their first home in Lead, SD. Later, they moved to the Bison and Meadow area. Eventually they purchased a ranch south of Timber Lake, SD.

To this union, four sons were born. Glen passed away in March 1969 of lung cancer. In 1971, her oldest son was killed in Indiana from a car crash. In the late summer of 1969, Elaine moved to Sturgis, SD, and worked as a County Health Nurse and eventually as a nurse at the Sturgis Community Nursing Home. She retired in 1992, and after selling her home moved to several locations to be closer to family. In 2008, she returned to the Black Hills, which she loved. She had a great passion for fishing, hiking, and camping throughout the hills. She enjoyed taking her grandchildren to great places and spending time with them in the outdoors.

Elaine passed away peacefully in Spearfish, SD, at age 91, surrounded by family on July 7, 2016.

She is survived by her sons, Gary (Ramona) Simon of Timber Lake, SD, Dick (Janelle) Simon of Elko, NV, and Brent (Laura) Simon of Sandy, OR; 10 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; and one brother, Duane Friese of Hot Springs, SD.

Elaine was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Glen; and son, Darrel Simon. Elaine will be laid to rest between her husband and son at the Bear Butte Cemetery in Sturgis, SD.

A memorial has been established to LifeSpring Wesleyan Church in Sturgis.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.

The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch at the Sturgis Vet's Club following the committal service. We thank you for your presence and condolences.

In Loving Memory Of



Ruth Elaine Simon

1925 ~ 2016



*To everything there is a season,
and a time to every purpose under the heaven:
A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to
plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;
A time to kill, and a time to heal;
A time to break down, and a time to build up;
A time to weep, and a time to laugh;
A time to mourn, and a time to dance;
A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather
stones together; a time to embrace, and a time
to refrain from embracing;
A time to get, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to cast away;
A time to rend, and a time to sew;
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
A time to love, and a time to hate;
a time of war, and a time of peace.*

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Born

May 15, 1925
Wolsey, South Dakota

Died

July 7, 2016
Spearfish, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Saturday, July 9, 2016, at 2:00 p.m.
Kinkade Funeral Chapel

Officiant

Pastor Scott McMurdy

Musical Selections

"Amazing Grace"
"The Old Rugged Cross"
"It Is Well With My Soul"

Pallbearers

Garret Simon ~ Rustin Simon ~ Shanna Gebhardt
Chad Simon ~ NikKayla Simon ~ Jamie Simon
Eva Simon ~ Chyrie Simon ~ Desiree Simon ~ Justin Simon

Honorary Pallbearers

Great-Grandchildren
Dimitri Fast Horse ~ Tuffy Simon ~ Camryn Simon
Caelyn Simon ~ Carsyn Simon ~ Cadynce Simon
Thaddeus Olson ~ Caleb Simon ~ Jayden Simon
And All Family and Friends, Far and Near

Interment

Bear Butte Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota