#### Martha "Marty" Jean Patterson

Marty was the youngest of seven born to Frank B. and Mabel I. (Beatty) Cooper at Piedmont March 7, 1929. She started school at Piedmont, attended Black Hills Teachers College in Spearfish then taught rural schools for three years in western South Dakota.

She married William J. "Bill" Patterson June 11, 1951. Two children, James (Judy) and Margaret (Chuck) Niles were born to this union.

She and Bill worked five years on the original Patterson Homestead, 9 miles east of Sulphur. In 1956, they moved to the Camp Creek Ranch 7 miles south of Mud Butte which they later bought.

Bill and Marty ran both sheep and cattle. She and Bill were active in both

stock growers and woolgrowers organizations. She was state lamb promotion chairman and also participated in the "Make it yourself with wool" contests.

Marty maintained a home in Sturgis for over eight years while the children attended school. She came home on weekends and vacations in any kind of weather. Both Jim and Margaret graduated from Sturgis Brown High School. Marty worked side-by-side with Bill and still managed to be a good mother, cook, and companion. Homemade bread, cinnamon rolls, and lemon pie were family favorites.

In 1997, Bill and Marty retired to their home in Sturgis, leasing out their ranch.

One of Marty's passions was card playing. She belonged to several bridge groups and could always find time for a game of cribbage. She loved music - playing the organ "by ear" when she wasn't doodling. She often put her thoughts to verse, several of which were published.

Martha "Marty" Jean Patterson died Friday, July 21, 2017 at Hospice House in Rapid City.

She is survived by her sister, Alta; children, Jim and Margaret; and grandchildren, Aaron, Amanda, and Kyna.

Marty was preceded in death by her parents, five siblings, and husband, Bill.

Memorial donations can be made to the Mud Butte VFD or the Sturgis Senior Center.

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



### In Loving Memory Of



# Martha "Marty" Jean Patterson

1929 ~ 2017



#### Miss Me – But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room
Why cry for a soul set free.

Miss me a little – but not for long And not with your head bowed low Remember the Love that we once shared Miss Me – But let Me Go.

For this is a journey we all must take
And each must go alone
It's all a part of the Master's plan
And a step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick of heart
Go to the friends we know
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds
Miss Me – But Let Me Go



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Born

Died

March 7, 1929

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#### Vigil

Wednesday, July 26, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Kinkade Funeral Chapel Sturgis, South Dakota

#### Mass of Christian Burial

Thursday, July 27, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Sturgis, South Dakota

#### Celebrant

Father Timothy Castor *Con Celebrant*Father John Heying

Accompanist

Cantor

Dr. Barry Furze

Myron Volk

#### **Musical Selections**

"A Perfect Day" "Be Not Afraid" "Gift Of Finest Wheat" "Eat This Bread" "My Cathedral" "On Eagle's Wings"

#### **Pallbearers**

Amanda Patterson

Harley Rounds ~ Larry Schuelke ~ Bob Anderson Bob Hanzlik ~ Don Trohkimoinen ~ Randy Brennick

#### Interment

Bear Butte Cemetery Sturgis, South Dakota