Marlene Joyce Perry

Marlene Joyce (Peyton) Perry, 89, of Spearfish, SD, passed away on July 5th, 2022, which would have been her husband Ken's 89th birthday.

Mar was born in Deadwood, SD, on March 24, 1933, to Leonard and Charlotte (Lamm) Peyton. She was blessed with a brother, Richard, ten years later. Marlene attended school in Deadwood graduating in 1951. On May 27, 1951, one week after graduation, she married her high school sweetheart, Kenneth Perry. They were blessed with one daughter, Colleen.

Ten years after graduating from high school, Mar decided to return to school at Black Hills State University. She caught a ride to Spearfish with her brother, Dick who had just begun college. She graduated in 1964, with a degree in Elementary Education. Marlene taught at Deadwood Elementary School for twenty-nine rewarding years. She had fond memories of former first and second grade students, as well as her coworkers.

While living in Deadwood, Mar was a member of P.E.O. and Delta Kappa Gamma. She belonged to the South Dakota Retired Teachers Association. Marlene and Ken were active members of the Deadwood United Methodist Church. After their move to Spearfish in 1994, they became involved members of the United Methodist Church of Spearfish.

Marlene enjoyed reading, traveling and visiting with friends. Her greatest joy was spending time with family for birthdays, holidays, vacations, and any time in between. They loved to follow their grandkids, and later, great grandkids, and truly enjoyed watching them participate in school and sports activities.

Mar is survived by her daughter, Colleen Harford of Spearfish; son-in-law, Russ Harford, Chadron, NE; her grandchildren, Joshua Harford, and Mindy Sandoval, Frederick, CO, Kenette, and Ryan Scharf, Spearfish, SD, and Toby Harford, Lincoln, NE; her great-grandchildren, Skylar Harford, Larkyn Harford, Charlotte Harford, Lennon Sandoval, Will Scharf, Kate Scharf, and Jack Scharf; her sister-in-law, Mary (John) Nygaard, Spearfish, SD; nieces, Crystal Bartlow, Apache Junction, AZ, Kim Stafford, Deadwood, SD, and Connie (Vince) Braun, Rapid City, SD; nephews, Kevin (Lisa) Peyton, Deadwood, SD, and Ted (Lynn) Manley, Sun River, MT.

Marlene was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Kenneth; baby daughter, Debra Jean, who died at birth; her parents; father and mother-in-law, Theodore (Mary) Perry; brother, Richard "Dick" Peyton; sister-in-law, Fran Watt; and brother-in-law, Gerald Perry.

Marlene was grateful for all the doctors, nurses, and staff, that cared for her at the end of her life at the Monument Health ER and hospital in Spearfish, as well as the kind, loving people at Spearfish Canyon Nursing Home who worked diligently to make her comfortable.

Memorials have been established to the Children First Spearfish United Methodist Church or the donor's choice.

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

In Loving
Memory Of

Marlene Joyce Perry

March 24, 1933 ~ July 5, 2022

The family would like you to join them for fellowship and lunch following the service at the church.

We thank you for your presence and condolences.





The Twenty-Third Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.



In Loving Memory Of

Marlene Joyce Perry

Born
March 24, 1933
Deadwood, South Dakota

Died
July 5, 2022
Spearfish, South Dakota

Memorial Services Monday, July 11, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. Spearfish United Methodist Church Spearfish, South Dakota

Officiant
Pastor John Madvig

Musicians
Barb Mattson Janet Lamphear
Colleen McKirdy

Musical Selections
"How Great Thou Art" "I'll Fly Away"

Honorary Urnbearers
All Marlene's Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren

Final Resting Place
Mountain Lawn Cemetery
Lead, South Dakota