

Dorothy Elaine Dunn was born October 4, 1934, in Rural Sturgis, SD, to Jakob and Margret (Lorang) Weyrich. She was the second youngest of ten children. She graduated from high school and went on to a Teachers College.

Dorothy married Lynn Dunn of rural Harding County on June 4, 1953, in Belle Fourche. She moved to Texas with her husband, Lynn (who was stationed there for the military), for two years before moving back to South Dakota. They purchased the farm east of Vale in 1961. They reared their four sons, James, Daniel, Mark, and Keith, on the farm. Dorothy started a dairy with her husband in the 70's on which she worked hard, alongside Lynn, till she retired in the late 1990's. She loved to travel in her RV with Lynn, which included several trips to Alaska, Norfest in ND, and so much more.

Dorothy was big in the local activities of the community. She was an active member of the Empire Friends Church until it closed. She loved to quilt and crochet. She loved to oil paint the land around her, along with anything else that she thought was beautiful. She had a passion for gardening and growing flowers alongside her house. Dorothy loved to play cribbage and solitaire in her free time. She was a big supporter of the 4-H groups. Dorothy shared 64 years of marriage with her best friend before he passed in 2017.

Dorothy, 84, rural Vale, died Monday, July 15, 2019, in her home, Vale, SD.

She is survived by her sons, James and his wife, Sarah of Austin, TX, and their children, Ryan (wife, Mikayla) and Rachael; Daniel and his wife, Wanda of Vale, SD, and their children, Jennifer, Michael (wife, Sarah), Danielle, and Kristen (husband, Michael Connell); Mark and his wife, Lori of Conroe, TX, and their children, Kevin (wife, Stacey), Scott, and Brian; Keith and his wife, Colette of Vale, SD, and their children, Brianne (husband, Mateo Ochoa) and Logan; and seven great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister, Gladys Cox of Vale, SD; and brothers, Paul Weyrich of Newcastle, WY, and Frank Weyrich of Yoder, WY.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lynn; her parents; her brothers, Victor and Leo; and sisters, Louise, Clara, Helen, and Mary.

Memorials have been established to the Vale Community Hall and the Vale Cemetery.

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



In Loving Memory

Dorothy Elaine Dunn

October 4, 1934 ~ July 15, 2019

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The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch at the Vale Community Hall following the committal service. We thank you for your presence and condolences.

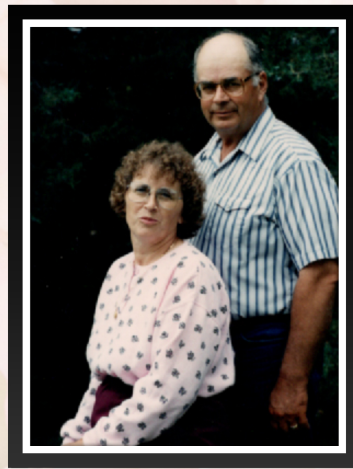
This a Poem that embodies Dorothy's Life

A mother's quilt is made with loving hands and heart. Each stitch sewn so it will never fall apart. It is made from the colorful fabric of life traditions, dreams, memory and strife.

The pattern changes throughout the years, as children are added here and there. And still, with patience and delight, she makes the most beautiful quilt of her life.

One that will warm her on nights so cold. And comfort her when she grows old, when she will look back upon the years and the family she's made with love and care.

When she sees no more rising of the sun, let all look, and rejoice at what she's done. And how the changing pattern seems just right, Behold the masterpiece of a mother's life.



Memories Build a Special Bridge

*Our memories build a special bridge
when loved ones have to part
To help us feel we're with them still
and soothe a grieving heart.*

*Our memories span
the years we shared,
reserving ties that bind,
They build a special bridge of love
and bring us peace of mind.
If tears could build a stairway
And memories a lane
I'd walk right up to heaven
And bring you home again*



In Memory Of

Dorothy Elaine Dunn

Date of Birth

October 4, 1934

Sturgis, South Dakota

Date of Death

July 15, 2019

Vale, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Friday, July 26, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.

Believers Fellowship Church

Sturgis, South Dakota

Officiant

Pastor John Williamson

Musicians

Audrey Belitz

Musical Selections

"How Great Thou Art" "It Is Well With My Soul"

"On Eagle's Wings" "Amazing Grace"

Pallbearers

Ryan Dunn Michael Dunn Kevin Dunn

Logan Dunn Scott Dunn Brian Dunn

Honorary Pallbearers

Jennifer Dunn Rachael Dunn Danielle Dunn

Brianne Ochoa Kristen Connell

Final Resting Place

Vale Cemetery

Vale, South Dakota