

Margaret Bernice (Schuelke) Vansickel

Margaret Bernice (Schuelke) Vansickel was born September 24, 1927, on a ranch near Mud Butte, SD, to Albert and Elizabeth (Peregrine) Schuelke. She was 7th child and the last surviving of the 13 children. She was raised on a ranch near Mud Butte, where she attended Eagle School. She then moved to Spearfish to attend high school, before going to Sturgis High School, where she graduated. She met Norman Vansickel and they were married March 22, 1947, at Sturgis, SD. To this marriage there were 4 children. Billy Dean, Richard Lee, Carmen Lynn, and Nina Rae. They spent most of their years together ranching at Opal before moving to Spearfish when they retired from the ranch.

She enjoyed helping put a Faith, SD, book together to help preserve history. Family history was very important to her. She had many hobbies throughout her life. She enjoyed painting pictures, quilting, embroidering, gardening, but there was nothing on earth she loved more than family and friends. She loved having family dinners and baking cookies so when someone stopped, they could have cookies and coffee together. She enjoyed going to the Spearfish Senior Center to line dance, but when that got too hard to do that, she joined the chorus group there and sang her little heart out.

Margaret B. "McGee" Vansickel, age 96, of Spearfish, formerly of Opal, passed away Monday, October 23, 2023, at Spearfish Canyon Healthcare.

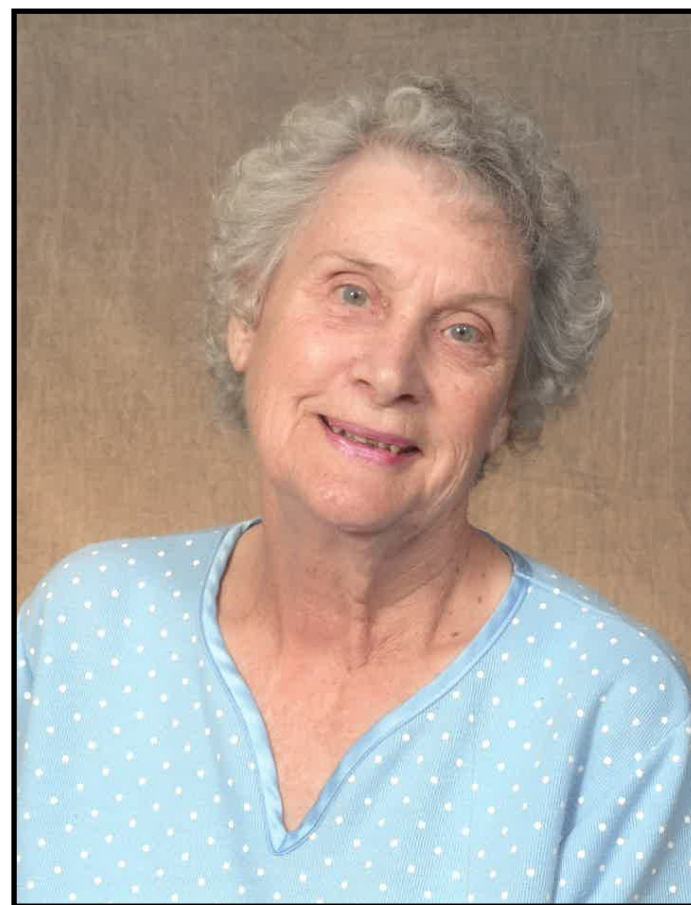
Survivors include her daughters; Carmen (John) Heidler, and Nina Vansickel; daughter-in-law, Bev Christofferson; grandchildren, Deanna (Daniel) Staudt, Billy (Emily Wang) Vansickel, Bret Vansickel, Corky (Sharon) Heidler, Kelli (Kevin) Bebout, Chip (Mindy) Heidler, O.J. (Leah) Heidler, Erika (Shawn) Brightman, and Chance (Merretta) Anderson; great-grandchildren, Mikayla Enspam, Shanell & Madalyn Peterson, Brittany (Nate) Christopherson, Jessica Vansickel (Shad) Green, Kayla Heidzig (Ryan Grant), Kolt (Dacia) Vansickel, Noah Hannah, Austin (Kelsey) Keffeler, Shania (Chance) Jensen, Peyton Smith, Alexis, Corbett, Harlie Jo, Braylie, Ryden, Tryen Heidler, Toby, Dane, & Charlie Heidzig, Akira Vansickel, Carson, Ashlynn Reed, Kashton Green, Kolt Vansickel, Gus and Hank Anderson; lots and lots of nieces and nephews. Some very special people in her life that have been there for her, Gary and Ardy Richards, Jody Simons, and Dana Eberhard.

Margaret was preceded in death by her parents, Albert and Elizabeth; husband, Norman; two sons, Bill, and Dick; grandchildren; Tyler Anderson, Shawna Vansickel, and Shane Vansickel; great-grandchildren, Aiden, and Billy; her mother and father-in-law, Oscar and Juanita Vansickel; along with her 12 siblings.

A memorial has been established to the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Rapid City and the Spearfish Senior Center.

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

In Loving Memory Of



Margaret Bernice Vansickel

September 24, 1927 ~ October 23, 2023

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and refreshments downstairs, following the service.
Thank you for your presence and condolences.*



McGee's version of "A Mustard Seed"

This morn I woke up about 5:30 a perfect time. I shut my eyes for just a moment, and thanked our heavenly Father for this new day and all His blessings, and offered Him my every thought, word, and, deed that they proceed from and be directed according to His holy will.

I must have fell back to sleep for a minute, because I had a dream. I found myself at a special occasion

in someone's life. Someone came in with a stack of items, and on the top there were 8 envelopes, meant for 8 different people. She handed them to me and I laid them down along with the other items and gifts.

When everyone got to the table to watch the one who the occasion was for open her gifts. The 8 envelopes were gone. So the 8 people never received. Now lets say, the generous giver was sowing God's mustard seed to 8 souls. Not one mustard seed would grow, because of a bad soul, stole all the seeds. Now say all seeds went to all who are working with God. How God's grace would have grown. What a different world this would be.

So seek first the kingdom of God. If things aren't going right in your life don't be afraid to ask God for direction. When you get your mustard seed, offer it up to Him who made it and you. He loves every soul He created and He loves and wants to share heaven with you.



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Born

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Died

**October 23, 2023
Spearfish, South Dakota**

Rosary

**Tuesday, November 7, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.
Kinkade Funeral Chapel
Sturgis, South Dakota**

Mass of Christian Burial

**Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.
Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
Rapid City, South Dakota**

Celebrant

Father Gregory Bartholomew

Musicians

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church Choir

Special Music

Liturgical Music

Pallbearers

**Billy Vansickel Brett Vansickel Corky Heidler
Chip Heidler O.J. Heidler Chance Anderson**

Final Resting Place

**Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota**