

Lavina Ruth Goddard

On September 4, 1947, Lavina and twin sister, Lavera were born to Wesley and Evelyn (Cooper) Lushbough in Rapid City, SD. While working one summer at the BHSC cafeteria, she met Marshall Goddard. Marshall and Lavina wed on February 13, 1965, at the Presbyterian church in Sturgis, SD. She graduated from Spearfish High School that spring and went on to earn her teaching certificate at Black Hills State. Marshall and Lavina spent two years teaching rural schools in the Phillip area. Marshall and Lavina moved to Prairie City, SD, in 1970 and spent the next 37 years ranching. In 1982, Lavina was added to the Lords Church and remained a devoted Christian until her passing. In 2007, Lavina and Marshall moved to Sturgis, SD.

Lavina was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend. She had no greater joy than spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They were the loves of her life and her memory will live on forever in their hearts.

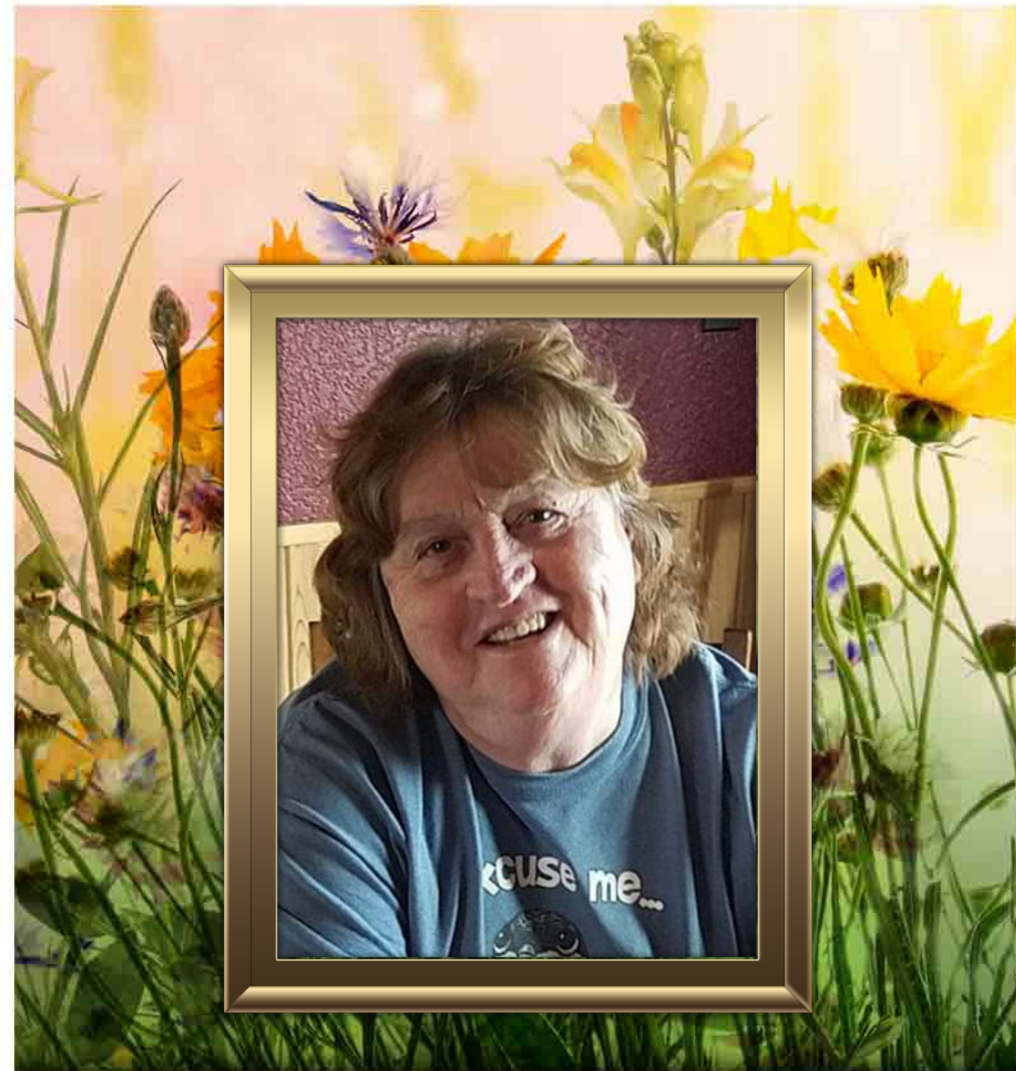
Lavina Ruth Goddard, 72, passed away peacefully on June 12, 2020, at her home surrounded by her family after a long battle with cancer.

Blessed for having shared in her life are her children, Todd (Janelle) Goddard of Prairie City, SD, and Tammy Derschan, Sturgis, SD; sister, Lavera (Ken) Moum Sturgis, SD; mother-in-law, Anna Goddard, Sturgis, SD; grandchildren, Ashleigh (Steven) Nash, Prairie City, SD, Roy Goddard (Shannon Bailey), Prairie City, SD, Chandler Derschan (Joseph Loux), Spearfish, SD, and Broox Derschan (Kassidi Goldsmith), Humboldt, SD; great-grandchildren, Quinleigh and Lloyd Nash; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Lavina was preceded in death by her husband, Marshall Goddard; parents, Wesley and Evelyn Lushbough; brother, Ralph Lushbough; father-in-law, Forrest Goddard; and infant grandson, David Marshall Derschan.

A memorial has been established to the Sorum/Reva Fire Department.

Condolences can be sent to www.kinkadefunerals.com.



In Loving Memory

Lavina Ruth Goddard

September 4, 1947 ~ June 12, 2020



THE BROKEN CHAIN

by Ron Tranmer

*We knew that day,
God was going to call your name.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death, we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you.
You did not go alone.
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home.
You left us beautiful memories,
Your love is still our guide.
And although we cannot see you,
You are always at our side.
Our family chain is broken,
And nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.*



In Memory Of

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Date of Birth

September 4, 1947
Rapid City, South Dakota

Date of Death

June 12, 2020
Sturgis, South Dakota

Graveside Service

Monday, June 15, 2020, at 2:30 p.m.
Bear Butte Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota

Clergy

Pastor Ozzie McDaniel

Songs

"Precious Memories"
"I'll Fly Away"

