A Tribute to Mom

Thank you for all the ways you made my life special over the years. You taught me right from wrong, how to help others and forgive people by looking past their imperfections.

A ray of sunshine is how I can best describe my mom. Always there to protect and guide me, even though she might question my path at times. She knew how to show just the right amount of disapproval when needed and praise for a job well done. She opened my eyes to many opportunities over the years through music and dance. She was there for every recital and concert, no matter how old I was.

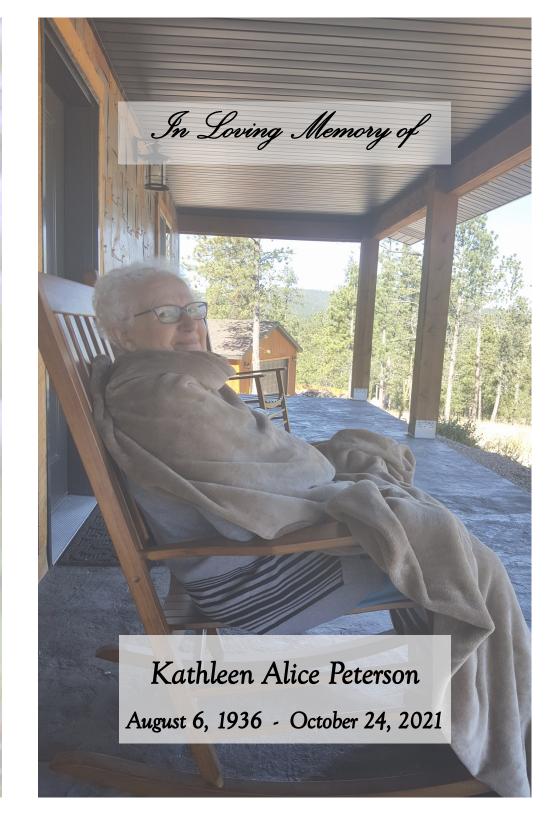
She made me a stronger, more confident individual with her work ethic and perseverance. She had limitless energy and always put her family first when they needed help, support or a sounding board. She was a great caretaker for my Grandma, Great Aunt and Father. Her compassion and understanding were second to none. I had a cousin tell me that she wished she had mom's "calm". Mom was the most humble person I have ever met and no, I am not biased!

COVID took my mom before I was ready to let her go. I was not there to see her take her last breath and hope that is the way she wanted to depart. It seems most unfair and painful to think about the future. She would want me to pursue my dreams and not get bogged down in sadness. Keeping busy is the only way I will make it through this.

I promise to take care of Dad the best I can and not let him get the best of me. I hope that he will keep up the good work staying strong and not give up because now it's only me.

Thank you, Mom, for coming to South Dakota with me, even if you were scared and didn't really want to. For that most kind, selfless act, I have arranged for you to fly back to Buffalo, NY (hopefully on Delta) where you will be surrounded by your loved ones and be at peace once again. Dad and I will miss you here, but I know being in NY is your true desire. I will think of you every day and try not to cry too hard. Thanks again, Mom, for being the best role model a daughter could ask for! Wishing you all the best on your journey and may we be together again soon.

Love,
Lisa XOXO



























Kathleen Alice Peterson

Born August 6, 1936 New York

Died
October 24, 2021
Sturgis, South Dakota

Service
Friday, October 29, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.
Kinkade Funeral Chapel
Sturgis, South Dakota

Officiant
Pastor David Baer







