

Laverne Adelaide Peterson

Laverne was born May 8, 1923, to Albert and Ida (Flolo) Ellingboe on the family farm in Sunburg, MN. Both of her parents died when Laverne was very young, so she was raised by her Grandma Flolo. She graduated from Brooton High School in 1941. She moved to Minneapolis where she worked at an auto parts store and later met the love of her life Roy. He had just returned home from World War II.

She married Roy Peterson on July 19, 1946. They lived in several locations across Minnesota and North Dakota before moving to Huron, SD, in 1956. They were blessed with 4 children, Nancy, Kathryn, Barbara, and Thomas. In 1979, they moved to Black Hawk, SD, and later Rapid City. After the passing of Roy in 2001, Laverne continued living in her apartment in Rapid City where she enjoyed socializing and having coffee with all the residents. She enjoyed quilting, sewing, knitting dishclothes and making lefse. She could speak Norwegian and would often recite the Norwegian prayer she was taught as a child. She was very proud of her Norwegian heritage. Roy was Swedish and they enjoyed the rivalry of the better nationality.

The past four years were spent at Aspen Grove Assisted Living in Sturgis where she was cared for by a loving staff. Even with her dementia she always said "this is a good place."

Laverne Adelaide (Ellingboe) Peterson passed away on September 2, 2020, at the hospice care unit in Sturgis SD.

Laverne is survived by her four children, Nancy (Stephen) Vaughn, Kathryn (Kenneth) Chapman, Barbara (Gary) Reimer, and Thomas (Christine) Peterson; five grandchildren, Cristina (Hanni) Eid, Lucas (Amber) Peterson, Cody (Katie) Peterson, Ryan (Sarah) Reimer, and Jared (Sarah) Reimer; and eight great-grandchildren, Malik Sinclair, Rylee and Sophia Reimer, Aidan and Olivia Peterson, Brinley and Brody Peterson, and Emmitt Reimer.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her sister and brother in law, Charles and Frances Gastinger; brother, Chester Ellingboe, and her husband Roy.

Interment will be at Black Hills National Cemetery at a later date.

A memorial has been established.

Condolences can be sent to www.kinkadefunerals.com



We thank you for your presence and condolences.





My Mother's Presence

by Kelly Roper

*My mother's presence always warmed our home
 With peace and security and love.
 She was like a gentle breeze that wafted through
 Setting things right, creating a haven for us all.
 Whatever problems we had, Mom solved them.
 Whatever triumphs we had, Mom celebrated them.
 Whatever needs we had, Mom fulfilled them.
 Surely such a mother could never drift afar
 From those she loved with all her heart.
 Though she has left her earthly body behind,
 I feel her presence still.
 Mom remains close to me, she knows my sorrow,
 And she enfolds me in invisible arms I can still feel,
 And she comforts me.*



In Memory Of

Laverne Adelaide Peterson

Date of Birth

May 8, 1923
 Sunburg, Minnesota

Date of Death

September 2, 2020
 Sturgis, South Dakota

Service

Monday, September 7, 2020, at 10:30 a.m.
 Kinkade Funeral Chapel
 Sturgis, South Dakota

Clergy

Pastor Erik Thone

Songs

"What a Wonderful World"
 "Go Rest High on That Mountain"
 "Somewhere Over the Rainbow"

Final Resting Place

At A Later Date
 Black Hills National Cemetery
 Sturgis, South Dakota