

## Marlene Lorraine Popham

Marlene was born September 25, 1932, in Sundance, WY, to Joseph and Myrtle (Hutchins) Frank. Her father died and her mother married Henry Page who raised her like his own. Marlene graduated from Sundance High School.

Marlene married Gerald "Buster" Popham on February 6, 1952, in Newcastle, WY. They lived in Gering, NE, and Sundance, WY. She worked as a secretary at the Crook County School District in Sundance. After retirement, she worked at some odd jobs. She especially enjoyed substituting at the Spearfish school lunchroom.

Marlene and Buster hosted and attended numerous bridge parties. Marlene enjoyed making felt Christmas decorations and many people were blessed with her handiwork. Even with her having diabetes, it didn't stop her love of baking cookies and making apple pies to share with everyone. One of her favorite hobbies was doing jigsaw puzzles. She had assembled hundreds of them and the last two years, she enjoyed doing them on her iPad.

Her greatest pride and joy in her life was her grandchildren, especially the time she spent living with her daughter, son-in-law, and grandson, Kody, on their ranch. She could be found outside picking up tree branches, feeding calves, rescuing Scott on breakdowns, or enjoying the beauty of the ranch. The bond Marlene and Kody had was the greatest and strongest from day one. They spent many hours playing, watching their favorite shows, enjoying the outdoors, and helping with school runs.

Marlene Lorraine Popham, 86, formerly of Sundance, WY, died Monday, February 25, 2019, at Sturgis Regional Senior Care.

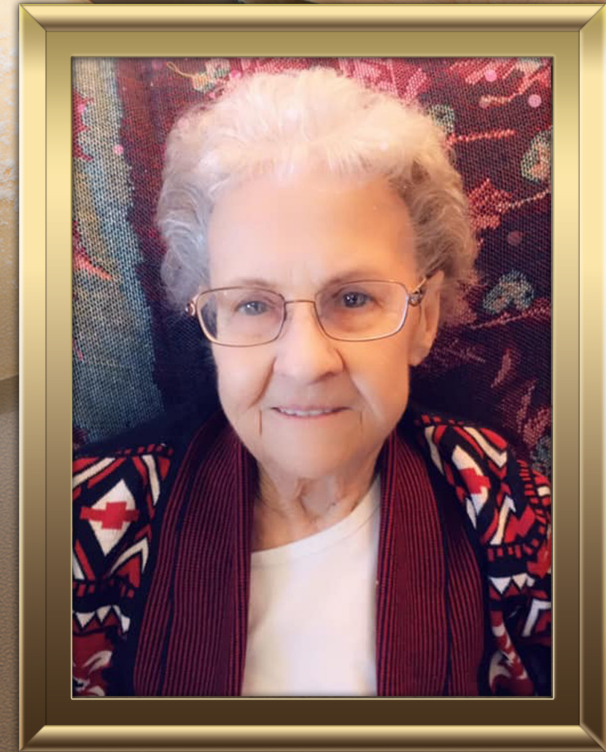
She is survived by her children, Joe (Jill) Popham, Denison, IA, Deb Rathbun, Basin, WY, and Heidi (Scott) Komes, Union Center, SD; grandchildren, Kandi (Chris) Dooley, Greybull, WY, and Kody Komes, Union Center; great-grandchildren, Bree and Cade Dooley; sisters, Josie (Gene) Ewing, Spearfish, SD, Maurine (Albert) Knapp, Gold Hill, OR, and Robyn (Jo) Moug, Deer Park, WA; and close family friends, Randy and Connie Cornella and family, and Joe and Tami Baron and family.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; sisters, Karrol Brown and Judy Aberle; niece, Stacie Metcalf; and son-in-law, Floyd Rathbun.

Memorials have been established to the Rural Meade Ambulance and Enning Fire Department.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.kinkadefunerals.com](http://www.kinkadefunerals.com).

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch in the church basement following the service. We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



*In Loving Memory*

Marlene Lorraine Popham





# Life

is not measured by the number of

*breaths we take,*

but by the moments that

*take our breath away.*



## *In Memory Of*

## ***Marlene Lorraine Popham***

### ***Date of Birth***

September 25, 1932  
Sundance, Wyoming

### ***Date of Death***

February 25, 2019  
Sturgis, South Dakota

### ***Funeral Service***

Monday, March 4, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.  
First Presbyterian Church  
Sturgis, South Dakota

### ***Officiants***

Pastor Harold Delbridge  
Elder Neil Hinek

### ***Musical Selections***

"Amazing Grace"  
"Go Rest High On That Mountain"

### ***List Honorary Pallbearers***

Bob Ewing ~ T.J. Ewing ~ Adam Ladner  
Randy Cornella ~ Jake Cornella ~ Joe Baron

### ***Interment***

Black Hills National Cemetery  
Sturgis, South Dakota