

## *Marion Everett Kruse*

Marion Everett Kruse, 88, Sturgis, died Friday, April 24, 2015, at the VA Black Hills Health Care System at Fort Meade.

Marion was born February 13, 1927, at Dimock, SD, to Helge & Sarah (Bennett) Kruse. The family moved to Batseland, SD, where he and his siblings grew up on the family farm. He spent two years in the army and was honorably discharged in 1952.

He married Joyce Higgs of Porcupine, SD, on December 21, 1955. At that time, he owned a filling station and bulk plant in Batesland, SD. Marion and Joyce bought a wheat farm near Tuthill, SD, and they lived on the farm for a number of years. Marion joined the Soil Conservation Service in Martin, SD, and moved to Sturgis, SD, in 1963. He continued working for the SCS in Sturgis. He was named The South Dakota Outstanding Conservation Technician of the year in 1969. He retired from SCS after 20 years of service. Marion and Joyce then operated a second hand store in Sturgis, KRUSES, for 27 years.

Marion enjoyed going hunting and fishing with his family and friends. He loved playing cards & going bowling.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce Kruse, Sturgis; son, Russell (Ralphine) Kruse, Moline IL; three daughters, Laurie Behrens, Broomfield, CO, Lisa (Scott) Bellew, Rapid City, SD, and Katherine (Byron) Sarchet of Leavenworth, KS; fourteen grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; his brother, Stanley Kruse, Sturgis; and his sister, Odessa Elwood, Gordon, NE. He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers; two sisters; and his son, James Kruse.

A memorial has been established with the proceeds going to Trinity Lutheran Church of Sturgis.

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

## *In Loving Memory*



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*1927 ~ 2015*

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



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## ***Marion Everett Kruse***

***Born***

February 13, 1927  
Dimock, South Dakota

***Died***

April 24, 2015  
Fort Meade, South Dakota

***Funeral Service***

Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.  
Trinity Lutheran Church  
Sturgis, South Dakota

***Officiant***

Pastor Nicholas Haasch

***Accompanist***

Rachelle Schultz

***Music***

“Amazing Grace”      “Rock Of Ages”  
“Jesus Lives, The Victory’s Won”

***Pallbearers***

Tom Termes ~ Scott Bellew ~ Ervin Huber  
Glenn Johnson ~ Russell Kruse ~ Byron Sarchet

***Honorary Pallbearers***

All Grandchildren

***Interment***

Black Hills National Cemetery  
Sturgis, South Dakota

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God,  
Believe also in me. In my Father's house are many  
mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I  
go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and  
prepare a place for you, I will come again, and  
receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye  
may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the  
way ye know.

John 14:1-4