

In Loving Memory Of

Patricia “Pat” Furze

Pat was born in Lead on March 4, 1916, to Herman and Marguerite (Connell) Stromer. She attended grade school at the South Lead School, Mt. Carmel Academy in Sausalito, CA, and St. Patrick’s Grade School in Lead, where she graduated from eighth grade. She studied for her first three years of high school at St. Brigid’s High School in San Francisco, CA, and then returned to Lead High School for her senior year, graduating with the class of 1933. After graduation, she took classes in typing, shorthand, and accounting at Lead High School.

She met Wallace “Wally” Furze at the beginning of her senior year in the fall of 1932, and they were a couple for the next 76 years. They were married at St. Patrick’s Church in Lead on June 6, 1940.

When Wally was drafted into the Army Air Force in World War II, Pat took over his job as the corporation accountant for Black Hills Amusement Company in Lead, which operated nine movie theaters in the Black Hills area. Wally eventually was assigned to a military post in Santa Monica, CA, so Pat joined him there and obtained a civil service job as a secretary to Major R. Kirk Underhill in both business and military correspondence as well as an accountant for the Army Air Force Western Technical Training Command headquarters.

After the war, Pat and Wally returned to Lead, and their son, Barry was born in 1946. Although Pat did not work outside the home after that, she was an active member of St. Patrick’s Church and the Lead Country Club, and she supported Wally in his many professional and community activities.

Patricia “Pat” Furze, 98, Lead, passed away on Sunday, November 16, 2014, at Sturgis Regional Senior Care.

She is survived by her son, Dr. Barry Furze of Sturgis, and numerous cousins.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Wally in 2008, her parents, and maternal grandparents, all of Lead; her paternal grandparents of Nebraska; and by all her aunts and uncles.

A memorial has been established to St. Patrick’s Church in Lead.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.



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



The Twenty-Third Psalm

*The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the
paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of
the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me; Thy rod and
thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence
of mine enemies: thou anointest my head
with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life: and I will
dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

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Born

March 4, 1916
Lead, South Dakota

Died

November 16, 2014
Sturgis, South Dakota

Vigil

Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.
St. Patrick's Catholic Church
Lead, South Dakota

Mass Of Christian Burial

Thursday, November 20, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.
St. Patrick's Catholic Church
Lead, South Dakota

Celebrant ~ Father Peter Kovarik

Concelebrant ~ Father Timothy Castor

Organist ~ Dr. Barry Furze

Soloist ~ Mary Ann Rasmussen

Special Musical Selections

“Holy, Holy, Holy” ~ “Ave Maria”
“Panis Angelicus” ~ “Holy God, We Praise Thy Name”

Pallbearers

Chuck Tesch ~ Bob Morcom ~ Paul Vande Velde
Terry Weisenberg ~ Ken Bauman ~ Jim Phillips

Interment

Holy Cross Cemetery
Lead, South Dakota