

Beatrice Mae Wilson

Beatrice “Bea” Wilson, 87, Sturgis, SD passed away Saturday, June 21, 2025 at Monument Health Sturgis Hospital.

Beatrice Mae Wilson was born October 23, 1937 to Edward O. and Mabel E. (Winterberg) Gunderson at Timber Lake, SD. She was raised in the Timber Lake area, where she attended school. She then married Ernest Wade Wilson in Timber Lake on June 25, 1955. Together they raised three children, Colleen May, Wade Alan and Carol Jayne. They lived in Rapid City, Custer, Mobridge and Belle Fourche over the several years, before returning to ranching around the Bison area. They moved to Sturgis in 1989 where she worked for H & R Block and Kruse’s.

Bea never met a stranger; if she did, she showed them how to make cookies or bread!

Bea was preceded in death by her husband, Ernest; parents, Edward and Mabel Gunderson; brothers, Eddy Martin and Roland “Rocky” Gunderson; sister, Doris Smith.

Survivors include her children, Colleen McKinstry, Wade Wilson and Carol (Jim) Charles; 8 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren, 5 great great grandchildren, and 10 siblings. She is also survived by her friend Carrie who was like her third daughter – family meant everything to Bea.

Condolences may be left for the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.




*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and refreshments
at 2356 Palisades Loop, Sturgis, after the burial.
Thank you for your presence and condolences.*

In Loving Memory



Beatrice “Bea” Mae Wilson

October 23, 1937 ~ June 21, 2025



*For God so loved
the world,
that he gave
his only begotten Son,
that whosoever
believeth in him
should not perish,
but have everlasting life.*

John 3:16

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Born

October 23, 1937
Timber Lake, South Dakota

Died

June 21, 2025
Sturgis, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Wednesday, July 2, 2025, 11:00 a.m.
Kinkade Funeral Chapel
Sturgis, South Dakota

Officiant

Pastor Tom Martin

Soloist

Layne Gunderson

Musical Selections

“Go Rest High”
“Angel Flying To Close To The Ground”

Pallbearers

Heath McKinstry Cory McKinstry Cole McKinstry
Isaac McKinstry Jeff Wilson Devin Ward

Honorary Pallbearers

John Kari

Final Resting Place

Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota