

Lila was born on September 9, 1936, to Harold and Luretta Richardson at Houghton, South Dakota. She passed away at the age of 86, at her home in Sturgis, SD, on February 17, 2023.

Lila Pearl Richardson was raised on a farm in Columbia, SD. She was the third of nine children and helped on the farm by watching her brothers and sisters while her dad and mom taught school.

Lila graduated from Columbia High School in 1954 and moved to Rapid City, SD, where she attended Green's Beauty School, graduating in 1956. While attending school she met Eugene Rottenbucher, and they were married on February 4, 1956.

She was employed at Bea's Beauty Shop in Sturgis, as well as being a homemaker and mother to seven children; Donna Baier, Jake (Murl) Rottenbucher, Debbie (Mark) Klabenes, Dixie Barnett, Sandy (Blaise) Frost, Jan (Sami) Rottenbucher, and Lu Ann (Marvin) Kellsy. Her children blessed her with 18 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Lila was a lifetime member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary, where she chose to spend much of her time helping others. She volunteered at the Fort Meade clothing store, the Senior Citizen Center Thrift Store, and was also available to help with funeral lunches.

She was active in her children's and grandchildren's events - ranging from musical to sporting events. She was a chauffeur and cheerleader, and loved to watch them play.

In her later years she enjoyed quilting and playing Bingo, and you could see her out walking the dogs around the neighborhood.

Lila was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; brothers, Jim and David; sisters, Minerva and Donna; grandson, Greg; and son-in-law, Wayne.

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

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and a luncheon  
at the Sturgis VFW, following the burial.  
Thank you for your presence and condolences.*

# *Lila Pearl Rottenbucher*

*September 9, 1936 ~ February 17, 2023*



*A Mother holds  
her children's hands for a while. . . .  
Their hearts forever.*



## *In Loving Memory Of* ***Lila Pearl Rottenbucher***

### ***Born***

September 9, 1936  
Houghton, South Dakota

### ***Died***

February 17, 2023  
Sturgis, South Dakota

### ***Funeral Service***

Thursday, February 23, 2023, 10:00 a.m.  
Kinkade Funeral Chapel  
Sturgis, South Dakota

### ***Officiant***

Pastor Harold Delbridge

### ***Musician***

Blaise Frost

### ***Musical Selections***

"Amazing Grace" "Dancing in the Sky"  
"You are My Sunshine"

### ***Pallbearers***

C.J. Smith Jeff Baier Tanner Ross  
Cameron Strand Dylan Kellsy Dakota Remington

### ***Honorary Pallbearers***

Daniel Klabenes Jakob Rottenbucher Casey Woods  
Desmond (Desi) Frost Gavin (Conor) Frost

### ***Final Resting Place***

Black Hills National Cemetery  
Sturgis, South Dakota

### ***A Wife, a Mother, A Grandma too***

A wife, a mother, a grandma too,  
This is the legacy we have from you.

You taught us love and how to fight,  
You gave us strength; you gave us might.

A stronger person would be hard to find,  
And in your heart, you were always kind.

You fought for us all in one way or another,  
Not just a wife, not just a mother.

For all of us you gave your best,  
Now the time has come for you to rest.

So go in peace, you've earned your sleep,  
Your love in our hearts, we'll eternally keep.

