



## Violet M. Erk

Violet was born in Sundance, WY, April 3, 1933, to George and Maita (Anderson) Christiansen. Her father passed away when she was 6 and her mother married Rapheal Larive. Violet married Joseph Erk, on June 2, 1954, in St. Onge, SD. They farmed and ranched near Newell. She was a

member of the St. Mary's Star of the Sea Altar Society and loved to spend time gardening, cooking, helping with lambs and pheasants, talking with people, and especially time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Violet M. Erk, 85, Newell, died Saturday, October 20, 2018, at the Rapid City Regional Hospital Hospice House.

Violet is survived by her daughter, Teresa (Noel) Chicoine, Pierre; three sons, Henry (Dawn) Erk, Rapid City, Tim (Deb) Erk, Rapid City, and Bill Erk, Newell; two brothers, Albert (Janet) Larive, Buckeye, AZ, and George Larive, Riverton, WY; sister, Alberta Nelson, Newell, SD; grandchildren, Michelle (Joe) Bucholz, Black Hawk, April (Jeff) Smith, Pierre, Nathan (Catherine) Chicoine, Johnson Siding, Brian Chicoine (fiancée Nikki), Minneapolis, MN, Shaun (Courtney) Erk, Black Hawk, and Kayla (Shawn) Hall, Salem, OR; and great-grandchildren, Taya and Jolene Bucholz, Aspen Hall, and Olivia Erk.



She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Joseph; infant son, Thomas; brother, Nels Larive; and sister, Lillian Deroiser.

In lieu of cut flowers, plant a tree or plant in her memory. Memorials have been established to the St. Mary's Church and the Newell Ambulance service.

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



*The family would like to invite you to join them for fellowship and lunch in the church basement following committal. We thank you for your presence and condolences.*

## *In Loving Memory Of*



***Violet M. Erk***

***1933 ~ 2018***



### **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.



### ***In Loving Memory Of***

## ***Violet M. Erk***

#### ***Born***

April 3, 1933  
Sundance, Wyoming

#### ***Died***

October 20, 2018  
Rapid City, South Dakota

#### ***Vigil***

Wednesday, October 24, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.  
Kinkade Funeral Chapel  
Sturgis, South Dakota

#### ***Celebrant***

Father Timothy Castor

#### ***Mass of Christian Burial***

Thursday, October 25, 2018, at 10:00 a.m.  
St. Mary's Star of the Sea Catholic Church  
Newell, South Dakota

#### ***Accompanist***

Dr. Barry Furze

#### ***Cantor***

Myron Volk

#### ***Musical Selections***

"Amazing Grace" "I Am the Bread of Life"  
"Gift of Finest Wheat" "These Alone Are Enough"  
"We Walk by Faith"

#### ***Pallbearers***

Gary Nelson ~ Charles Tennis ~ Wolfgang Manwell  
Joe Bucholz ~ Jeff Smith ~ Markus Erk

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

All Nieces, Nephews, and Grandchildren  
and anyone blessed with her smile or the twinkle in her eye

#### ***Interment***

Hope Cemetery  
Newell, South Dakota