



## Mary Ann Hackert

Mary Ann was born August 12, 1928 to Harrison & Laura (Hollmer) Sturges in Sioux City, IA.

Mary Ann Hackert, 88, of Lincoln, NE, passed away on March 17, 2017.

She is survived by her daughters, Elizabeth (Betsy) Howe, Ann Hackert (Hal Hellwig); siblings, Bill Sturges, Sally Sturges and Virginia Asbury. She will be missed by her nine grandchildren, Ben & David Hellwig, Lara Wooley, Alan Gertonson, Rob Howe, Berni Kappel, Karoline Neill, Amanda (Gerty) Wyatt, Peter Gertonson and twenty-one great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Ralph; sisters, Millie Pistuka, Suzie Sturges and brother, Tom Sturges.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the Mary Ann Hackert Memorial Funds to be divided among four charities she selected.

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 hall following committal at Black Hills National Cemetery. We thank you for your presence and condolences.*

## *In Loving Memory Of*



***Mary Ann Hackert***

***1928 ~ 2017***

Grief is something we share, but its journey is different for everyone. At times grief can be fleeting or a more constant companion. Comfort is not always the goal. Pull the band aid off in hopes the grief is gone. Or wrap your arms around it and embrace it. Grief can be a surprising companion that shows up when we least expect it. Grief is not linear.

Go from A to Z and a scent, memory, melody or glimpse of something finds us back at A, shaken even more so because we aren't over it. Sorrow sings its song these days. But to know grief is to have known love and understanding. For me grief and gratitude go hand in hand. I am grateful to the powerful gift of knowing you that brings me feelings in your absence.

And I am grateful for the grief that bonds me to others. Those I know. Those I don't know. We share grief. And we share the redemption of its messy, individualized, complicated and nonlinear path.

Ann Hackert

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***Mary Ann Hackert***

***Born***

August 12, 1928  
Sioux City, Iowa

***Died***

March 17, 2017  
Lincoln, Nebraska

***Vigil***

Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.  
Kinkade Funeral Chapel  
Sturgis, South Dakota

***Memorial Mass***

Friday, May 26, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.  
St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church  
Sturgis, South Dakota

***Celebrant***

Father Timothy Castor

***Organist***

Dr. Barry Furze

***Cantor***

Myron Volk

***Musical Selections***

“Soon and Very Soon” “Here I Am, Lord”  
“One Bread, One Body” “For All the Saints”

***Inurnment***

Black Hills National Cemetery  
Sturgis, South Dakota