Alma Carthel Smith, 66, of Sturgis, South Dakota, passed away peacefully at her home, following a short illness, on April 13, 2023, surrounded by family and friends.

Alma was born on February 17, 1957, in Butte, Montana to Harold "Bud" and Joanne (Kuykendall) Eatherton. At the time she joined siblings, Linda and Glenda and, later on, Bobby, Billy, Pat, Alta, Tina, Galen, and CJ (Junior) came along. The growing family moved from Montana to St. Onge, SD.

Alma met and married Pat Yauney in New Castle, WY. To this union two wonderful daughters were born, Kristina and Kandice. Working for the railroad the two moved a few times and eventually moved to Miles City, MT. While in Miles City Alma and Pat divorced. Alma married Jerry Smith in June 1990. Jerry and his two sons, Tim and Ryan, joined Alma and the girls to make a wonderful family for 33 years.

Alma worked at the Hole-in-the-Wall for Butch and Gloria Grenz, and at Shores in Miles City, for several years until she purchased the Frame Gallery from Linda Adams. Alma created hundreds of beautiful framed pictures over the years and made friends with many of her customers.

Then the grandchildren started arriving; Kelci, Lexi, Carly, Ali, Kadrie, Jacob, Parker, Landen, and on her birthday this year her first great grandchild was born, Sawyer. Alma sold the Frame Shop and became a full-time Grandma! Being a Grandma was Alma's life calling; she loved each and every grandchild with all her heart.

Alma is preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Pat, Bobby, Billy, and Galen; and nephew. Cody.

She is survived by her husband, Jerry; children, Kristina Yauney, Mandan, ND, Kandice (Steve) Ruud, Seattle, WA, Tim Smith, Gilbert, AZ, Ryan (Kari) Smith, Billings, MT, her grandchildren, and great grandchild; sisters, Linda (Terry) Bruce, Gillette, WY, Glenda (Clarence) Hedgecoth, Pikeville, TN, Tina Humble, Gillette, WY, Alta (Jim) Bainer, New Castle, WY, and CJ Humble, New Castle, WY.

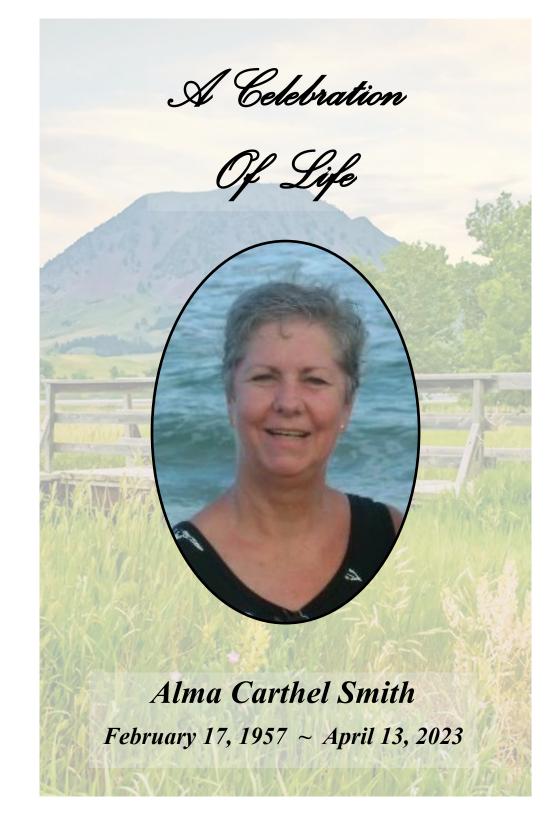
Alma's warmth and kindness reached so many; her love for family and friends was unmatched. She had the best sense of humor and truly cared about everyone individually. She was the best wife, sister, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and friend you could ever want.

She will be greatly missed by all, but her love will carry on in those that knew her.

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

The family invites you to join them for refreshments and fellowship at the Sturgis VFW, 868 Main St., following the committal.

Thank you for your presence and condolences.





When I come to the end of the road

And the sun has set for me,

I want no rites in a gloom-filled room

Why cry for a soul set free.

Miss me a little - but not for long
And not with your head bowed low
Remember the Love that we once shared
Miss Me - But let Me Go.





For this is a journey we all must take
And each must go alone
It's all a part of the Master's plan
And a step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick of heart

Go to the friends we know

And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds

Miss Me - But Let Me Go

In Loving Memory Of

Alma Carthel Smith

Born February 17, 1957 Butte, Montana

Died
April 13, 2023
Sturgis, South Dakota

Memorial Service
Tuesday, April 18, 2023, 1:00 p.m.
Kinkade Funeral Chapel
Sturgis, South Dakota

Officiant
Pastor Pat Hedges

Musical Selections

"Great Speckled Bird" "Bridge Over Troubled Water"

"Go Rest High On That Mountain"

Honorary Pallbearers

Dakota Kottsick Ashlyn Dillie Kyra Hirsch All Her Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren

Final Resting Place
Oak Ridge Cemetery
Deadwood, South Dakota