

Joyce Kay Sneesby

Joyce Kay Sneesby was born at home to Stephen and Irene (Bushman) Sneesby near Carthage, SD, on August 18, 1945. The family moved to Lead where Joyce graduated from Lead High School. She went to work for Western Drug in Lead where she was a cook. She moved to Denver where she was employed as a cook for the Greek Village restaurant for 10 years. She heard they were hiring "girl" miners so she returned to Lead and worked underground for Homestake.

Joyce moved to Oklahoma for a short time and returned to the Black Hills where she took care of her parents.

Joyce was a compulsive collector of memorabilia. She was known around the Deadwood area as the "James Dean Lady".

Joyce, 65, Sturgis, died Thursday, July 21, 2011, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include her mother, Irene Sneesby, Sturgis; one brother, Doug Sneesby, Deadwood; four sisters, Sheila Hughes, Spearfish, Edna (Terry) Allerdings, Lead, Lenora (Les) Rieger, Eugene, OR, and Beverly (Howard) Fisher, Rapid City; also numerous nieces, nephews, and very special neighbors.

She was preceded in death by her father and sister-in-law, Shirley.

A memorial has been established for the benefit of children.

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

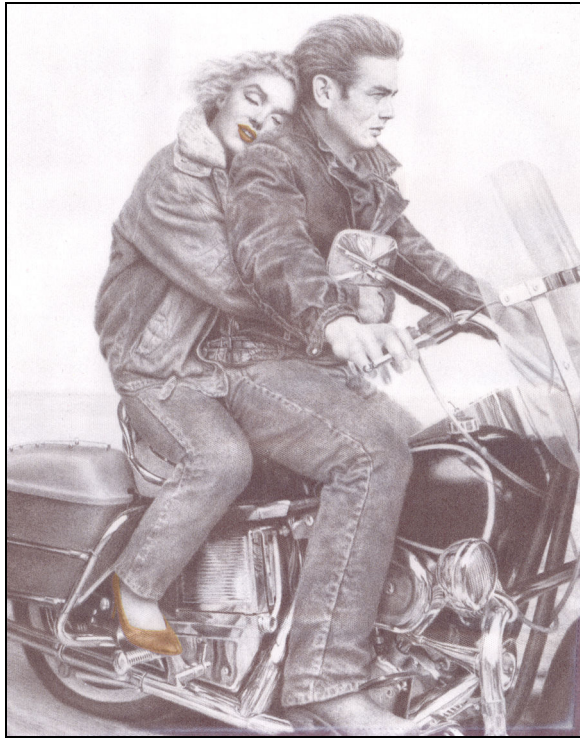
In Loving Memory Of



Joyce Sneesby

1945 ~ 2011

*The family invites everyone to a time of fellowship and lunch
at the Sneesby residence, 930 9th Street in Sturgis,
following the interment service.
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



"WHEN I MUST LEAVE YOU"

*When I must leave you for a little while,
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears
And hug your sorrow to you through the years,
But start out bravely with a gallant smile;
And for my sake and in my name
Live on and do all things the same,
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,
But fill each waking hour in useful ways,
Reach out your hand in comfort and cheer
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near;
And never, never be afraid to die,
For I am waiting for you in the sky!*

Helen Steiner Rice

In Loving Memory Of

Joyce Kay Sneesby

Born

August 18, 1945
Carthage, South Dakota

Died

July 21, 2011
Rapid City, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Monday, July 25, 2011, at 10:30 a.m.
Kinkade Funeral Chapel

Officiating

Rev. Michael Fox

Special Music

"The Old Rugged Cross"
"In The Garden"

Pallbearers

Ron Sneesby ~ Mike Sneesby ~ Ryan Hughes
Marvin Sneesby ~ Robert Steeves ~ Randy Fisher

Honorary Pallbearers

Terry Allerdings ~ Larry Hughes
Howard Fisher ~ Les Rieger

Interment

Oak Ridge Cemetery
Deadwood, South Dakota