

## **Mildred Elaine "Millie" VanSickle**

Millie was born September 15, 1927, in Sturgis to John and Alma (Hansen) Ellefson. She grew up and attended school in the Marcus and Faith area, graduating from Faith High School in 1945. Millie attended Black Hills Teachers College and received her teaching certificate.

She married Roy VanSickle in Broadus, MT, on June 28, 1946. Millie taught in several different rural schools in Meade County. She became a stay at home mother after having the first of her seven children. When her younger children became school age, she returned to the classroom as a teacher's aide in Newell and continued to do this for well over 20 years. After retirement, she worked as a substitute teacher and remained active in the church circle at Newell Christian Fellowship, a coffee club, and several card clubs. Millie also enjoyed being a 4-H leader and working with the extension club. She was a very talented seamstress and made quilts for all of her grandkids.

Mildred Elaine "Millie" VanSickle, 84, of Newell died Wednesday, May 30, 2012, in the Lippold Hospice Suite at Sturgis Regional Hospital.

Millie is survived by her husband of 65 years, Roy; four sons, Jim (Mary) VanSickle of Long Pine, NE, Bob (Rose) VanSickle of Newell, Dan (Cheryl) VanSickle of Spearfish, and Larry VanSickle of Sturgis; three daughters, Kerry Cessna of Altamont, IL, Vicki (Mike) Wolff of Newell, and Kris (Donnie Peck) Stiles of Hot Springs; 21 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by both parents; brothers, Eric, Bill, and Victor Ellefson; and one sister, Corinne Schmidt.

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

## *In Loving Memory Of*



*Millie VanSickle*

*1927 ~ 2012*

*The family invites everyone to a time of fellowship and refreshments  
in the multi-purpose room at the school immediately following the memorial service.  
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



### *After Glow*

*I'd like the memory of me  
to be a happy one.  
I'd like to leave an after glow  
of smiles when life is done.  
I'd like to leave an echo  
whispering softly down the ways,  
Of happy times and laughing times  
and bright and sunny days.  
I'd like the tears of those who  
grieve, to dry before the sun  
Of happy memories that I leave  
When life is done.*



### *My Mother*

*She carried me  
under her heart;  
Loved me before I was born;  
Took God's hand in hers  
and walked through  
the Valley of Shadows  
that I might live;*

*Prayed for me  
through all the days,  
when flooded with sunshine  
or saddened by shadows;  
Though we lay down  
our lives for her  
we can never pay the debt  
we owe to a mother.*

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#### *Born*

September 15, 1927  
Sturgis, South Dakota

#### *Died*

May 30, 2012  
Sturgis, South Dakota

#### *Memorial Service*

Saturday, July 28, 2012, at 9:00 a.m.  
Austin Auditorium  
Newell, South Dakota

#### *Officiating*

Pastor Sean Carney

#### *Special Music*

Jani Carney      Sean Carney

"Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone"  
"I'll Get Carried Away"

Kerry Cessna      Kristi Stiles

"It Is Well"

#### *Honorary Pallbearers*

All Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren