

Lois E. (Huddleston) Skvicalo was born in Wasta, SD, to Lee and Mayme (Miner) Huddleston on March 26, 1933. She was raised in Piedmont and Sturgis, SD. After graduation from Sturgis High School in 1951, Lois went on to marry her husband, Blas Skvicalo of Lead, on November 23, 1953. Not long after their marriage, Blas joined the United States Army, which brought their new family to Fort Bliss, TX, for three years before returning to Lead in 1957.

Following their return to Lead, Lois worked alongside Blas as a bookkeeper for Brown Swiss Dairy, Co. In her later years, Lois assumed the roles of bus driver and head custodian for Lead High School, growing very fond of all of the students who passed through over the years. She spent her retirement split between taking care of her grandchildren in Minnesota, and her and Blas's family ranch 10 miles south of Lead. Her time was most often spent touting her grandchildren around town and mentoring them towards success in life. Lois dedicated her life to sharing her heart of gold, providing relentless and unconditional love and care to her family and friends.

Lois E. Skvicalo, 87, died Thursday, June 18, 2020, following a courageous battle against Alzheimer's disease. Her profound loss will be felt deeply by all of those who knew her; her inviting smile and warm touch serve as everlasting memories of Lois.

Lois is survived by her brother, Bill (Darlene) Huddleston of Buffalo, WY; her sons, John (Cathy) Skvicalo of Lead, George Skvicalo of Savage, MN, and Mark (Tami) Skvicalo of Lead; her daughter, Mary McNeary of Minneapolis, MN; six grandsons; two granddaughters; and four great-grandchildren.

Lois was preceded in death by her husband, Blas; her father, Lee; her mother, Mayme; brothers, Bud and Red Huddleston; sisters, Myrtle Malen, Betty Dubry, and Leona Casteel; brother-in-law, Pete Skvicalo; sister-in-law, Nickie Johnson; and son-in-law, John McNeary.

Two memorials have been established in Lois's name to the St. Patrick's Catholic Church and to the Lead-Deadwood Booster Club.

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

"I am the resurrection and the life.

He who believes in Me,
though he may die, he shall live.

And whoever believes in me shall never die."

John 11:25-26



In Loving Memory

Lois Eileen Skvicalo

March 26, 1933 ~ June 18, 2020





In Memory Of **Lois E. Skvicalo**

Date of Birth

March 26, 1933
Wasta, South Dakota

Date of Death

June 18, 2020
Spearfish, South Dakota

Vigil

Monday, June 22, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.
St. Patrick's Catholic Church
Lead, South Dakota

Mass of Christian Burial

Tuesday, June 23, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.
St. Patrick's Catholic Church
Lead, South Dakota

Officiating

Father Zane Pekron

Musicians

Phylis Reller
Lyla Gross

Songs

"On Eagle's Wings" "Be Not Afraid" "Only A Shadow"
"Song of Farewell" "You Are Mine"

Pallbearers

John Skvicalo George Skvicalo
Mark Skvicalo Mary McNeary

Final Resting Place

Holy Cross Cemetery
Lead, South Dakota

Always There

When you remember me, please do not weep
My body may not be there, it has chosen to sleep
I'm not that far away, my soul lives on
Looking down, watching over you and everyone
And when you feel sad, and life seems so blue
Just remember that my spirit has its arms around you
And on those special days, times that you wish I could see
That cool breeze flowing past you . . . well, that will be me
So don't be sad, have no fear
God has taken me under his wing, but I'll always be near
I still watch you every minute, every day
My love and soul are with you and that's where they will stay.