

June B. (McHatton) Spencer was born June 2, 1934, to Earl and Catherine M. (Carigg) McHatton in Hamilton, MT. She was the 5th of 8 children. September 10, 1949, June married Clifton Kearney and became a stepmom to Edward Kearney who was 2 years old. Clifton and June had 4 children together. They later divorced.

June was never a person who shied away from hard work. She worked at Meadow Land Dairy with her sister and spent many years working at a Bakery in Missoula, MT. When she moved to South Dakota, she purchased the Vale Country Store. While working there, she also drove school bus for the Newell School system and worked at Gunner's Lounge in Sturgis, SD. June 27, 1982, she married Malden William "Bill" Spencer. June and Bill purchased the Vale Bar and worked side by side for 14 years. June will always be remembered for her ability to remember and tell a joke. She never lost her sense of humor. She was a wonderful cook with a canny ability to sometimes make something out of nothing.

June, 85, passed away on Wednesday, August 28, 2019, at her home in Sturgis.

June is survived by her daughter, Sherry (Kurt) Hocking; son-in-law, Nick Meyer; two brothers, Dale McHatton and David (Bonnie) McHatton; grandkids, Amy (Mike) Duke, Jamie Kearney and significant other, Toby Beavis, Kandi Jensen and fiancé, Lonny Dockendorf, Kristilynn (Justin) Jonason, Mickey Kearney and fiancée, Jenna Stapleton, Melissa Oppelt, Samuel Kearney, Jody (Craig) Kirk, and Rex (Morgan) Wulf; two step-grandchildren, CJ (Keisha) Hocking and Brandy Sims; and 20 great-grandchildren.

June is preceded in death by her parents; four children, Edward Kearney, Ginger Meyer, Mickey Kearney, and Jerry Kearney; siblings, Eugene McHatton, Annabel Erhart, Gladys Kearney, John Earl (Eddie) McHatton, and Alice Hansberry; grandson, Jason Meyer; and great-grandsons, Liam Meyer and Dylan Case.

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

The Butterfly's Message

Be still and let grief unfold you.

This dark chrysalis is the birthplace of change.

Just as the caterpillar emerges from his cocoon transformed,

You will emerge from your grief transformed,

Graced with wings that will lift you to hope and wholeness.

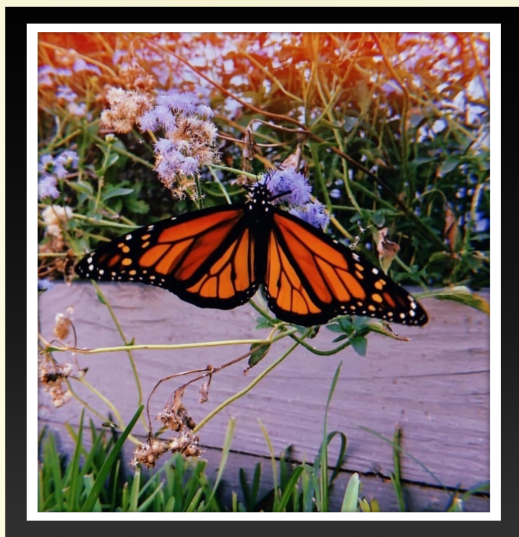
Sandra King



In Loving Memory

June B. Spencer

June 2, 1934 ~ August 28, 2019



*May the wings of the butterfly kiss the sun
And find your shoulder to light on
To bring you luck, happiness and riches
Today, tomorrow and beyond.
~ Irish Blessing ~*



Broken Chain

*We knew that morning that God was going to call your name.
In life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same.*

*It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone;
For part of us went with you the day God called you Home.*

*You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our guide;
And though we cannot see you, you are always at our side.*

*Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same;
But as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.*

In Memory Of June B. Spencer

Date of Birth

June 2, 1934
Hamilton, Montana

Date of Death

August 28, 2019
Sturgis, South Dakota

Celebration of Life

2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Friday, September 27, 2019
Vale Community Center
Vale, South Dakota

Blessing

Pastor Tom Martin

Musicians

Macey Oppelt and Kurt Hocking

Special Music

"Dancing in the Sky"
"Long Black Train"

Honorary Pallbearers

All June's Grandsons

Balloon Release

Friday, September 27, 2019, at 3:30 p.m.

June's Final Resting Places

With Her Son In Vale Cemetery - Vale, South Dakota
Flathead Lake in Montana
The Cliffs of Moher in County Clare, Ireland