

Helen Bernice Kirsch

Helen Bernice (Hansen) Kirsch passed away on December 19, 2020, at Sturgis Monument Health Hospital surrounded by her loving family.

Helen was born on April 24, 1932, to Chancey and Alice (Adkins) Hansen on the family farm in Carter, SD. She grew up with six sisters and three brothers. Helen attended rural school in Carter and graduated from Witten High School. She was married to Gordon Kirsch for 35 years, to this union eight children were born. Helen's family was her pride and joy. Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren were the light of her life and she enjoyed every moment with them.

Helen made her home in Sturgis the last 50 years after traveling and moving throughout the United States. Helen worked at Sparrows Bakery for many years. She delighted all of her customers with her warm smile and caring personality.

Helen cherished company at her home. She always had a cup of coffee ready for any family or friends that stopped by. Many shared conversation and laughter at her kitchen table. She loved late nights playing Yahtzee and Wahoo. On Sundays you would find her watching her beloved Kansas City Chiefs. She spent her past time visiting on the phone, listening to her scanner and staying in touch with Facebook. She never forgot a birthday. Her birthday calls and cards will forever be missed.

Helen was baptized in the Methodist Church and was a member of the VFW Auxiliary.

Thankful for sharing her life are her children, Leslie (Al) of Sturgis; Bill (Brenda) of Pringle; and Kevin of Custer; son-in-law, Gary Budish of Park River, ND; her grandchildren, Derrick Budish, Trevor (Rachel) Papenfuss, Justin (Misty) Papenfuss, Lindsey (Brent) Taylor, Jamie Kirsch, Ryan (Sara) Kirsch, Travis (Alona) Kirsch, Kacey Kirsch, Christian (Kirsten) Kirsch, and Katelyn Kirsch; great-grandchildren, Casey, Seth, Brook, and Morgan Papenfuss, Kyle, Dane, and Reed Papenfuss, Jozlyne, Payton, and Madilyne Taylor, Kierra, Jet, and Dominic Kirsch, Cyler Kirsch, Nellie Kirsch, Chevelle, Lucas Hudson and Baaye Kirsch; sisters, Ardith Francescoto, Golden CO, Adeline Vavra, Winner, SD, Gladys Elder, Carter, SD, and Margaret (John) Leetch of Rapid City, SD; and sisters-in-law, Virginia Hansen, Casper, WY, and Karen Hansen, Winner, SD; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded by her parents; her infant son; her twin daughters at birth, Margret Ann, and Mary Ann; daughter, Shelly Budish; and son, Lionel (Doc) Kirsch; granddaughter, Shannon Kirsch; her siblings, Leonard Hansen, Audrey Clubb, Zina "Zike" Hansen, Lewis Hansen, and Mary Lou Bernard.

As so eloquently said by her great-granddaughter, Helen was the most selfless person in the world that gave her life to her family.

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

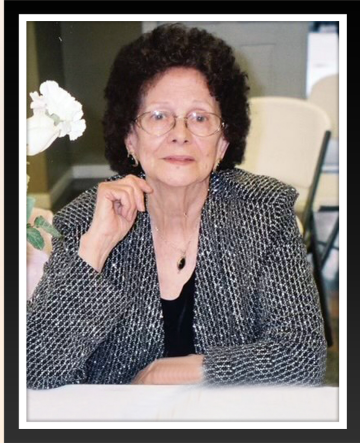
The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch at the Vet's Club in Sturgis following the committal service. We thank you for your presence and condolences.



In Loving Memory

Helen Bernice Kirsch

April 24, 1932 ~ December 19, 2020



In Memory Of
Helen Bernice Kirsch

Date of Birth

April 24, 1932
Carter, South Dakota

Date of Death

December 19, 2020
Sturgis, South Dakota

Memorial Service

Tuesday, December 29, 2020, at 11:00 a.m.
Kinkade Funeral Chapel
Sturgis, South Dakota

Clergy

Pastor David Baer

Songs

"Love, Me" "Walk Of Life"
"The Old Rugged Cross" "I'll Fly Away"

Honorary Pallbearers

Brent Taylor Misty Papenfuss Rachel Papenfuss

Inurnment

Piedmont Cemetery
Piedmont, South Dakota

God Made Us A Family

We Need One Another ~ We Love One Another

We Forgive One Another ~ We Work Together

We Play Together ~ We Worship Together

Together We Use God's Words ~ Together We Love All Men

Together We serve Our God ~ Together We Hope For Heaven

