Erdine Adell Couch passed away on Sunday, January 29, 2023 at the Michael J. Fitzmaurice State Veterans Home, Hot Springs, SD, at the age of 97. She was born Erdine Adell Kintigh in Miller, SD, on March 15, 1925 to Warren S. and Mae E. Kintigh.

When she was two years old her family moved to Wyoming, eventually settling on a farm near Keeline, WY. She attended grade school in Keeline and graduated from Manville High School in 1943 with a full scholarship to the University of Wyoming. Instead of taking the scholarship she chose to work as part of the war effort, thus beginning her life long career in the business world. In later years she worked at the Buffalo Gap Bank and then retired at Production Credit Association as Office Manager. Erdine thought of all her coworkers as extended family.

On February 24, 1946, Erdine married the love of her life, Floyd R. Couch. Their commitment to each other never wavered. Floyd's love for Erdine was frequently shared with everyone. In a newspaper interview while attending one of his WW II Company D, First Battalion, 63<sup>rd</sup> Regiment, 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Army reunions he was quoted as saying, "Still not a day goes by that you don't think about it. I do volunteer work in Veterans Hospitals. I see a lot of mental situations. If I hadn't married a good woman, I might have ended up like that. I'd wake in the middle of the night, soaked in sweat, fightin' that war over and over again. It takes a woman with a lot of love and patience to see you through that."

Erdine is survived by son, Ken (Vivian) Couch; grandson, Kevin (Kristi) Couch and great grandchildren, Madison, Olivia, and Knox; daughter, Ronda (Randy) Moore and grandchildren, Brodie and Cassandra Moore; daughter, Lisa (Rodger) Woeppel and granddaughter, Katie (Josh) Baker; great grandchildren, Adalyn and Ashton; granddaughter, Gabriella Taylor and great grandchildren Margot and Meredith; granddaughter, Natasha Woeppel.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Floyd; her parents, two sisters, two brothers, and two nephews.

A special thank you to all the staff at the Michael J. Fitzmaurice State Veterans Home that cared for Erdine for the last five years.

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

The family invites you to join them at 5:00 p.m., for fellowship and a light meal at the church.

Thank you for your presence and condolences.

## In Loving Memory Of



Erdine Adell Couch

March 15, 1925 ~ January 29, 2023



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**Born**March 15, 1925
Miller, South Dakota

**Died**January 29, 2023
Hot Springs, South Dakota

Graveside Service
Officiant: David Steele
Friday, February 3, 2023
Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota

Memorial Service
Officiant: Kori Lehrkamp
Friday, February 3, 2023
Prairie View United Methodist Church
Smithwick, South Dakota

Final Resting Place
Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota