



## **Evelyn Ruth Lushbough**

**She lived, she loved, she laughed,  
she cried, she died**

Known to both family and friends as "Grandma Bough", she was born Dec. 23, 1917 in a sod house near Faith, S.D., to Mabel Alice Thoreson Cooper and Clarence William Cooper. She grew up in Meade and Butte County and attended elementary school in Nisland and Piedmont. The family moved to Hill City, S.D., where she graduated from high school in 1935.

Evelyn married Wesley Lushbough June 5, 1937, at the Presbyterian Church in Sturgis, S.D. The couple lived in Rapid City and Newell and in 1952 moved to Spearfish, South Dakota, as a stay-at-home mom, she raised a son and twin daughters. The Lushbough's moved to Belle Fourche after Wesley's retirement in 1969, then to a rural home near St. Onge in 1972 and finally to Sturgis in 1998.

Evelyn was a member of Modern Woodmen of America for 69 years.

During her life, Evelyn managed food service businesses in Rapid City, operated the family shoe repair business in Newell until the end of WWII and cooked at Lookout Memorial Hospital in Spearfish. She also assisted remodeling several of the family's homes.

While in St. Onge, Evelyn enjoyed country living but her joy was occasionally taking care of infant and pre-school children of friends in the community.

Evelyn's smile and generous spirit will be missed by all who knew her and were privileged to call her mom, grandma, "Grandma Bough", great-grandma, aunt or friend.

Evelyn was preceded in death by her husband, son, great-grandson, and son-in-law. As the seventh of ten children, she was the sole surviving member of the Cooper family.

Evelyn Ruth (Cooper) Lushbough, 94, died peacefully in her sleep Dec. 26, 2011 at Sturgis Regional Senior Care, Sturgis, S.D.

She is survived by her twin daughters, Lavina Goddard, Sturgis, and Lavera Moum (Ken), Topeka, Kan.; grandchildren, Todd Goddard (Janelle), Prairie City; Tammy Derschan, Sioux Falls; John Lushbough (Liza), Rapid City; James Lushough (Katie), Rapid City; Susan Serhienko (Colin), Bottineau, N.D.; 10 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

A memorial has been established to the American Heart Association.

To leave the family a special message online, visit: [www.kinkadeefunerals.com](http://www.kinkadeefunerals.com).

*In Loving Memory Of*



*Evelyn Ruth Lushbough*

*1917 ~ 2011*



***SHE'S GONE***

*You can shed tears that she is gone  
or you can smile because she has lived.*

*You can close your eyes and pray that she'll come back  
or you can open your eyes and see all she's left.*

*Your heart can be empty because you can't see her  
or you can be full of the love you shared.*

*You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday  
or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.*

*You can remember her and only that she's gone  
or you can cherish her memory and let it live on.*

*You can cry and close your mind,  
be empty and turn your back  
or you can do what she'd want:  
smile, open your eyes, love and go on.*

**1981**

**David Harkins  
Silloth, Cumbria, UK**

***In Loving Memory Of***

***Evelyn Ruth Lushbough***

***Born***

December 23, 1917  
Faith, South Dakota

***Died***

December 26, 2011  
Sturgis, South Dakota

***Memorial Service***

Friday, January 6, 2012, at 1:30 p.m.  
Kinkade Funeral Chapel

***Officiating***

Rev. David Baer

***Musical Selections***

"Holes In The Floor Of Heaven"  
"Peace In The Valley"  
"Swing Down Sweet Chariot"

***Inurnment***

Bear Butte Cemetery  
Sturgis, South Dakota

*The family invites everyone to a time of fellowship and lunch  
at the Church of Christ following the committal service.  
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*