

Alva Lucille Stone

Alva was born December 29, 1930, to Tommy and Thekla "Brown" Olson in Sturgis, SD. She grew up on a ranch by Maurine, SD, and attended country schools in Meade and Perkins counties. Her mom taught her the first seven years of her schooling. She graduated from Sturgis High School in 1948. Following graduation, she attended the Western Union School in Crawfordsville, IN. Upon graduation, she was employed as a relief manager for Western Union, covering a five state area.

Alva married John Lekberg in 1952 and one son, Michael, was born in 1953. They later divorced and she married Roger Stone in 1963. One son, Norman, was born in 1964.

Alva started working at the Sturgis Community Hospital as a receptionist and admissions clerk in 1959. She worked in various departments of the hospital and in 1967 was appointed the Assistant Administrator, a position she held until 1981 when she accepted Human Resource Director. She retired in 1994 after 34 and one half years.

Alva and Roger enjoyed dancing, camping and playing cards with friends and family after retirement. They also enjoyed taking bus tours within the US and Canada. She also enjoyed working crossword puzzles, doing ceramics, decorating and tending her flower beds.

She was a past member of the First Presbyterian Church in Sturgis.

They sold their home in Sturgis in 2001 and moved to Sioux Falls, SD, so they could spend time with family and their little granddaughter, Tatum. They were able to babysit their granddaughter and as she grew older, attend her sports and school activities. Needless to say, they enjoyed every minute being able to be with her and spoil her! In 2011, they decided to move back to Rapid City and the Black Hills to be closer to family and friends.

Alva Lucille Stone, 84, Rapid City, died Friday, September 25, 2015, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include her sons, Michael (Steve Linman) Lekberg, Fruitdale, SD, and Norman (Juli) Stone, Sioux Falls, SD; granddaughters, Tatum Stone, Sioux Falls, Whitney (Brent) Schuettepelz, Denver, CO, Mallory Parks, Sioux Falls, and Morgan (Austin) Haberer, Sioux Falls; half-sister, Edyth Olson, Sturgis; and special nephews, Kevin Hull and Butch (Ergo) Hull, Rapid City.

Preceding her in death were her parents and her sister, Ida Hull.

A memorial has been established to the Wounded Warrior Project.

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



***Death leaves a heartache no one can heal,
but love leaves a memory no one can steal.***

In Loving Memory of



Alva Lucille Stone

1930 ~ 2015



A Letter From Heaven

*When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not here to see,
If the sun should rise and find your eyes, filled with tears for me.*

*I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today,
While thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say.*

*I know how much you love me, as much as I love you,
And each time you think of me, I know you'll miss me too.*

*But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand,
That an angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand.*

*And said my place was ready, in heaven far above,
And that I'd have to leave behind, all those I dearly love.*

*So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart,
For everytime you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.*

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Born

December 29, 1930
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Died

September 25, 2015
Rapid City, South Dakota

Memorial Service

Tuesday, September 29, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.
Kinkade Funeral Chapel
Sturgis, South Dakota

Officiant

Pastor Herbert Cleveland

Organist

Marlene Kotab

Singers

Myron Volk ~ Steve Linman

Musical Selections

"The Wind Beneath My Wings" ~ "One Day At A Time"
"How Great Thou Art"

Urn Bearers

Dean Harmon ~ Jake Keffeler ~ Ron Jarvis
Butch Hull ~ Kevin Hull ~ Dustin Hull

Inurnment

Black Hills National Cemetery at 1:30 p.m.
Sturgis, South Dakota

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