

Audrey Anne (Bentz) Friedel was born May 12, 1938, to John and Rosa Bentz in Belle Fourche, SD, and was the youngest of five children, siblings, John, Naida (Keiry), Laurence, and Faye (Allen).

Audrey attended school at the nearby Riverside country school close to the home place east of Nisland and later attended high school in Belle Fourche. During school, she met, James Friedel, and they would eventually marry and settle on a farm in the Arpan area. Here they would raise four children, Rose Anne (Sulzbach), Karen (Jensen), Dan, and Dean.

During Audrey's time on the farm, she busied herself with raising children, gardening, chores, which included milking the cows. She was involved in the local 4H Club, extension and craft clubs, enjoyed quilting and having coffee with the neighbors.

Audrey loved the role of grandma, great-grandma, and great-great-grandma: being very fond of all her family. Many of her friends were considered family as well.

During the early 90's, the farm was sold, and home became Fruitdale where the Friedel's lived for 30 years. Unable to remain at home the past year, Audrey moved to an apartment in Spearfish, with the last few weeks in an assisted living facility where the level of care and comfort Audrey needed was given before making the journey home.

Audrey passed peacefully on May 30, 2022, at the age of 84.

Audrey is survived by four children: Rose Anne (Joe) Sulzbach, Karen (the late Jim) Jensen, Dan Friedel, and Dean (Shari) Friedel; nine grandchildren; twenty-three great-grandchildren (one on the way); four great-great-grandchildren (one on the way); sister, Naida; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Audrey was preceded in death by her husband, James; parents, John and Rosa Bentz; brothers, John, and Laurence; and sister, Faye.

Audrey will be remembered as caring, loving and having a way of touching the hearts of all who knew her.

A memorial has been established to the Child Evangelism Fund or St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

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

A Mother holds her children's hands for a while. . . .

Their hearts forever.

We thank you for your presence and condolences.

In Loving Memory Of



Audrey Ann Friedel
May 12, 1938 ~ May 30, 2022



A Quilter

By Larry Howland, Elsie, Michigan

*A quilter brings us comfort
On the chilliest of nights,
With unseen hands she tucks us in
And softly dims the lights.*

*What many others throw away,
She knows that she can use.
She brings together every square,
Arranging varied hues.*

*With simple needle and mere thread,
And batts without a form,
She sews each piece with tender love
To keep us snug and warm.*

*The Lord has helped her understand
The value of things old.
She swaddles us in memories,
Each precious to behold.*

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Audrey Ann Friedel

Born

May 12, 1938
Belle Fourche, South Dakota

Died

May 30, 2022
Spearfish, South Dakota

Memorial Service

Saturday, June 18, 2022, at 10:30 a.m.
Nisland Independent Community Church
Nisland, South Dakota

Officiant

Pastor Chris Jones

Musicians

Faith Shuck Andrew DeWitt

Musical Selections

“What a Friend We have in Jesus”
“Heaven is My Home”
“The Doxology”
“I’ll Fly Away”