

## *June (Keller) Kosola*

June was born October 4, 1935 in Sturgis, to William “Willie” and Ellen (Wilcox) Keller, the oldest of three children. She grew up mostly in Newell. She married Marvin Kosola on May 15, 1952 and shortly thereafter Marvin went overseas to serve in the Korean War. When Marvin went overseas, June lived in Newell with her parents. After Marvin’s discharge from the service, they worked on various farms in the Newell area until Marvin went to work at the Ft, Meade VA Hospital.

June raised four children, Ronald (Lorna) of Gillette, WY, Carol (Myron) of Fairpoint, David (Mary Jo) of Vale, and Rose (Bob) of Newell. She helped with Marvin’s big garden and greenhouse, selling bedding plants, tomatoes, cucumbers, and melons. June was an adept canner, putting up all kinds of pickles and lots of tomatoes. She also worked a number of part time jobs at various times in Newell, her favorite being as a ‘grandmother helper’ in preschool. June loved company and the coffee was always on! She loved to cook and have relatives and friends in for a big ‘doings’ during holidays. For many years her house was the destination for an evening meal following Newell’s Labor Day rodeo.

June loved going through her numerous cookbooks looking for new recipes to try. A gift of cookbooks were a special treat. Children were a special delight and she had done daycare over the years for different folks, always enjoying caring for and guiding children. In later years she discovered a love of coloring pictures with colored pencils and gave many of the finished products to friends and relatives.

June passed on to her heavenly home May 9, 2025 in Spearfish. She was predeceased by her parents, her loving husband, and her two siblings, Ben and Darlene. June is survived by her four children, twelve grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren, and one sister-in-law, Eleanor Keller. She was well loved and will be greatly missed!

In lieu of flowers a memorial has been established to Newell Evangelical Church.

Condolences maybe sent to the family at [www.kinkadefunerals.com](http://www.kinkadefunerals.com).

*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and a meal  
at the church, following the service.  
Thank you for your presence and condolences.*

# *In Loving Memory*



*June Delores Kosola*

*October 4, 1935 ~ May 9, 2025*





*God saw she was getting tired  
and a cure was not to be  
So He put His arms around her  
and whispered "come to Me."  
With tearful eyes we watched her suffer  
and saw her fade away  
Although we loved her dearly  
We could not make her stay.  
A golden heart stopped beating  
Hardworking hands to rest  
God broke our hearts to prove to us  
He takes the very best.*



*In Loving Memory Of  
June Delores Kosola*

*Born*

October 4, 1935  
Sturgis, South Dakota

*Died*

May 9, 2025  
Spearfish, South Dakota

*Funeral Service*

Thursday, May 15, 2025, 11:00 a.m.  
Newell Evangelical Church  
Newell, South Dakota

*Officiant*

Pastor Tom Martin

*Musical Selections*

"Just a Closer Walk With Thee"  
"I'll Fly Away" "Amazing Grace"

*Pallbearers*

Derek Kosola   Robbie Van Sickle   Royce Van Sickle  
Travis Ismay   Will Lambert   Jeff Dell

*Final Resting Place*

Black Hills National Cemetery  
Sturgis, South Dakota