

Luverne Lavina Cummings

Luverne Lavina LaPlante was born December 27, 1932, in White Horse, SD, to William and Mamie (Jewett) LaPlante. She attended school at Cheyenne Agency and graduated in 1950. She met and married Herbert A. Cummings on August 25, 1951, and they shared a life together for 51 years raising 13 kids. Herbert passed away in 2002.

Luverne's hobbies include playing Canasta, Bowling, Cribbage, Skipbo, and Yahtzee. Mom and Dad's house was always open for family and friends and the coffee pot was on 24/7. Countless hours were spent at the kitchen table playing Solitaire. A lot of backyard memories were made at this house. Dad and Mom enjoyed traveling to visit family and friends near or far, a lot of fishing, and camping trips were made and she always had a warm smile for all.

Luverne Lavina (LaPlante) Cummings, 88, of Sturgis died January 12, 2021, at her home in Sturgis.

Luverne is survived by her children, Michael (Melissa) Cummings, Taos, New Mexico; Dana (Juanita) Cummings, Rapid City SD; Debi Smith, Yelm, WA; Herbert A. Cummings, Sturgis, SD; Brenda (Kevin) Smith, Columbia, IL; Stuart Cummings, WA; Robert Cummings, Sturgis, SD; Mitch (Wendy) Cummings, Rapid City, SD; Emily Cavins, Fairbanks, AK; Lauren (Alan) Neiger, Black Hawk, SD; Charlene Keller, Rapid City, SD; Scott Cummings, Black Hawk, SD; and Tracy (Thomas) Tremain, Owosso, MI; brother, Allen LaPlante, Sturgis, SD; sisters, Edith Knight, Cherry Creek, SD; and Rita (John) Birkeland, Dupree, SD; sister-in-law, Barbara (Ben) Newcomb, Davenport, IA; brother-in-law, Richard Cummings, San Jose, CA; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren; and Mom's guardian angel, Kris Walker.

Luverne is preceded in death by her parents, William and Mamie (Jewett) LaPlante; spouse, Herbert A. Cummings, and a grandson, Bodhi Smith.

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

A Mother's Farewell To Her Children

***When I must leave you, for a little while,
Please do not grieve, and shed wild tears
And hug your sorrow to you through the years,
But start out bravely with a gallant smile;
And for my sake and in my name
Live on and do all things the same,
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,
But fill each waking hour in useful ways,
Reach out your hand in comfort and cheer
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near;
And never, never be afraid to die,
For I am waiting for you in the sky!***

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



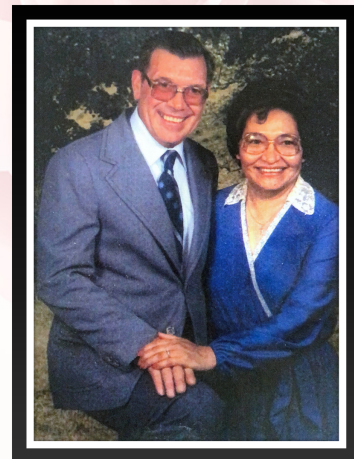
In Loving Memory

Luverne Lavina Cummings

December 27, 1932 ~ January 12, 2021

God's Garden

*God looked around his garden
and found an empty place,
He then looked down upon the earth
and saw your tired face.
He put his arms around you
and lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful
He always takes the best.
He knew you were suffering.
He knew you were in pain.
He knew that you would never
get well on earth again.
He saw the road was getting rough
and the hills were hard to climb.
He closed your weary eyelids
and whispered, "Peace be thine."
It broke our hearts to lose you,
but you didn't go alone.
Part of us went with you
the day God called you home.
All of you who have loved ones,
cherish them with tender care.
You will never know the heartaches
until they are no longer there.*



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Date of Birth

December 27, 1932
White Horse, South Dakota

Date of Death

January 12, 2021
Sturgis, South Dakota

Service

Monday, January 18, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.
St. Thomas Episcopal Church
Sturgis, South Dakota

Clergy

Reverend Bunker Hill

Songs

"The Honor Song"
"Grandma's Love"
"Go Rest High on That Mountain"

Honorary Urnbearers

All Family and Friends

Final Resting Place

At A Later Date